# Newmarket High School Postsecondary Pathways: University







# What you need to know



### Before you apply

Research institutions.

- Program requirements
- Admission averages
- Repeated/Failed course(s) Policy
- Alternative offer(s) of admission

Attend <u>Open Houses</u> and campus tours as needed.

### When you apply

Create an account on **OUAC**.

Submit application prior to **January 15, 2025**.

### After you apply

Complete supplementary applications as required.

Respond to offer of admission with financial commitment at earliest by **June 2, 2025**.





# Before you Apply



- SIX (6) Grade 12 U/M courses in order to apply to undergraduate programs
- Certain careers require an university degree
- University offers a more independent and theoretical approach to learning with typically
   FOUR (4) years of study
- Understand graduate program requirements (Master, Doctorate, etc.)

### To consider:

- Faculty: the department of study
- Program: the specific area of study
- **Degree**: Bachelor of Applied Science (BASc), Bachelor of Arts (BA), Bachelor of Science (BSc), Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA)





# Before you Apply -> Research

### What are you looking for?

- **Graduate Studies**: What are the recommended undergraduate programs? Do you have the prerequisites to apply to these undergraduate programs?
- **Employment**: Are you looking for paid internship opportunities and/or work study? Does the university offer employment support?
- **Financial Planning**: What scholarships and/or bursary programs are available?
- **Opportunities**: Are you looking to play varsity sports? Are you looking to pursue an exchange?
- **Student Life**: Would you prefer to commute or live on campus? What would be the financial difference? Would you prefer to live in a large city or a smaller city?





# Before you Apply - Research

### **Student Services**

- What exam accommodations are offered? What documentation may be needed?
- Is there an Indigenous Centre and/or affinity spaces?
- Are academic advising and/or career services available?
- How accessible is the campus (ie: libraries, residences, cafeteries, gyms, etc.)







# Before you Apply -





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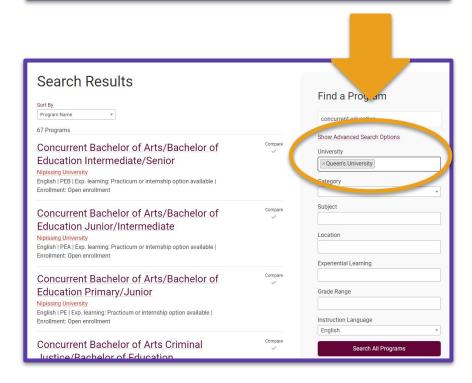




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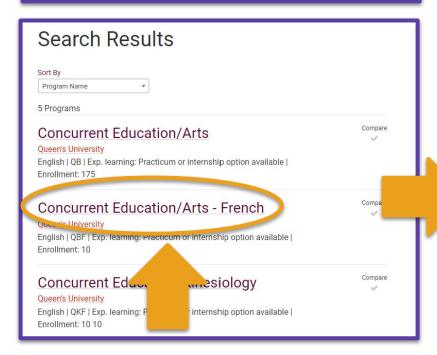
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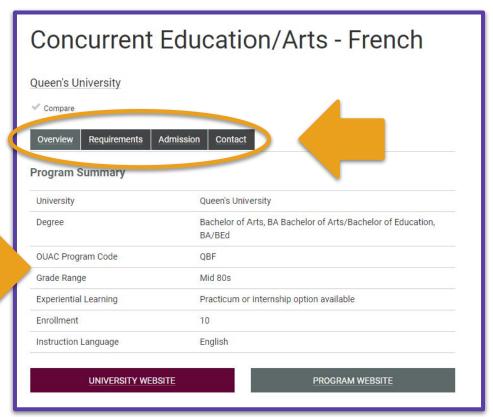






Learn about program requirements by clicking on the program name.









