



Thank you for your interest in joining the Canadian Centre for Health and Safety Ergonomics Lab. As you likely know, graduate work is quite an undertaking so it is important to have a good match between student, supervisor, and lab. If you'd like to pursue a degree at the University of Saskatchewan within the Ergonomics Lab, please state a **specific degree program** offered at the University of Saskatchewan and demonstrate that you know something about their requirements and deadlines. Note that Dr. Trask does not typically accept PhD students, but instead accepts students in for a Masters degree. If their performance is sufficient in the first year, they may transfer to the PhD program at that time.

The Ergonomics Lab is seeking outstanding scholars who demonstrate a strong interest in, and understanding of, occupational health and ergonomics, and musculoskeletal health.

As part of your request for a supervisor, please include the following:

- 1) Specific degree program offered by the University of Saskatchewan
- 2) An academic **CV** that includes any publications or presentations
- 3) The names of 3 academic **references**
- 4) A short (<500 words) **proposal** outlining the type of study you would like to do for your degree. This does not have to be the project that you actually do for you degree, but this proposal will be evaluated against a few criteria:
 - a) Are you proposing a topic that fits with the [ErgoLab](#) mandate? Show me that you have read the website and know about what would fit in with our existing projects.
 - b) Do you demonstrate some knowledge, insight, research, and personal interest in this topic?
 - c) Is your research question logical, well-rationalized, and appropriate for the health sciences (or specified degree program)?
 - d) Is the project feasible for the timeline of your degree?
 - e) Is the proposal clearly written and understandable, and adhere to conventions for written English language?

Submitting a request this is not a guarantee that you will be admitted, but I will commit to thoroughly reviewing your application. All supervisor requests can be sent by email to:

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