



# Newmarket High School University Information Presentation



# Why Choose University?

- Specific career goals that require a university education
- You have a passion for academic learning
- You enjoy abstract concepts associated with academic and theoretical learning
- You are able to complete a majority of your work independently
- **Min. mid - 70s** average in six "U" or "M" level courses, including prerequisites (Must be Grade 12 courses)

## University Terminology

### **FACULTY**

Umbrella term for a department of learning

Examples: Faculty of Arts, Arts and Science, Applied Science and Engineering

### **PROGRAM**

Specific area of study within a faculty

A set of courses one takes which will lead to a degree

Examples: Applied Science, Greek Studies, French, Mechanical Engineering





# Types of Degrees

## Undergraduate

- Students starting university are considered to be “undergraduate students”
- Working to earn a “Bachelor” degree
- Typically four years to complete

### **PROFESSIONAL DEGREES**

A package of prescribed courses with some room for specialization within the subject area. Examples: Bachelor of Commerce (Business), Hon. Business Administration, Bachelor of Engineering, Bachelor of Science in Nursing

### **WHAT IF I WANT TO BECOME A DENTIST, LAWYER, DOCTOR, TEACHER?**

Considered professional degrees and may have to earn an additional Bachelor degree  
May also be required to write LSAT (lawyer) or MCAT (doctor)  
Research your profession of interest for specific details

### **B.A. - BACHELOR OF ARTS**

Humanities - English, Languages,  
Philosophy  
Social Science - Geography, History,  
Psychology, Sociology

### **B.Sc - BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

Biology  
Chemistry  
Physics  
Mathematics  
Computer Science

### **B.FA - BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS**

Visual Arts  
Music  
Drama





# Types of Degrees

## Graduate

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- Students who have completed a Bachelor degree and are now working toward a Master's degree in their field of study
- A Master's degree typically takes two years, a PhD (doctorate) can take an additional five to seven years

### **EXAMPLES**

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**MA:** Master of Arts

**MASc:** Master of Applied Science

**MEng:** Master of Engineering

**MSc:** Master of Science

**MHSc:** Master of Health Science

**MEd:** Master of Education

**PhD:** Doctorate







# Choosing a Program

- Start thinking about your skills and interests
- Consider what kind of career or lifestyle you desire and your long term goals
- Visit the site, Ontario Universities Info, to browse universities and programs



[ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca/programs](https://ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca/programs)



# Choosing a Program

Visit [ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca](https://ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca)

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**ONTARIO UNIVERSITIES' INFO**

**PROGRAMS** WHAT INTERESTS YOU? **UNIVERSITIES** WHERE ARE YOU GOING? **FINANCE** FEES & SCHOLARSHIPS **APPLICATIONS** WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

**Welcome to Ontario Universities' Info**  
A guide to Ontario's universities for high school students.



## Find a Program

Search for your ideal program and find out the information you need to apply, like prerequisites, grade requirements and more. Plus, compare your choices.



## Choose a University

Get to know Ontario's universities and where they are located. Find out information about campus visits, residence costs and more!



## How to Apply

Which application is right for me? Answer a few statements to guide you to the proper undergraduate application.

# New Programs


## Many universities have new programs for September 2024:

- Lakehead: Mechatronics Engineering
- McMaster: Leadership and Civic Studies
- Nipissing: Data Science
- OCAD: Experimental Animation
- Ottawa: African Studies
- Queen's: Concurrent Education/Arts - French
- Toronto: Minor in Game Studies and minor in Global Leadership
- TMU: Mechatronics Engineering
- Trent: Climate Change Science & Policy, Data Science
- Waterloo: Black Studies, Fundamentals of Anti-Racist Communication, Indigenous Entrepreneurship
- York: Digital Technologies, Financial Technologies, Sport Management



# Choosing a Program

Searching "Economics" results in 140 programs



**PROGRAMS**  
WHAT INTERESTS YOU?

**UNIVERSITIES**  
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

**FINANCE**  
FEES & SCHOLARSHIPS

**APPLICATIONS**  
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

## Search Results

**Sort By**  
Program Name ▾

**140 Programs** **A-B** C-E F-M N-Z

**Accounting (4 years) (French Immersion is available)**  
**University of Ottawa**  
English I OTC I Exp. learning: Co-op option available with this program I Enrollment: Open

Compare

**Accounting (BA 3 year)**  
**Algoma University**  
English I JAA I Exp. learning: Co-op option available with this program I Enrollment: This is an open enrollment program. First-year admissions are not capped.

