Welcome...

a few things to note before we begin:

- -Grab a handout
- -if you are a SHSM student, attending this session counts as a Reach Ahead (you will need to self-report using the Google Form on the SHSM Google Classroom)
- -These slides will be shared on the Maple Guidance Information Grade 12 Google Classroom (ibmsbr3) and on the Maple HS Guidance webpage

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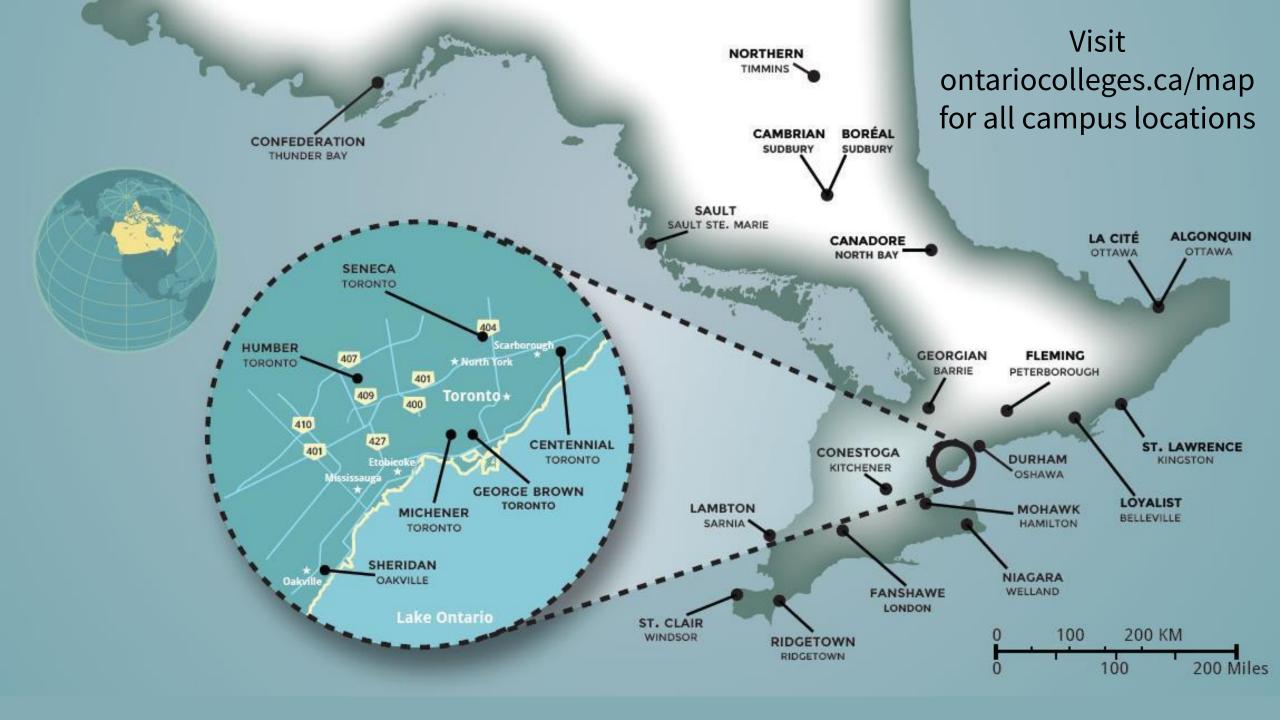


Ontario College Application User Guide

2023 / 2024

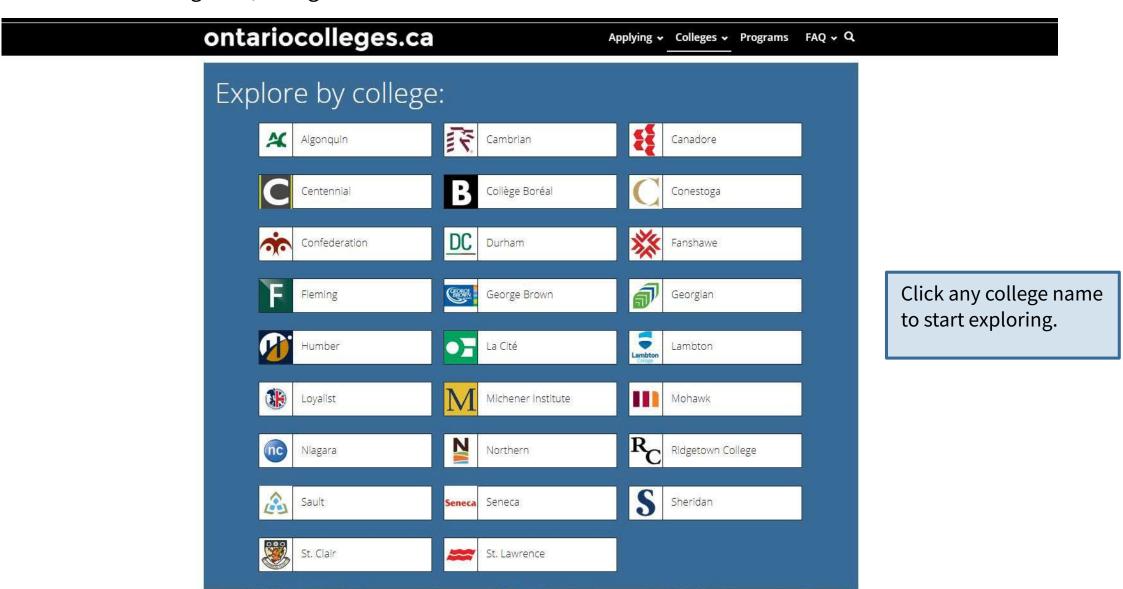
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Centennial College: See Where Experience Takes You

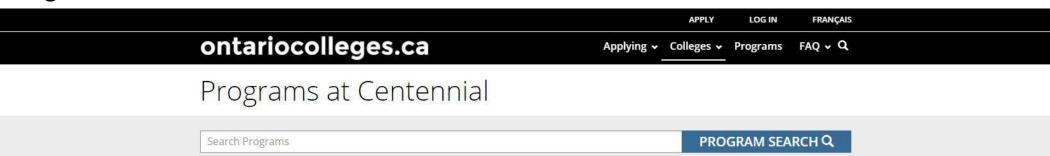
When Centennial College was founded as Ontario's first public college in 1966, it focused on preparing students for burgeoning new careers in business, communications and social services. Rapidly expanding public services such as recreation and child care needed new kinds of practitioners, and the college emphasized careers that were geared to the local economy. By contrast, today's Centennial College is an integral part of the global economy. With 7,000 international students enrolled at its Toronto campuses, Centennial has become a cosmopolitan learning destination that transcends borders and brings tangible benefits to all who learn here.