### Concurrent Education/Arts - French

### Queen's University

✓ Compare

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### Prerequisites

- ENG4U
- · 5 additional 4U/M courses

### IB and AP Requirements

- IB Admission Information 🛂
- AP Admission Information

### Additional Admission Criteria

A high school transcript is just 1 piece of information Queen's University uses when making an admission decision. Each applicant to Queen's has a personalized To Do List, detailing exactly what is needed to complete their application. Students can review their To Do List (and associated due dates) on their Queen's SOLUS Student Centre. Students will receive instructions for accessing SOLUS after they apply.

### Language Requirements

Applicants who meet 1 of the following criteria do not need to submit a test of facility in English:

- You completed an International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma (completion of SL English B is not sufficient).
- You lived in a country where English is the acknowledged primary language for the most recent 3 years prior to beginning your university studies.
- You attended an educational institution full-time where the medium of instruction is English for the most recent 3 years prior to beginning your university studies.

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prerequisites

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### Offers of Admission

All offers of admission made to Ontario high school students by Queen's University, prior to receiving final grades and completing the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD), are conditional. Decisions can be based on final Grade 11 results (with registration in appropriate Grade 12 courses), final first semester Grade 12 results and/or Grade 12 interim results.

### Basic Requirements for Admission

The OSSD and six 4U/M courses, mounting English 4U, are required. Please review the specific program requirements for more details, as some programs require additional courses at the U-level. Average calculation is based on prerequisite subjects, plus the next best 4U/M courses, for a total of 6 courses.

Note: The Engineering admission average is calculated using only the 5 prerequisite courses.

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### Failed and Repeated Courses

Ontario universities support un disclosure of all marks achieved in all attempts a high school course. At Queens, all undergraduate programs will use the most recent grade achieved when calculating the admission average.





# Before you Apply - Research

### **To Consider**

- Offers of admission are based on SIX (6) Grade 12 U/M courses, which includes program
  prerequisites
- Some programs have minimum course averages (e.g.: 70% in ENG4U)
- Each university calculates admission averages differently. Connect with the university to be informed about their procedures. Cut-off admission averages may differ than information posted on ONInfo.
- Offers of admission are conditional and may be rescinded once all final marks are received. Connect with the university to learn about their policy.
- \$156.00 for THREE (3) choices with additional \$50 per choice





# Before you Apply -> Visit an Open

### Why you should attend an open house? **Experience the campus**

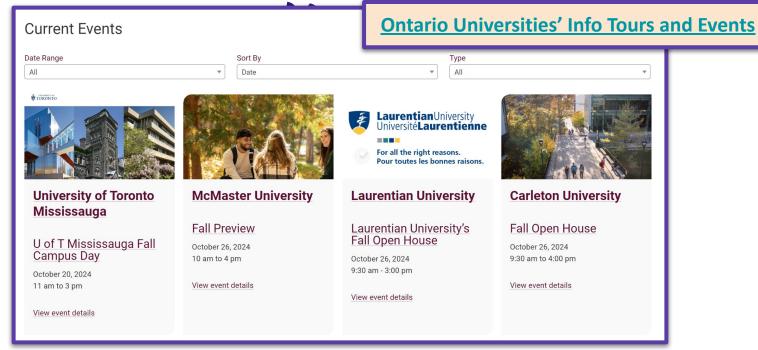
- Learn more about the programs.
- Learn about student life. Visit the residences, cafeterias, libraries, lecture halls and student centre.
- Learn about extracurricular opportunities (e.g. student clubs, intramural sports, etc.)
- Inquire about student services, work study and scholarship opportunities
- Dialogue with current students

**Ontario Universities' Info Tours and Events** 





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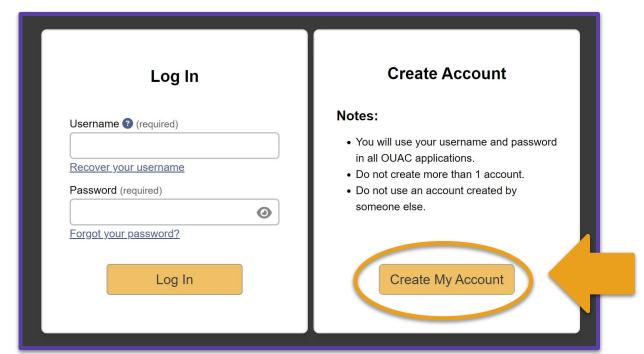


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### **How to Apply**

For more detailed instructions.