Compare

**Applied Economic Analysis**  
**Brock University**  
English I BAE I Exp. learning: Co-op option available with this program I Enrollment: 1,364 (total for all Social Sciences programs)

Compare

### Find a Program

Economics

☐ Show Advanced Search Options

**SEARCH ALL PROGRAMS**

### Browse Programs


☐ Browse All Programs

☐ Browse by Category

☐ Browse by University

☒ Show My Comparisons

### Discover Other Options

Collaborative University and College Programs 

Programs Requiring Prior University Credits







# Choosing a Program

By clicking on a program, it will give you more information

## Accounting (4 years) (French Immersion is available)

University of Ottawa

✓ Compare

Overview Requirements Admission Contact

### Program Summary

University	University of Ottawa
Degree	Bachelor of Commerce, BCom
OUAC Program Code	OTC
Grade Range	Low 80s
Experiential Learning	Co-op option available with this program
Enrollment	Open
Instruction Language	English

UNIVERSITY WEBSITE

PROGRAM WEBSITE

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Overview Requirements Admission Contact

### Prerequisites

- ENG4U or FRA4U
- MHF4U
- MCV4U

If you are missing MCV4U, you may take an equivalent course at the University the summer before, or during, your first term.

### IB and AP Requirements

- [IB Admission Information](#)
- [AP Admission Information](#)

# Requirements

- Check that you have **all** prerequisites needed.
- Be mindful of conditions placed on prerequisites.

**Example A:** 3 from CGO4M\*, CGR4M\*, CGU4M\*, CGW4U\*, ICS4U, MCV4U, MDM4U, MHF4U, SBI4U, SCH4U, SPH4U.

\*Only 1 Geography course can be used.

**Example B:** ENG4U, 1 of MCV4U, MHF4U, MDM4U, SBI4U, SCH4U, and 1 non-Math, non-Science, non-Technology 4U/M credit

**Example C:** MHF4U, MCV4U, ENG4U

**Plus:** Any 2 of SBI4U, SCH4U, SES4U, MDM4U or SPH4U;  
1 additional 4U/M course

**Recommended:** BBB4M, SCH4U



# Selecting a University





# Selecting a University

## **ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

Do they offer what  
I want to study?

Do I have the prerequisite(s)  
for this program?

Do I want to continue  
with graduate studies?

## **CO-OP/CAREER PREP**

Can I gain experience  
and get paid?

Are there internship  
opportunities?

Are there employment  
services for students?





# Selecting a University

## LOCATION AND SIZE

Do I like larger cities or smaller cities?

Do I want to go to a large university with a large campus, an affiliate campus or a small campus?

## VISIT THE CAMPUS

Strongly recommend

Visit the campus on a virtual open house

What is the feeling you have on campus?



# Selecting a University

## ***COMMUTE OR RESIDENCE***

Do I want to live at home?

How will I commute?

Do I want to live in residence?

Can I afford it?

## ***SPORTS AND RECREATION***

Am I able to play varsity sports?

Does the university/community  
offer recreation opportunities?  
(intermural sports, dance, yoga, etc.)

Will I be able to exercise? Does the  
university have facilities I can access?



# Selecting a University

## **STUDENT SERVICES**

Am I able to access extra help?

Ex. study skills workshops,  
success coaching

Academic or career advising?

Is this university accessible?

Ex. academic accommodations

## The Key: Research

- Critical that you research everything
- Talk to parents, friends, teachers, family friends but do not rely on this information only
- Check the university's website or call for accurate information
- The only person responsible for your university application is **YOU!**



# University Requirements

- Acceptance is based on SIX “U” or “M” level courses
- Prerequisite courses are included
- Some programs have minimum averages (Ex. 70% in ENG4U and MHF4U)
- Each university calculates averages differently
- Conditional offers will state averages you must maintain
- Important to be at the cut-off or even higher!

Courses must be  
Grade 12

NOTE: Offers can be  
rescinded in July once final  
semester 2 marks are  
received.