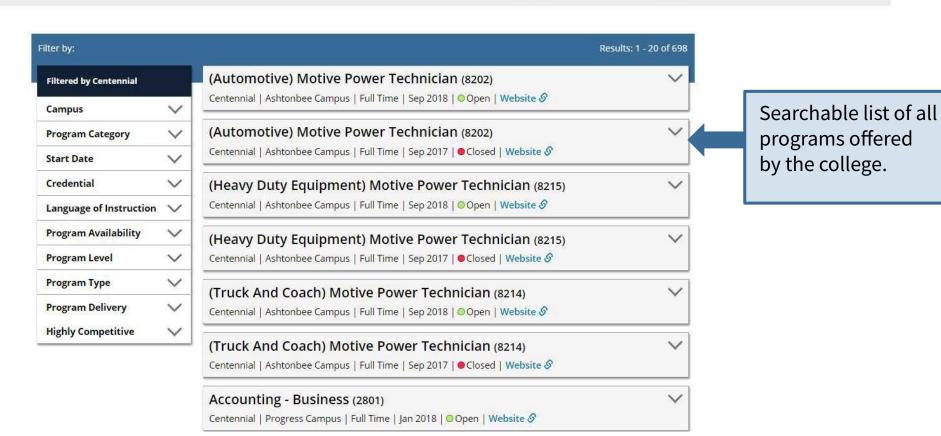
Learning should be visceral, imaginative, liberating and empowering. At Centennial, it is. Graduates are prepared to do meaningful work and lead meaningful lives. Students are given significant opportunities to engage, both locally and internationally. Volunteer experiences through our Global Citizenship and Equity Service Learning Experiences (GCELE) dispatch students to distant lands, including Peru, South Korea and Kenya, to perform service learning in rural and often remote communities. Our award-winning approach to teaching

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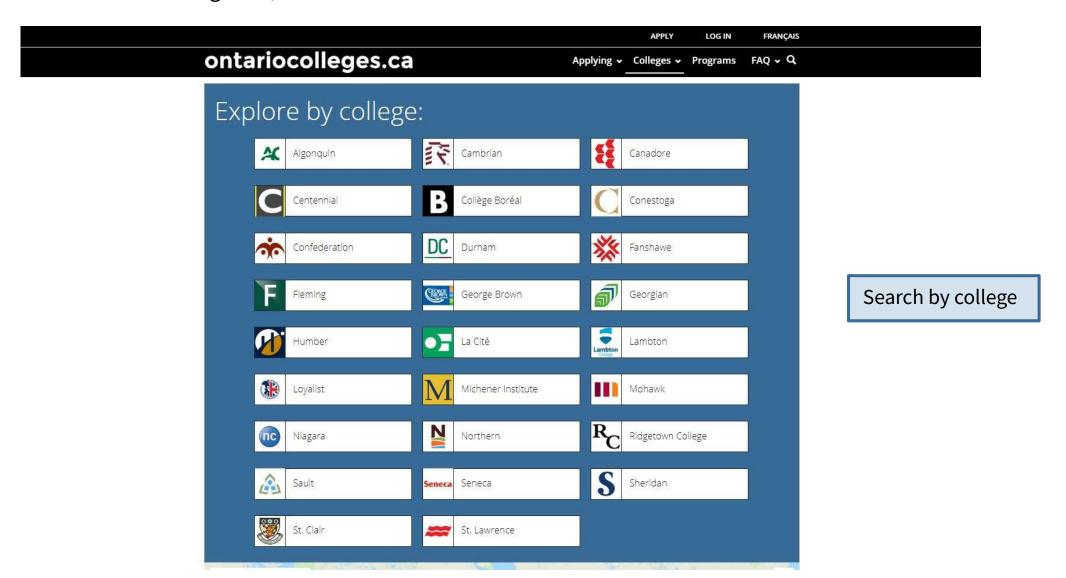
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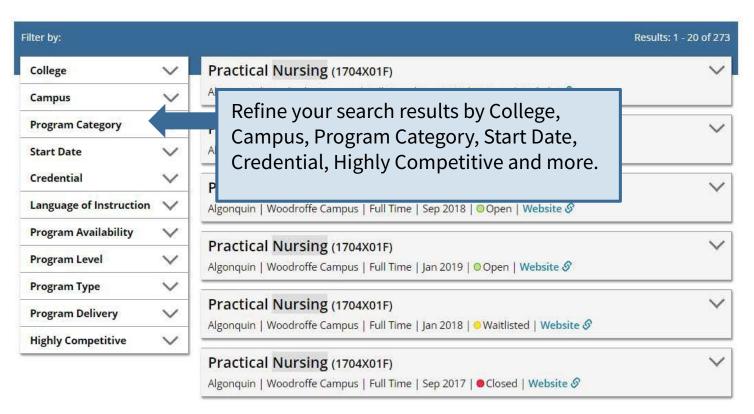
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Refine Your Search





Attend College Events

Ontario College Fair (OCF)

The Ontario College Fair is an in-person event that brings together all Ontario Colleges in one location. You can meet with college representatives to gather information about programs, campuses, and admission requirements. You can even learn how to apply to college from the event.

The Ontario College Fair is a great place to start exploring all that college has to offer.

The Ontario College Fair will happen on October 18-19 this Fall. For more info, visit https://ontariocollegefair.ca/

College Open Houses

The colleges host Open House events every fall and spring. To find out when they're happening, check out the Maple Grads 2023 Google Classroom.

Upcoming Events:

- o **October 1, 2023** from 2-6 p.m. *Study and Go Abroad Fair* Metro Toronto Convention Centre
- October 18, 2023 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and October 19, 2023 from 9 a.m.
 to 2 p.m. Ontario Colleges Fair Enercare Centre
- November 3, 2023 Post-secondary Fair, Stephen Lewis Secondary School,
 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- November 15 and 16, 2023 Level Up Apprenticeship Fair, International Centre (Mississauga, ON)
- November 18, 2023 from 12:00-5:00 p.m. Student Life Expo Metro
 Toronto Convention Centre

*other YRDSB events can be found here



Prepare To Apply

NOTE: These instructions are for domestic applications (Canadian Citizens and Permanent residents). If you are an International Student or Convention Refugee, you will need to apply to each school separately. We have posted instructions to the 5 GTA schools on our Maple High School Guidance Webpage to help you. If you have questions, please contact you guidance counsellor.

