

Grad Counselling

Fall 2018

What are we doing today?

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GRAD STATUS

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Grad Status Review

OSSD (Ontario Secondary School Diploma) = 30 credits (18 compulsory, 12 elective), 40 hours of community involvement, passed the OSSLT (literacy test)

- ❖ Do you need any substitution credits (ex. French?) or equivalency credits?
- ❖ Are your summer/night/private school credits correct?
- ❖ Have you met your SHSM requirements?
- ❖ If you are earning a certificate (ex. French Immersion), do you meet all the requirements?

Credit Counselling Summary (CCS)

Review all components
and make note of errors
and concerns.

Credit Counselling Summary Break Down

Student Name: _____
 Student Number: _____
 Date of Entry: 2012 Sep 04
 Language of Instruction: English
 First Language: English
 Mature Student: ☐
 Homeschool: ☐

Status: Active
 Gender: F
 Birthdate: _____
 Grade: 10
 SES: ☐

Absences to Date: 2.0
 Late: 3.0
 Telephone: (055) _____

☐ 40 hrs Comm. Inv: 20.0
☐ Literacy Requirement: not com
☐ Diploma/Earned Date: OSSD

Look for graduation requirements:

- 40 hours of community involvement
- Successful completion of literacy test

Successful Compulsory Credits

Course	Earned Credit	Mark	Req. Avg.	Comp. Credit	Date
RTT001	1.0	82	Gr2	1.0	2013/01
COC001	1.0	78	Comp	1.0	2013/06
ENG001	1.0	80	Eng	1.0	2013/06
FSL001	1.0	88	French	1.0	2013/06
MAT001	1.0	72	Math	1.0	2013/06
PHY001	1.0	85	Phys	1.0	2013/06
SCI001	1.0	75	Scie	1.0	2013/06
TOT001	1.0	74	Gr3	1.0	2013/01

Completed Courses

Course	Mark	Earned Credit	Credit	Date

Elective Credits and Failed Courses

Course	Mark	Earned Credit	Credit	Date

Elective Credits

Elective courses will appear as you accumulate credits. Failed courses will also appear.

Current Year Courses and Achievement

Course/Section	Date	Ats.	Lat	Earn	1	2	3	4	5
					M	F	T	W	F
AMU201-01	2013 Sep 1	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0				
RTT201-02	2013 Sep 1	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0				
CHK201-04	2013 Sep 1	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0				
CHS201-03	2013 Sep 1	0.0	0.0	0.50	0.0				
ENG201-06	2013 Feb 1	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0				
GLC201-03	2013 Sep 1	0.0	0.0	0.50	0.0				
MAT201-05	2013 Feb 1	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0				
SCI201-03	2013 Feb 1	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0				
TOT201-01	2013 Feb 1	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0				

Compulsory Credits

A list of all the compulsory courses you have taken, credit value, mark, graduation requirement area and date earned.

- * Check that all marks are correct
- * French credit substitution:
- GLE101 or EL1 students only
- Please highlight and see counsellor

Current Year Courses & Achievement

A list of all of your current courses, start dates, absences, lates, credit value and Term1 (midterm/final), Term 2 (midterm/final)

Current Year AT OTHER SCHOOLS OR IN CREDIT RECOVERY

A list of credits earned outside of the home school or through credit recovery. Upon completion of these courses, the credits will be recorded above.

CR	School Name	Courses/Section	Date	Ats.	Lat	Earn	Mark 1	Mark 2	Final

EQUIVALENCY CREDITS: These are credits granted for education previously acquired outside of Ontario.

Group Credits

Visit Guidance tab on school website under "Secondary School requirements"

CREDIT TOTALS

Req	Eng	French	Math	Science	Geog	History	Art	Physical	Other	Careers	Subject	Compuls	Credit	Group	Elective
Earn	4.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.50	1.0	1.0	1.0	18.0	12.00
	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.0	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00

Credit Totals Total number of compulsory & elective credits earned to date

Req: Required number of courses by area

Earn: Credits attained to date, divided by requirement area

* OLC40 cannot be used as English credit

CCS - To Do

Take your CCS home to review and complete the following:

1. **Highlight** your Community Involvement hours; write in your plan to complete them if less than 40 hours. Note: We will no longer but putting in more than 40 hours. If you have more, please keep them on file for future uses (ex. supplementary applications or awards)
2. **Highlight** your OSSLT results; write in how you plan to achieve this.
3. **Highlight** any missing compulsory credits or errors from external credits. Book an appointment with guidance asap to correct this.
4. **Write** your intended program(s) and schools **at the bottom** of the sheet.
5. **Sign it and get your parent/guardian to sign it.**

CCS = PIN

- ★ You need a Personal Identification Number (PIN) to begin your application.
- ★ OUAC sends the PINS to Trudeau by the end of November.
- ★ Hand in your completed CCS to get your PIN.

WHAT IF YOU DON'T COMPLETE YOUR CCS? (Gasp! The horror!)

→ *then you get your PIN **after** those that did complete their CCS!*

(you still get yours...you just have to waaaiiiitttttt)

SHSM Completion



If you are graduating in June 2019, please ensure you are on your way to completing your SHSM components.