Ontario Universities'  
Application Centre

Planning  
for University

Undergrad  
Applicants

Professional  
Applicants

Getting  
Help



## Ready to Apply?

Once you've decided which programs you're interested in, it's time to start your application to Ontario's universities.

Apply Now 



UNDERGRAD



LAW



MEDICINE



REHAB



TEACHER ED



## Apply to an Undergraduate Program at an Ontario University

Check out our new, easy-to-use Undergraduate Application.

Apply 

Search Programs 



## How to Create Your Account

If this is your first time applying to an Ontario university, you will need to create your OUAC Account.

1. Go to the Create My Account Page



2. Fill in Your Information



3. Create a Username and Password



4. Read and Accept the Terms and Conditions



5. Click "Create My Account" and Choose Your Application Type



**Create Account**

### Notes:

- You will use your username and password in all OUAC applications.
- Do not create more than 1 account.
- Do not use an account created by someone else.

Create My Account

# How to Create Your OUAC Account (All Applications)

This video tutorial is the first in a series about applying to an Ontario university through the C

In this video you will see how to log in to your application for the first time by creating your C Account.

[Video Transcript: How to Create Your OUAC Account](#)





# START HERE

Start Application

## My Recent Messages

No messages

## FAQs

- How do I submit my fall 2022 and winter 2023 grades?
- At the end of the application, I see a warning and/or an error. What do I do?

[Find more FAQs](#)

## How-to Videos



*My Undergraduate Hub* includes resources, FAQs, and recent messages. You will also see your fees, profile, application status, choice, and offers.

Once you create your OUAC account, you will see this page personalized to your information.



UNDERGRAD

As part of your application, you need complete steps on each of the following:

- The Basics
- Citizenship and Language
- Diversity Census
- Contact Details

*\*You need to verify your email address to submit your application*

- Education (all schools that you attended)
- My Choices
- My Supporting Documents



# My Undergraduate Hub

Application Status

**Complete**

Sent to universities

2023-09-19

Edit My  
Application



My Personal Details

e.g., name, contact info, citizenship, language

My Background

e.g., schools you went to, places of employment

My Choices

## Summary of Choices

University	Program Code	Program Title
Brock University	BHL	Brock University - BA Honours: Child Health
University of Guelph	GFD	University of Guelph - Family Studies and Human Development
University of Toronto	TM	University of Toronto - Mechanical Engineering (including PEY Co-op option) - St. George Campus

Offers

1

You have 1  
offer(s)!

View Offers

My Supporting Documents

## Academic Information

Academic Information Received

Milton District High School

Status: Academic Information Received

## Documents

Uploaded Documents

Proof of Canadian Citizenship

Your  
personal  
information

Schools  
and  
programs  
you applied  
to and  
offers  
admission

# University Application Process

- Your **OEN number** is used as part of your application
- All final grades from completed Grade 11 and 12 courses and a list of all current year courses and programs
- Grade 11 grades combined with available Grade 12 grades may be considered for preliminary offers at some universities
- You must list all schools that you have attended (i.e., day school, summer school, night school, private school)
- Grades will be shown 1-2 days after they have been sent to OUAC
- Prepare your online application and pay online:  
**\$156.00 for THREE choices and \$50 per each additional choice**



# University Application Process

- Students can add/change programs through *Amendments* - applicants must **review and save**
- Students can change programs up until the January deadline:  
**January 15, 2024**

# University Application Process

**Some universities look at ranking of programs - review university information**

- If you are applying for **three programs at one university**, list them in the order of preference: first choice, second choice, third choice.
- ***For example: University of Guelph***
  - *1st choice* (GAD - Bachelor of Indigenous Environmental Science and Practice)
  - *2nd choice* (GEA - Bachelor of Environmental Science)
  - *3rd choice* (GBC - Environmental Management)

# Other Important Considerations

## Repeated Courses:

- Confirm that the highest grade will be used to calculate your average.
- Ask if preference given to students whose grades are the result of the first attempt at a course.

# Other Important Considerations

## Summer/Night/Virtual/Private School/Correspondence Courses:

Confirm that the universities you apply to give equal standing to courses recognized by the Ministry of Education

- It is your responsibility to make sure mid-term and final grades are received
- Some universities may accept July 2024 summer school grades by an August deadline (contact universities for further details).