Important Dates

Late September-Early October 2023: Online Application Opens

2023 / 2024 application opens at ontariocolleges.ca.

November 1, 2023: Earliest Offer Date for non-competitive programs

November 1st is the first day that colleges may begin sending offers of admission.

February 1, 2024: Equal Consideration Date

Applications received and paid for on or before this date are considered equally by the colleges. It is critical to apply to
highly competitive programs by this date. Applications are still processed after this date, but are considered on a first-come,
first-served basis by the colleges.

February 1, 2024: Earliest Offer Date for competitive programs

• February 1st is also the first day that colleges **may** begin sending offers of admission. Colleges continue to offer admissions until programs are filled.

May 1, 2024: Confirmation Deadline

• Most offers of admission must be confirmed by this date. The colleges will determine the due date to confirm offers made after May 1. Check your offer package to find out the expiry date of your offer of admission.

Mid-June 2024: Tuition Deposit Due

• The colleges require payment of a tuition deposit in mid-June to secure your spot in your program. Each college sets its own tuition deposit amount and payment deadline. This information will be communicated to you by the college.

^{*} Please note that the above dates apply to programs beginning in the fall of 2024. Contact the colleges for deadlines for other start dates.

Important Info About the Application

- The application processing fee is \$125 (non-refundable).
- There may be additional fees
- An application allows you up to 5 program choices, with no more than 3 at any one college.
- All program choices must start within the same academic year (August July).
- Your username is **permanent**. It will not change if you update your contact email address.
- Your password must be between 8 and 14 characters in length.
- DO NOT create more than one account.
- Some information will be automatically added to your account based on the information you provided when creating your account.
- You cannot change your first name, last name, date of birth, OEN number or academic data. To make changes to your personal information, contact ontariocolleges.ca. If there are problems with your grades, talk to your guidance counsellor.
- The online application works best in the following browsers: Internet Explorer 9, 10 & 11, Firefox latest version, Chrome latest version, Safari 7+ & iOS 7+.
- The ontariocolleges.ca mobile app works best on Android and iOS smartphones.

Important Info About the Application

Email Address

Provide a valid email address

- ontariocolleges.ca uses email to communicate important information about your application, account activation, and username / password recovery.
- The colleges use email to communicate with you about your application and offers of admission.
- Update your email address in the Contact Information section of the online application if it changes.

Check your email regularly

- Check your junk / spam folder.
- Add <u>noreply@ontariocolleges.ca</u> to your safe senders list.

Privacy Statement

Review our complete Privacy Statement

- It explains how we use the information provided as part of your college application.
- A link to the Privacy Statement is located in the footer of the ontariocolleges.ca website and within the online application.

Your ontariocolleges.ca Account

Your ontariocolleges.ca account allows you to:

- Apply to any of Ontario's 26 public colleges.
- Review and update your college application.
- Request Ontario high school transcripts (from participating schools).

Note: Grades for most current high school students are sent automatically by your high school.

- Request Ontario college / university transcripts.
- View and accept offers of admission.

To complete your application, you'll need:

- Your complete home mailing address, including your postal code
- Your Ontario Education Number (OEN) and Student Number, found on your high school report card or transcript

New this year...

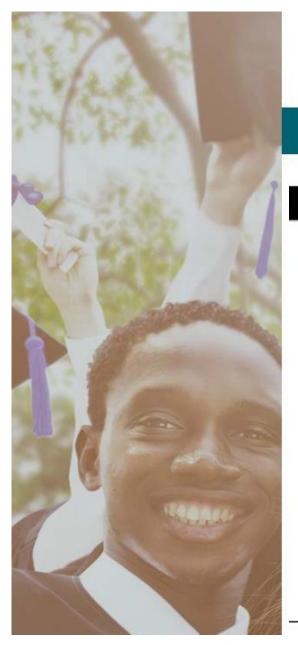
- Applicant diversity census The application will include a new census with four diversity-based questions to support the colleges in fulfilling their equity, diversity, and inclusivity goals. The census is voluntary, and applicants can indicate that they prefer not to answer.
- **New military connection question** The application will also include a new question that asks applicants if they have a military connection (e.g., currently in serving regular or reserve force, veteran, or an immediate family of any of these groups).

Go to the **ontariocolleges.ca** website



Apply

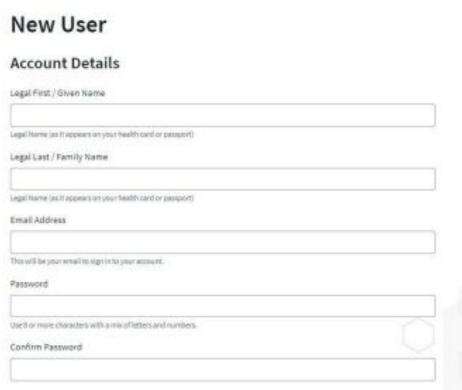


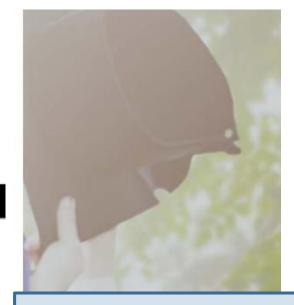


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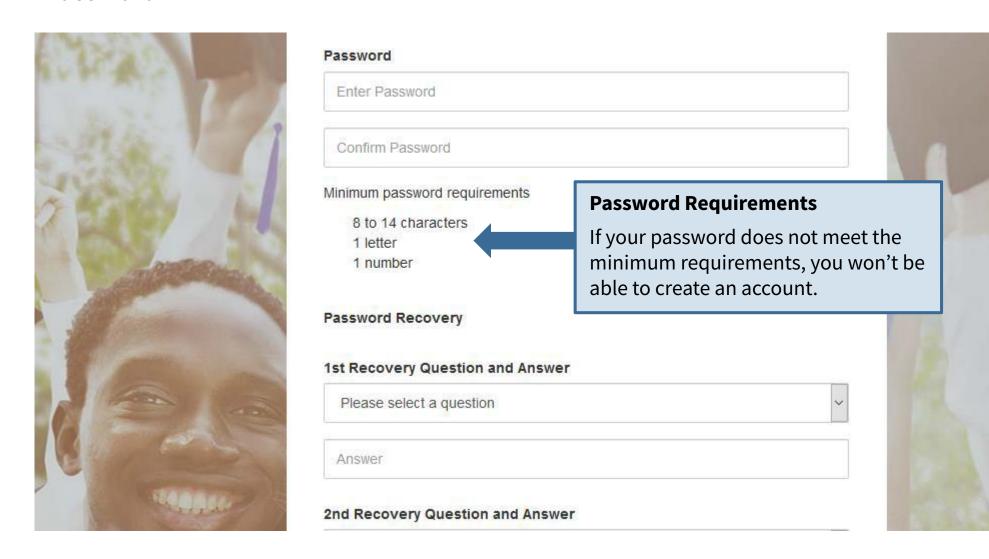
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You can only make changes to your first name, last name and date of birth by contacting ontariocolleges.ca.

