

USASK MICROCREDENTIALS

BE WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS

Project Overview

WHAT ARE MICRO-

**They focus on
specific skills/
competencies**

**They are
short and
flexible**

**They respond
to a labour
market need**

PROJECT OUTCOMES

- Strengthen connections with and service to industry, professions, and community
- Position Usask as a leader in this space
- Generate new revenue streams for academic units
- Create new pathways into existing degree credit programs to

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USask Context

Our micro-credentials will have meaningful connections to our into **degree-credit programs.**

Learners practice skills in a **real-world context** and get feedback on **how to improve.**

USask micro-credentials will **verify skills.** Assessment isn't based on participation or attendance.



Progress to Date

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Team

- Working group established
- MC Program Coordinator Hired
- Educational Developer Hired
- Marketing and Communications Officer Hired

Pilot Projects

- Pilot MC parameters developed
- Decision to pilot MC's made
- Pilot MC development
- First pilot offered
- Evaluation
- Second pilot offered

MC Framework

- Draft framework
- Extensive consultation on framework
- Guidelines developed
- Guidelines put forward for approval

Software

- Destiny One implementation
- E-portfolio project
- Badging software project

A MICRO-CREDENTIAL STORY



The Potential of Micro-credentials



Critical Success Factors



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Next Steps