*Note:* McMaster University will not accept courses taken after the June 30, 2024 deadline

- Some universities may ask you to explain why you took the courses outside of your day school (i.e., University of Waterloo)

# English Proficiency Requirements

- Universities may require international students who have not completed their last 3 or 4 years (could vary by school) of full-time studies in English to provide a language proficiency test score
- Universities may ask students whose first language is not English to demonstrate that they can cope with the language demands of an English-language university
- Is Grade 12 English included in the admission average regardless of the English proficiency requirement? (i.e., University of Toronto)
- Check with the university admissions office for schools that you are interested in applying to for more information





# Supplemental Applications

- Some universities may require additional information to complete your application:
  - Interviews
  - Resumes
  - Auditions
  - Reference Letters
- There also may be non-refundable extra costs with supplemental applications

Please pay attention to due dates for all these requirements. Staff should be approached for Reference Letters well in advance of deadlines. Please only consider staff who have taught you in Grade 11 or 12 and who can speak to your achievements.



# Supplemental Applications

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- Read what is being asked of you carefully
- Optional? - You really should submit it
- Meet all deadlines
- Ask references well in advance if they would like to support you
- Create a professional email
- Need transcripts? - Provide at least two days notice and email Ms. Pressley

## **SEPARATE ACCOUNTS**

Some universities may require you to create an account with their university during the application process

The university would then contact you through the account with important information - Ex. interview dates, audition dates, etc.

Carefully read what they are asking you!



# Special Education Requirements

- Students will need to contact their university support centre
- Students would need to bring their most up to date IEP and psychological report (Check to see how current the psych assessment must be)
- Must create a transitional portfolio of important documents and keep the IEP their SERT gave them in October
- Possible disabilities grant offered through OSAP to cover technology or assistive equipment costs, as well as an update psychological report if needed.



# Out of Province Applications

Apply through individual universities

Some will access your grades through  
OUAC (Bishop's, UBC, Calgary, Concordia,  
Dalhousie, McGill, UNB, Simon Fraser,  
Victoria)

For out of country, apply directly to the  
university

Watch deadlines and requirements

Transcripts require a minimum of two days notice





# Applying to a School in the United States

- Please make an appointment with your Guidance Counsellor to review the application process
- Applications are often completed through Common App
- This process is timely and it is important that you apply well in advance of the deadlines and that you have all information prepared for your application
- Check with the university or college in the U.S. about any assessment(s) they require





# Financial and Deferrals

## **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Discuss with your family

Entrance scholarships - based on grades

Other scholarships - community  
involvement, business

RESP - Registered Education Savings Plan

OSAP - Ontario Student Assistance Program

Aim to reduce your debt load while in school!

## **DEFERRALS**

Policies vary from university to university

If granted, some universities request that you re-apply after your gap year (pay all fees). Even though you have the deferral

If you are interested in deferring admission, you must contact the university directly for more detailed information

# Important Dates 2023 - 2024

Week of October 10th	OEN distribution to Grade 12 students.
November 17, 2023	Deadline for the OUAC to receive all midterm or final grades available for 4U/M courses from Ontario high schools. Schools may report in-progress grades for full-year courses as soon as they are available.
November 29, 2023	Full Disclosure Semester 1: Maintain Mark After Date. Courses dropped by this date will not show on a student's transcript.
January 15, 2024	Deadline for Ontario high school students to submit their completed applications to the OUAC.
February 15, 2024	Deadline for the OUAC to receive all final grades available for 4U/M courses and current full-year grades for 4U/M courses from Ontario high schools.
April 25, 2024	Deadline for Ontario high schools to report all midterm or final grades available for 4U/M courses and interim grades for full-year courses to the OUAC.
May 7, 2024	Full Disclosure Semester 2: Maintain Mark After Date. Courses dropped by this date will not show on a student's transcript.
May 29, 2024	The latest date all high school applicants who submitted their application by the January application deadline can expect a response from an Ontario university. This includes an offer of admission, a refusal or a deferral, once additional information is received.
June 3, 2024	The earliest date an Ontario high school student may be required to respond to an Ontario university offer of admission and give a financial commitment.
July 4, 2024	Deadline for the OUAC to receive all final grades for 4U/M courses from Ontario high schools.