Please provide a valid email address.

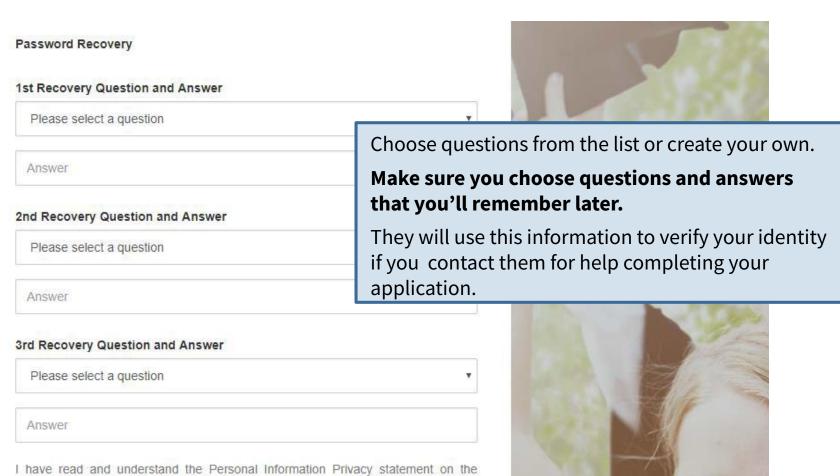
ontariocolleges.ca and the colleges will use it to communicate important information about your application.

Password



Password Recovery Questions





ontariocolleges.ca / OCAS website and hereby authorize OCAS Application Services Inc. (OCAS) to collect, use and disclose my academic and registration information in

accordance with the purposes set out in such statement.

Activate Your Account

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APPLY TODAY. CHANGE TOMORROW.

Account Created!

In order to access your application you must first activate your account. Your account information and an activation link have been sent to your email address (sarahstudent@mailinator.com).

An account activation email will be sent to the email address you entered when you created your account. Click the link in the email to activate your account.



Successful Account Activation



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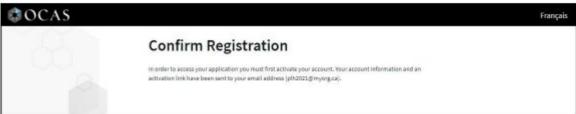
CONGRATULATIONS!

Your account sarahstudent@mailinator.com has been activated successfully.

Log In

Once your account has been activated successfully, click the button to log in to your account.

You will receive an account activation email message; it will be sent to the address that you used when you created the account.



Go to ontariocolleges.ca and select **Log in**.

Log into Your Account



On the Log In page, on the Canadian Applicants card, select Log In.



Log in using the username (your email address) and password you created during account sign up.

Forgot your username or password? Click the 'More Info' link to recover them.

New Applicant Page



On the New Applicant Page, enter your date of birth.

IMPORTANT - be sure to enter your date of birth correctly; once it is saved you cannot change it. To get it corrected you must contact the Customer Contact Centre

If you would like, you can also add middle names

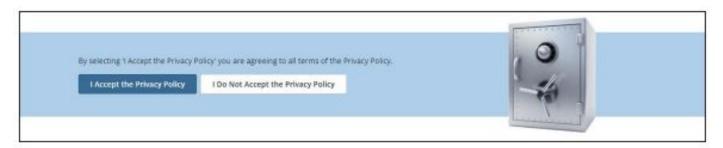
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On first login only, you will be asked to review and accept our Privacy Statement.

If you do not accept the Privacy Statement, you will not be able to complete your college application.



When you've finished reading the statement, select I Accept the Privacy Policy. If you do not accept the Privacy Statement, you will not be able to complete your college application.



IMPORTANT: Be sure to review the complete Privacy Statement. It explains how we use the information that you provided as part of your college application.

Email Communications



On first login only, you will be asked to review and accept "Email Communications".

Check the boxes to receive emails and click **Submit**.

Complete Your Profile

Add Personal Information

Start by adding personal details, such as your first language, mailing address, and status in Canada.

Note: You cannot change your Legal last name, Legal first name, and date of birth. If any of these must be corrected, contact the <u>Customer Contact Centre</u>.





Select a **Gender Identity**, your **First Language**, and indicate whether your parents or guardians attended post-secondary schools.



Mailing Address and Citizenship & Residency



Start typing your mailing address and select it from the list.

If your address isn't in the list, you can enter it manually.

In the Citizenship & Residency section, provide the required information.



If you select a **Country of Citizenship** other than Canada, you must also indicate your **Status in Canada**. Select one of the items in the list.

Depending on the status that you select, you might see a message with additional instructions.

Your Profile

Select Save & Continue.

Your contact details are displayed in the Your Profile page, on the Personal Information card.

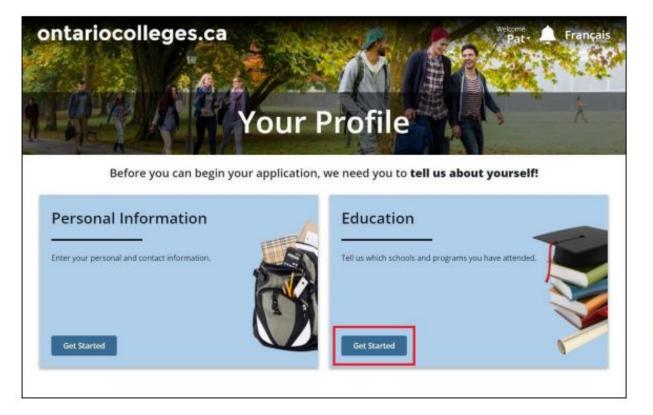


Add Your Education

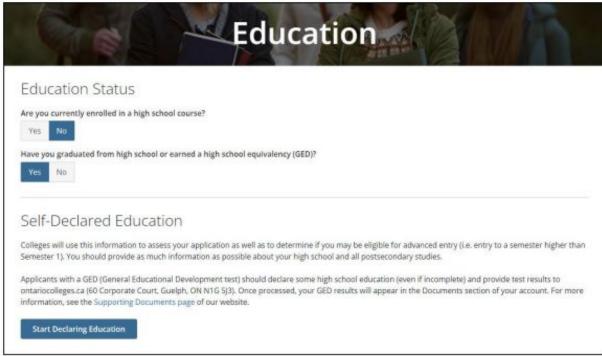
We encourage you to add all the high school and post-secondary education that you've taken.