### **Group A Key Dates**

Deadline to submit is **January 15, 2025** 



OEN is on your OSS.

During the week of
October 15, students
will receive OEN and
MIDENT via GAPPS
email to support OCAS
and OUAC applications.









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You are a Group A applicant if **all** of the following are true:

 You are currently taking 1 or more courses at an Ontario high school

### and

You are under 21

### and

 You have an OSSD or are working toward an OSSD with six 4U/M courses



You are a Group B applicant if you do not meet the Group A criteria.

For example, you are:

- Not currently taking a course at an Ontario high school
- A Canadian outside of Ontario
- An international applicant
- A transfer student
- A mature applicant
- 21 or over and taking a course at an Ontario high school





## Ontario Universities' Application Centre

How to create an account

How to complete an Undergraduate Application How to edit your completed application

How to respond to an offer of admission

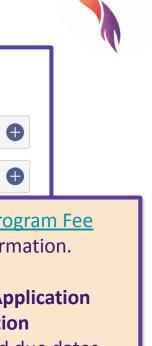






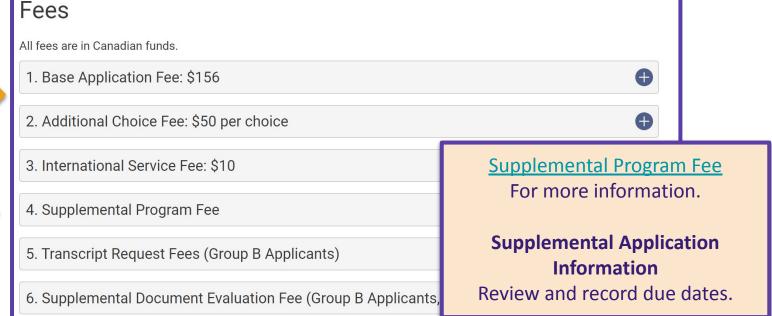














### To consider

- All final marks of completed Grade 11 and 12 courses are visible.
- List all schools you have attended (e.g. summer school, night school, private school, etc.)
- Some universities consider ranking of programs. It is suggested to list in order of preference.
- Review repeated and/or failed course policy and confirm equal standing for MOE recognized courses.
  - Some universities may accept July 2024 summer school grades by an August deadline, while others may why courses were completed outside of day school (e.g. University of Waterloo).







### To consider

- Some universities may require students who have not completed their last 3 to 4 years of high school in a country where the dominant language is English to provide a language proficiency test score. Each university has different English language requirements for the accepted tests. Some universities may offer English for Academic Purposes program for students who do not meet the English language proficiency requirement. Connect with the university to learn more.
- \$156.00 for THREE (3) choices with additional \$50 per choice
- Change programs up until January 15, 2025







### **Out of Province Applications**

- Apply directly to the university. Review requirements and deadlines.
- Some universities will access final marks through OUAC:
  - Bishop's University
  - Concordia University
  - Dalhousie University
  - McGill University
  - Simon Fraser University
  - University of British Columbia
  - University of Calgary
  - University of New Brunswick
  - University of Victoria
- Request for transcripts requires at least 1 week for processing