# University Fairs, Visits, and Open Houses

- Huron Heights S.S. Post-Secondary Fair: October 12, 2023 (6:00 - 8:00 p.m.)
- Ontario Universities' Fair: October 21-22, 2023 (10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) - Metro Toronto Convention Centre, South Building



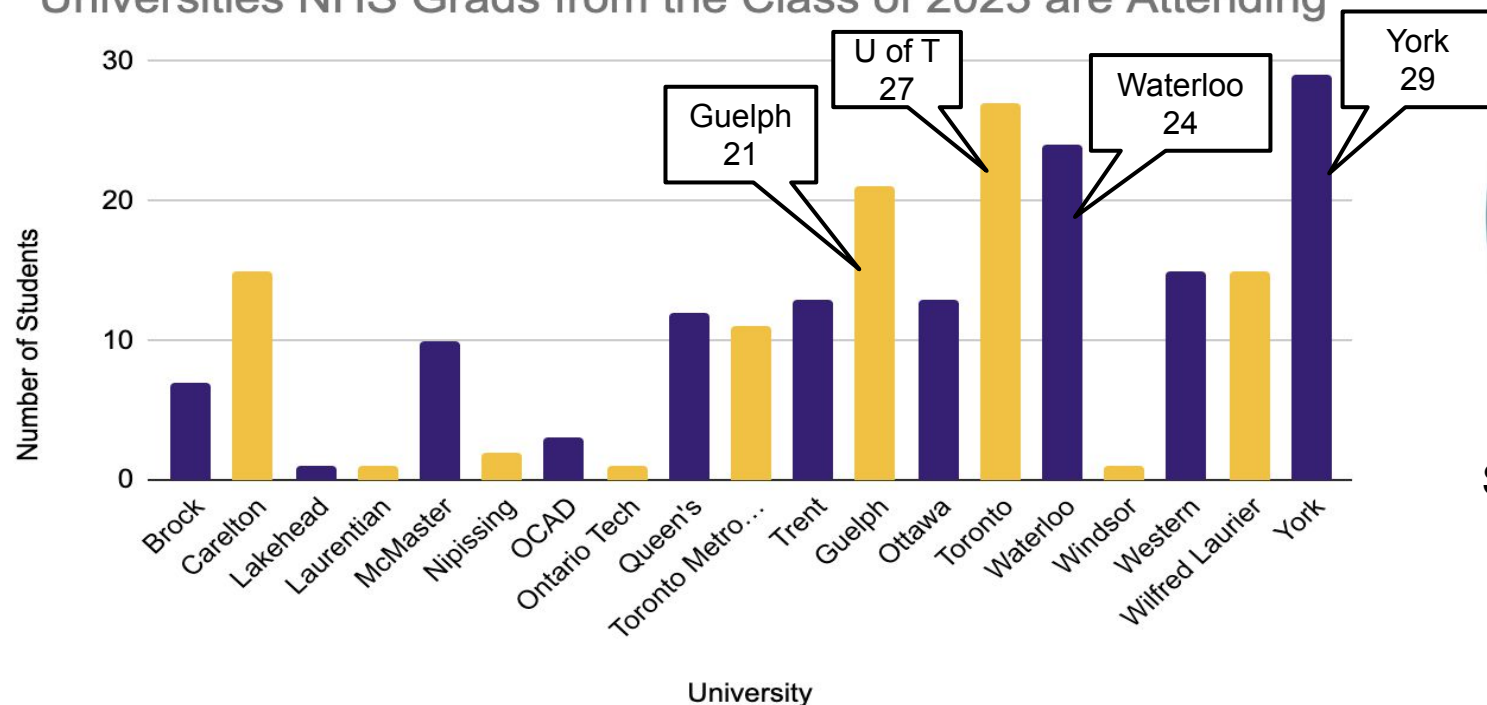
Check out more at

[Ontario Universities' Info Tours and Events](#)



# 2022-2023 OUAC Application Data

Universities NHS Grads from the Class of 2023 are Attending



Schools that NHS  
graduates  
accepted offer of  
admission June  
2023



# Parting Thoughts

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- Take responsibility for your further education
- Create multiple plans (Plan A, B and C)
- Apply early! - At least a week before the deadline
- Arrive on time for interviews, auditions and portfolio presentations
- Think finances and get organized
- Do your research!