Note: If the application fee is unpaid, you can delete an education record from your profile. After the fee is paid, you can only make some changes, such as dates attended. If you need to make other corrections, contact our <u>Customer Contact Centre</u>.

On the Your Profile page, on the Education card, select Get Started.



The Education page opens.



Under Education Status, select your answer for each question:

Are you currently enrolled in a high school course?

Have you graduated from high school or earned a high school equivalency?

To add your education, select Start Declaring Education.

You can add details about the following types of education.

Add an Ontario High School

On the Education page, select Start Declaring Education.

On the **New Education** page, in the **Type of Education**, list, select **Canadian High School Education**.



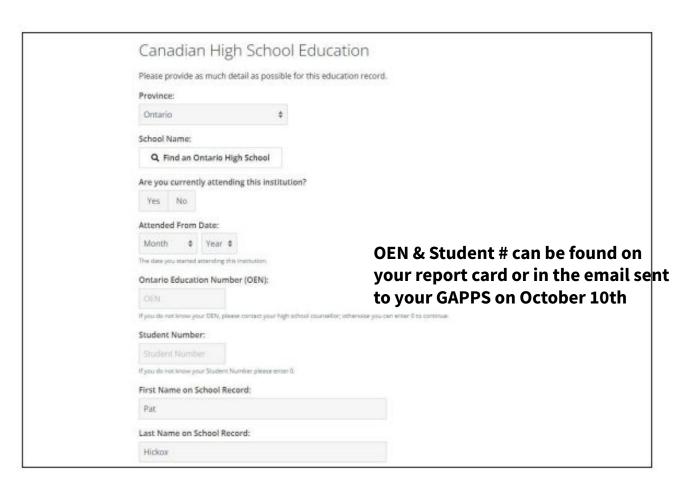
In the Province list, select Ontario.

Select Find an Ontario High School.



Search for the school. In the results, Select the school.

IMPORTANT: Make sure that you select the correct school. If you choose the wrong school, any transcript requests you make later in the application process might fail.

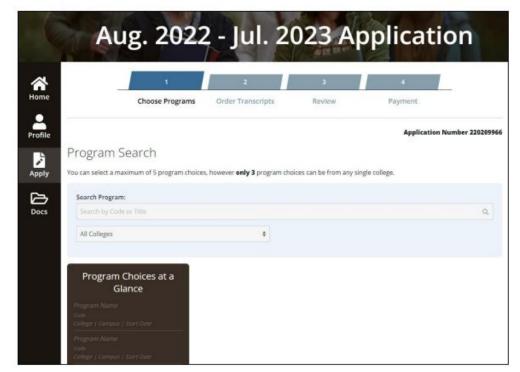


Your Dashboard - adding Program Choices

Here's what our example applicant's dashboard looks like:



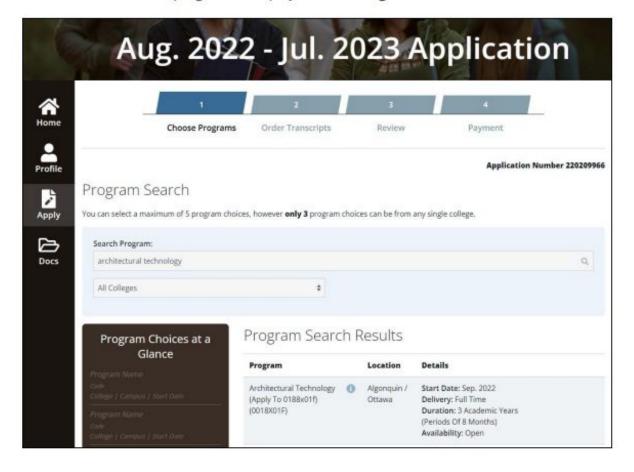
The application page opens. You can see that you are on the first of four steps in the process.



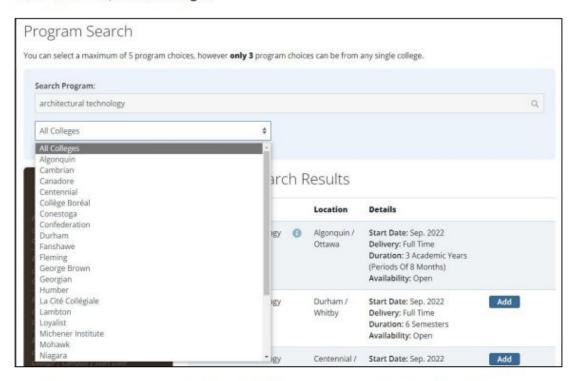
Adding Program Choices

In the **Search Program** field, enter the program name (or a part of the name.) For example: **architectural technology**.

A list of all the available programs is displayed under Program Search Results.



To refine the list, select a college.



To add a program to your application, find the program in the list and select Add.

Repeat the steps to find and add other programs.

In the example, the applicant selected Sheridan, Mohawk, and George Brown.

Remember that you can add a maximum of 5 programs, with 3 from a single college.

When you're finished choosing programs, select Save & Continue.

Note: You can come back to your application at any time and add or remove program choices.

Note: If you are **currently in high school**, you do **not** need to request your transcript. The school will send us your grades. If you do not see your grades in the **Docs** section of **Your Dashboard**, contact your guidance counsellor.