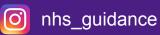




### **Applying to Schools in the United States**

- Make an appointment to review the application process with your Guidance Counsellor.
- Applications are often facilitated through <u>Common App</u>.
- Review college/university in regards to:
  - Deadlines
  - Application fees
  - Personal essay
  - Test policy
  - Recommendations
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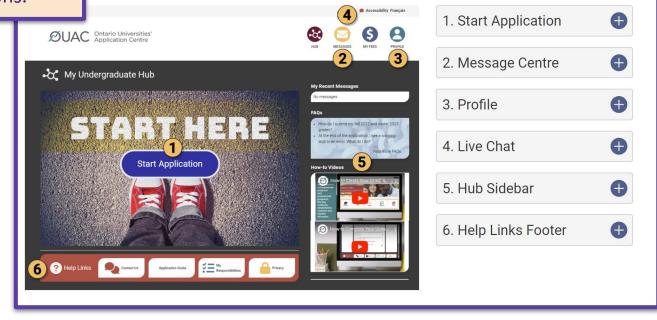


### **The Hub**

For more detailed instructions.

# After you Apply

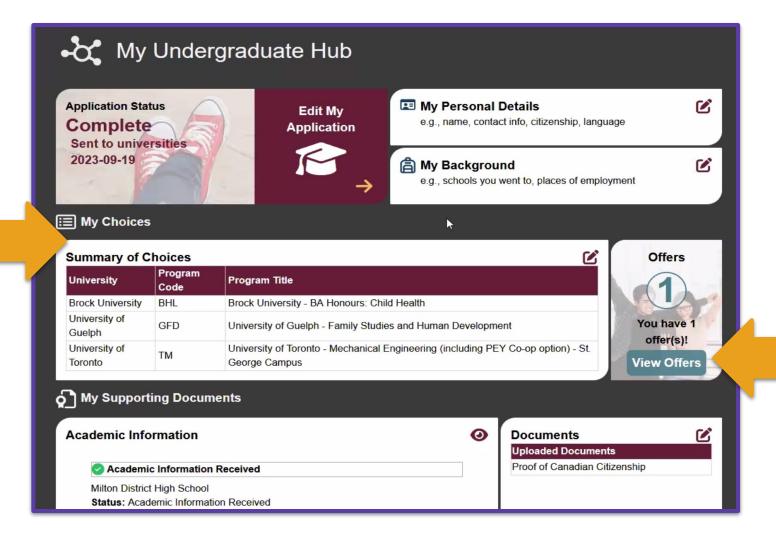








# Apple After you





### **Supplemental Applications**

Some programs may require additional application information that may include:

- A letter of reference
- An interview
- An audition
- A portfolio
- Essay questions
- Resume

You may be asked to create a separate account using the university platform. There may also be non-refundable additional costs that accompany these supplemental applications with various due dates.







### **Asking for a Letter of Reference**

Ensure you ask at least 2 to 3 weeks prior to the submission deadline. You may consider:

- Approaching a teacher who would be able to share about your academic contributions,
   your leadership experiences and/or specific achievements
- Provide details in regards to whom the letter should be addressed

### Resources

- Record of Activity
- Brag Sheet







### **Special Education**

You will need to connect with the university support centre. You may need to bring your most up-to-date IEP and psychological assessment report. You should create a transitional portfolio of important documents.

There may be accessibility/disability grants offered through OSAP to cover technology and/or assistive requirement costs.