Review your application

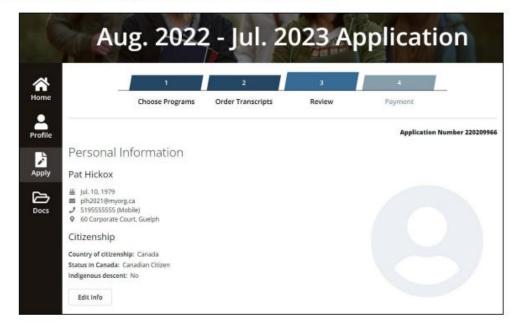
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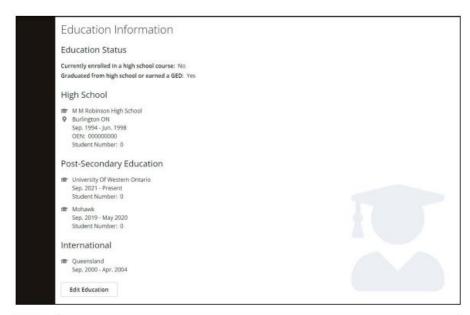
At this point, you've added your personal and education information, chosen a least one college program, and requested transcripts.

On the **Review** page, you can see all the information in a single view. Take time to really review the information and make sure that it is complete.

- Did you forget some education that you want to include?
- Do you want to add another program choice?
- Do you need to request another transcript?

Here's what the Review page looks like for our example applicant.







Review the information in each section. If you need to make changes, select Edit.

The corresponding page opens where you can make the required updates.

Once the information is accurate and complete, select the I confirm check box.

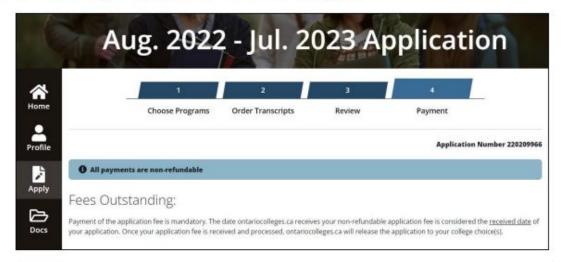
Select Continue to Payment.

Payment

Before we can begin to process your application, you must pay the Application Fee and any transcriptrelated fees.

The **Payment** page, the final step in creating an application, shows you a list of the programs you chose, the transcripts that you requested, and the associated fees.

Here's what the Payment page looks like for our example applicant.



Item					Amount
Application to Ontari	io Colleges - Applicatio	n Number: 220209966			\$110.00
1	Mohawk	Architectural Technology	Sep. 2022	Semester 1	
2	Sheridan	Architectural Technology	Sep. 2022	Semester 1	
3	George Brown	Architectural Technology	Sep. 2022	Semester 1	

On the **Pay by Credit Card** page, if you have a credit card or a debit card that can be used like a credit card, enter the required details.

Profile		Application Number 220209966
7	Pay by Credit Card	
Apply	Transaction Amount: \$150.65(CAD)	
183	Order ID: ORD-10025138-Y7C4J4	
Docs	Please enter the following details exactly as they appear of Do not put spaces or hyphens in the card number,	on your credit card.
	Cardholder Name	
	Full Hame	
	Card Number	
	VISA DESCRIPTO	
	Expiry Date	
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	Card Security Code	
	Press 'Process Payment' to charge your card. Only press t Payment' button will not stop the transaction from being	he button once. Using the 'Back', 'Refresh' or 'Cancel' button after you press the 'Process processed and may result in a double charge.
	Process Payment Cancel Transaction	
		ds if you are unable to complete the payment process above.
	*Note: If you do not have a credit card, check your debit of	ard. If it has a credit card logo you can use your debit card like a credit card!

Confirm that you've entered everything correctly and select Process Payment.

A payment verification message is displayed, and you will receive a confirmation email message.

If you get a message on the screen that your payment was declined, check that you entered the details correctly. If you did, and the payment still gets declined, call the bank or financial institution.

Monitor your application

It is important to periodically log in and see if there are any updates to your application; particularly if you are waiting for an offer of admission.

When you log in, Your Dashboard opens and you can see any new messages, documents, or offers.

As you can see in the example applicant's dashboard, there are three new messages.



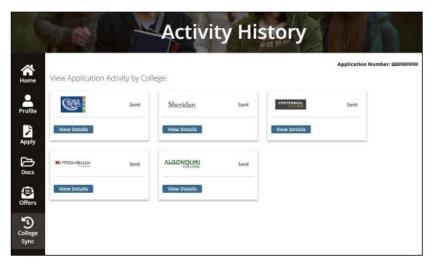
How do I know if my information was sent to the colleges?

At some point, you might wonder if your application and personal information was sent to colleges. You can quickly find out by looking at the activity history.

1. On Your Dashboard, select College Sync.

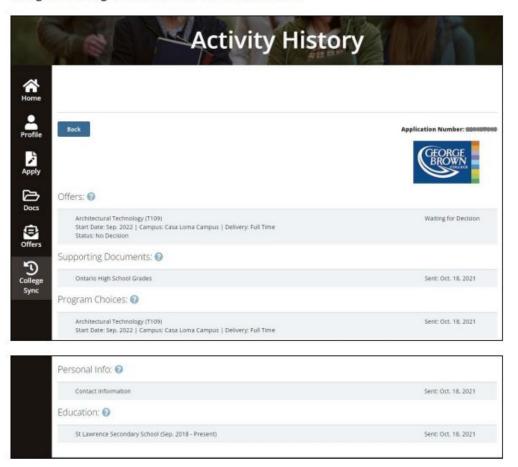


The Activity History page opens where you can see the colleges that you applied to. In the following example, each card indicates that the information was **Sent**.



2. To see the details for a specific college transmission, select the corresponding View Details.

As you can see in the example, the program choices and supporting documents were sent, and the college is awaiting a decision on their offer of admission.



3. To return to the main Activity History page, select Back.

Accepting an offer

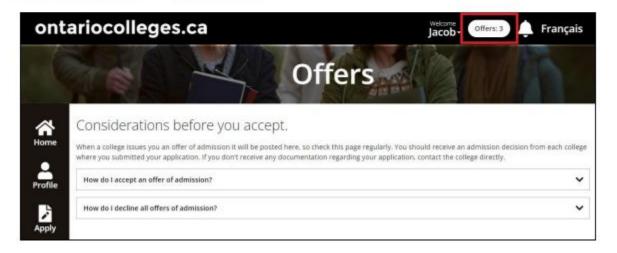
November 1 is the earliest date that colleges can start sending out offers of admission. Offers will continue to be issued until program seats are filled or waitlists are established. Log in to your account regularly to check your offers of admission.

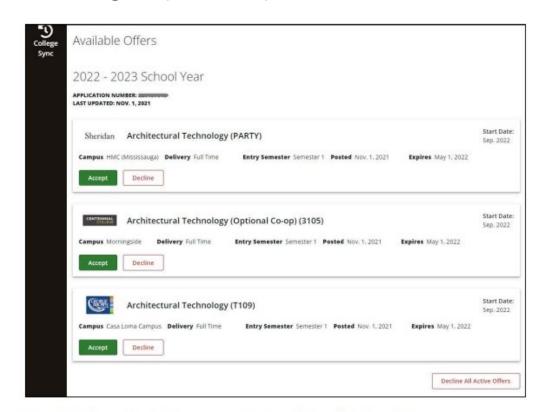
To accept an offer of admission to college:

- Log in to your ontariocolleges.ca account.
- On Your Dashboard, in the navigation pane, select Offers.

As you can see in the following example, the number of offers is displayed in the banner, and the offers are listed in the Available Offers section of the page.

Note that each offer has an Expires date.





Decide which offer of admission you want to accept, then select Accept.

Once you have accepted an offer, ontariocolleges.ca will send a confirmation email to the contact email address specified in your account profile.

The other colleges to which you have applied will receive notification of your accepted offer.

Note: You cannot defer an offer of admission. If you want to take the program at a later date, you must create a new application.

What if I change my mind?

If you applied to more than one program, you might receive more than one offer of admission.

You can accept only one offer at a time.

However, if you change your mind or receive another offer that you prefer, you can change your acceptance - as long as the offer has not expired.

When you change your acceptance, the previous acceptance is automatically declined.

Note: You can only confirm an offer once per day. If you have already confirmed an offer and change your mind later that day, you must wait until the next business day to confirm the new offer.

Declining offers

If you are accepting an offer of admission, there is no need to decline any other offers. However, if you decide not to attend any college program that you have applied for, you can decline all offers.

- 1. Log in to your ontariocolleges.ca account.
- 2. On Your Dashboard, in the navigation pane, select Offers.
- 3. At the bottom of the page, select Decline All Active Offers.

IMPORTANT: This will also decline any offer that you have already accepted.

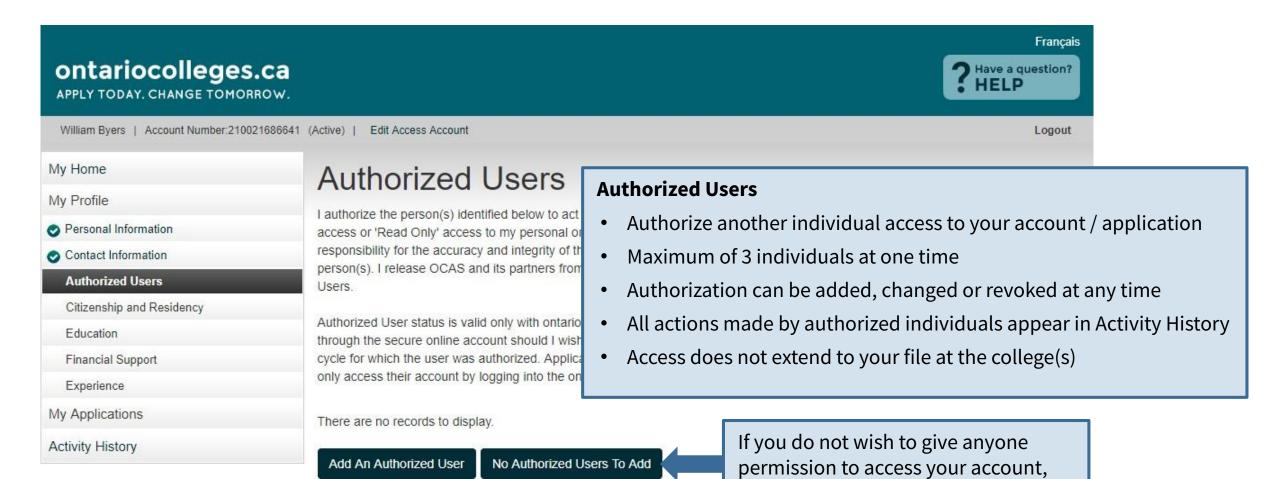
Supporting Documentation

Depending on the admission requirements of the program you are applying to, you might have to provide supporting documents as part of your application.

Here are the most commonly requested types of documents:

- Test Results (ex/ English Language Proficiency, Health Occupation Aptitude Exam (HOAE)
- Canadian Citizenship & Residency Documents
- College or Program-Specific Documents
- Other Supporting Documents (ex/ Proof of Name or Date of Birth Change)

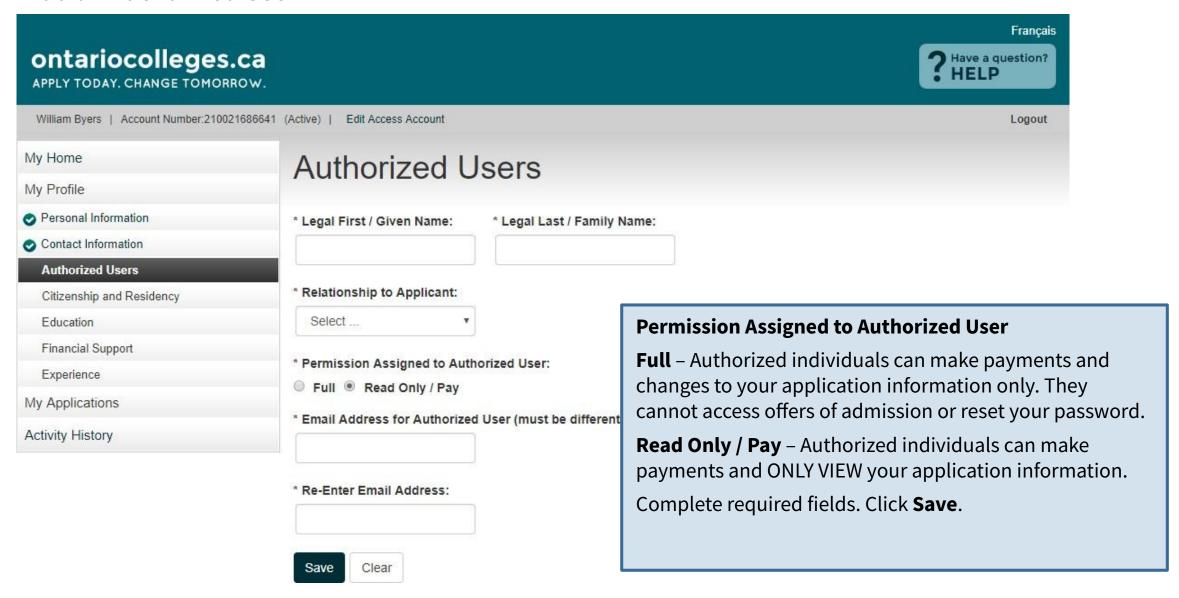
Authorized Users



click No Authorized Users to Add.