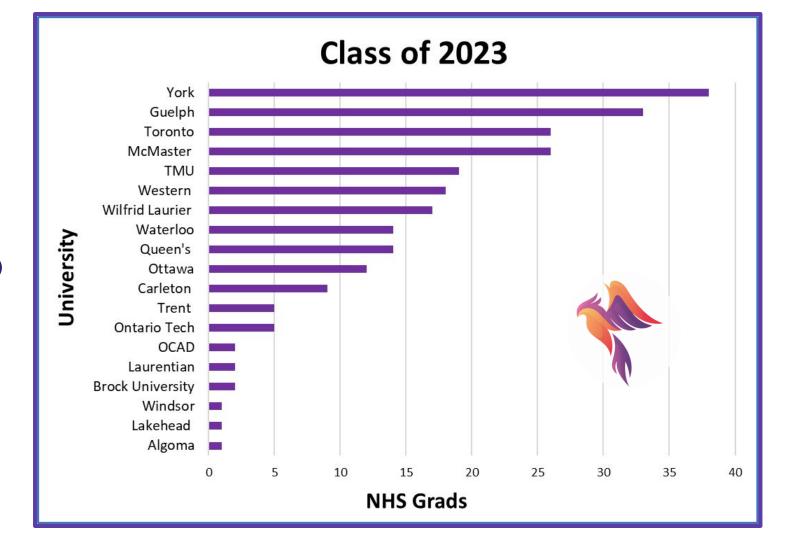
### **Financing Your Education**

- Bursaries: based on financial need
- Entrance Scholarships: admission average based
- Other Scholarships: community involvement, leadership (Grad Awards applications in April)
- Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP)
- Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)
- Work Study Programs
- Paid Internship Programs / Cooperative Education Programs

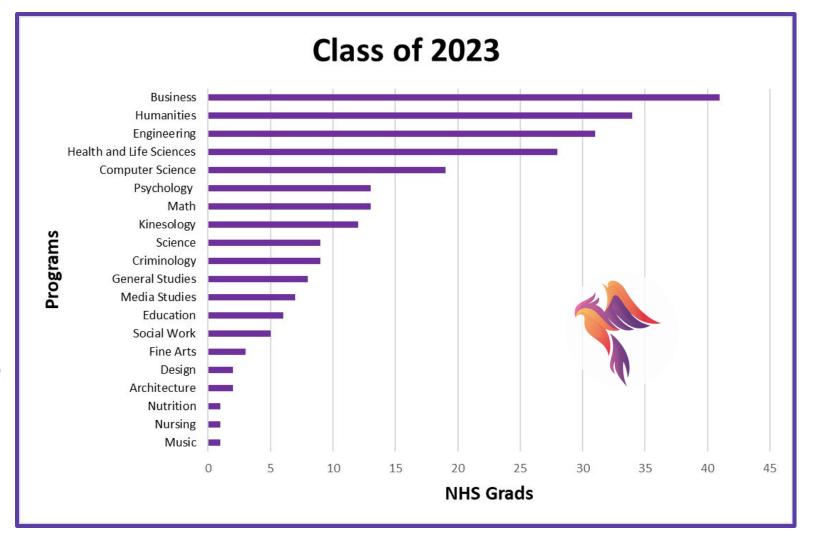




# University Choice



# Program Choice



## Important Dates



Week of October 15	OEN and MIDENT distribution to Grade 11 and 12 students via GAPPs email.
November 15, 2024	OUAC Marks Transmission Upload includes first semester midterm marks, final Grade 11 and 12 marks for quadmester courses and interim Grades for full-year courses.
November 27, 2024	Semester 1 Full Disclosure
January 15, 2025	Deadline to complete applications on OUAC
February 13, 2025	OUAC Marks Transmission (Semester 1 final marks)
April 24, 2025	OUAC Marks Transmission (Semester 2 midterm marks)
May 6, 2025	Semester 2 Full Disclosure
May 29, 2025	Latest date to expect a response from an Ontario university
June 2, 2025	Earliest date to be required to respond to an offer of admission and to give a financial commitment
July 4, 2025	OUAC Marks Transmission (Semester 2 final marks)

# Upcoming Postsecondary Fairs



Sacred Heart CHS October 10 | 6 to 8 PM



Newmarket HS
October 23
9:30 AM to 1:30 PM

**Attending Institutions** 

Brock | Carleton | Guelph
Laurentian | McMaster | Ontario Tech
Ottawa | TMU | Trent
Tyndale | University of Toronto
Waterloo | York

Potential Questions for
Postsecondary
Representatives

St. Maximilian Kolbe CHS October 28 | 6:30 to 9 PM



# You are off to great places!

Research admission requirements

Don't be afraid to ask questions.

Think through programs when ranking

Attend postsecondary fairs

Review conditions in offer(s) of acceptance

Visit open houses and go on campus tours

Apply before the deadline