Authorized Users

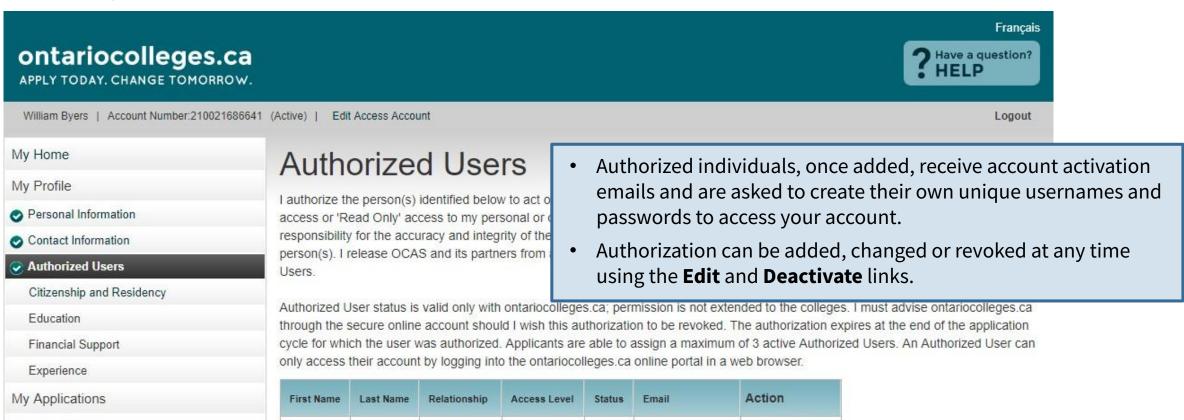
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Authorized Users

Summary

Activity History



Add An Authorized User

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Continue to Next Step

Parent/Guardian Read Only / Pay Active

When you're done adding Authorized Users, click **Continue to Next Step**.

Edit | Deactivate

joyce@mailinator.com

After You Apply – Next Steps

After You Apply

I've submitted my application. What's next?

- **Verify your grades.** If you're a current Ontario high school student, you'll need to log in to your account to verify your grades. We recommend checking the Education section after your mid-term and final marks for semesters 1 and 2 have been submitted. If you notice an error, report it your guidance counsellor.
- Update your application. If you need to make changes to your application, such as adding or removing a
 program, or update your account information, such as your address or phone number, log back in to your
 ontariocolleges.ca account. ontariocolleges.ca/en/faq#how-can-i-make-changes-to-my-application
- **Confirm your offer.** Colleges begin sending out offers on February 1. The following slides explain how to view and confirm offers of admission.
- **Apply for financial aid.** Once you've confirmed an offer, it's time to start thinking about paying for college. There are many financial aid options available to you, including OSAP, scholarships, bursaries and grants. To learn more, check out the Paying for College page: ontariocolleges.ca/colleges/paying-for-college and Maple's Paying for Post-Secondary page found here.

Apply For OSAP

Ontario Residents

Click the OSAP banner if you plan to apply to receive financial aid from OSAP (application opens in the spring).

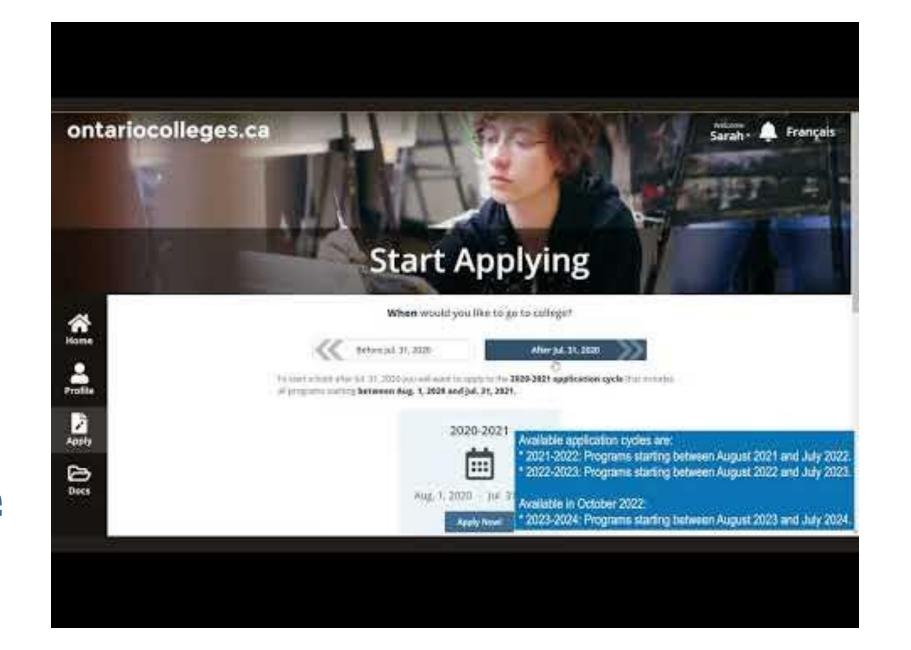
Your demographic information will be shared and already be filled out on the OSAP form based on what you entered on your college application.





OSAP account to find out how much funding you may be eligible to receive.

[VIDEO] Apply Online



Apply From Your Phone

ontariocolleges.ca Mobile App

Create an application

Log in to your application

Explore college programs

Add programs to a Favourites list



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Find it in the App Store and on Google Play





Thank you

Thank You...As always, please feel free to book a guidance appointment



Need Help?

For Application Help:

- Click FAQ to find answers to common questions
- Chat with us in real-time by clicking the **Live Chat** button on the ontariocolleges.ca website
- Email us at ask-us@ontariocolleges.ca
- Call us at 1-888-892-2228

To Correct High School Grades:

• See your guidance counsellor

For Offer of Admission Information:

• Contact the college(s) you've applied to

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