- **Missing courses?** Book an appointment with guidance immediately to make any possible changes for courses in semester 2.
- **Missing certifications? Missing reach aheads/experiential learning?** Ensure that you check your gapps account for opportunities to earn these certificates. On your CCS, write down any missing certifications.
- **Missing co-op?** Book an appointment with guidance to discuss your options - you can either DROP the SHSM program OR enroll for second semester. On your student summary sheet, write down missing co-op.
- Google classroom (code: s6rbnp)

External Credits

Will go on transcript automatically from our board (YRDSB):

- Night school
- Summer school
- Language course

Needs to be added by the external provider and verified by you:

- Another public school board, ex. TDSB, YCDSB
- Private school → report cards from private schools must be MAILED *or* walked in SEALED and STAMPED; they (not our Guidance department) must upload your course to OUAC; must be done by early/mid-June for grad purposes and final mark transmission.

Gr. 12+ - Fact or Fiction?

FACT: You can earn as many credits as you like within your four years of high school. After that, credits may be earned through Continuing Education, NOT in day school.

EXCEPT...

- 1) If you have an IEP - the 34 credit threshold does not apply to you, OR,
- 2) Any ELL courses do not count towards the 34 credit threshold.

See <http://www.yrdsb.ca/Students/IPP/Pages/34-Credit-Threshold.aspx>

Graduation Ceremony

June 25th, 2019

- Must check that your name is on the Grad List when posted...see Main Office ASAP if it's not
- You will receive information in April about tickets, gown etc; this is done through the main office
- Sign up for Grad Pictures in November outside the cafe; pics start end of November.
- Brief assembly giving info about the ceremony in June - no

worries!

What is Pathway Planning??

There are options other than university! Do what is right for YOU!

- ★ Apprenticeship
- ★ College
- ★ Gap Year
- ★ Work

Our paths can change direction, seem uncertain at times or be indirect...but we all get to where we are supposed to be. Plan your pathway with insight to your skills, realism as to where you are in life right now, financial considerations, short vs long term goals and confidence in yourself to be your own person.

College Application (OCAS) - Highlights

- \$95 application fee
- 5 choices, max of 3 at one school
- Key Dates:
 - October - begin application (no PIN required)
 - November - OCAS sends info to selected colleges
 - February 1, 2019 - deadline for Equal Consideration
 - May 1 - deadline to confirm offer of admission
- Must know requirements for each college - supplementary application, interviews, portfolio, audition etc.; responsible for meeting deadlines
- Colleges grant degrees, diplomas, certificates and collaborative & joint degree programs with universities...research on www.ontariocolleges.ca

University Application (OUAC) - Highlights

- \$150 base application fee; \$50 per choice after that
- Max of 3 choices at any one school; some schools will have further restrictions
- Key Dates:
 - October 23rd onwards - will receive PIN
 - January 16, 2019 - deadline to apply to programs for equal consideration- after this date programs can close.
 - June 1 - deadline to confirm offer of admission; earliest date for financial submission
- Must know pre-requisites for each program - check school website and eInfo
- Must meet deadlines for supplementary applications, auditions, portfolios and online interviews; your responsibility to check with each program/school
- www.ouac.on.ca has answers to all your application questions - powerpoints & FAQ's available now; on-line tutorials coming soon (mid-November...ish!)

Applying Out of Province/Country

- You can authorize OUAC to send your marks to U of Victoria, Simon Fraser, UBC, U of Calgary, Concordia, McGill, Bishops, U of New Brunswick, St. Mary's and Dalhousie
 - When applying to those schools, use your 11 digit OUAC Reference Number (the 11th digit is 0) on their applications
- US Universities - Check Guidance tab on Trudeau Pages for info
 - Not a last minute decision - process is involved and lengthy (SAT's, PSAT's, reference letters, Common App, NCAA...)
 - Should have already spoken to a guidance counsellor about this as we have to be involved in the process of submitting your academic records
 - Deadlines are specific to each university, pay attention and stay on top of references and marks getting in etc.

Marks Transmission

This is what we send and when...

- Beginning of October - demographic information sent
- Early February - Semester 1 final marks
- Mid-April - Semester 2 mid-semester marks
- End of June - Semester 2 final marks

“Choosing your top 6 marks to send” is NOT a thing! They see all marks, everything is sent. Each school and program will calculate your admission average based on their formula, including prerequisites, which they state on eInfo and their website.

Some Additional Information

Supplementary Applications

- Called different things at different schools, but have the same purpose - for them to get to know the person behind the marks
- Meet their deadlines
- See end of presentation for tips

Funding Your Education

- See the Guidance tab on Trudeau Pages for links to scholarships
- Use different websites (ex. Yconic, ScholarTree.ca) to also search
- OSAP - can do an estimator now; when you apply on OUAC or OCAS keep in mind you will not receive any money prior to acceptance deposits being due.

Next Steps...

For Grad Status -

- ☐ Review and highlight CCS
- ☐ Make appointment with your counsellor if required
- ☐ Complete missing elements for OSSD, ex. HOURS!
- ☐ Check to ensure your name is on the Grad List when posted

For Pathway Planning -

- ☐ Research what's best for you
- ☐ Have a plan with several options
- ☐ Visit all schools/campuses you are interested in
- ☐ Know all pre-req's, admission averages and due dates
- ☐ Make an appointment with your counsellor for individual help

Resources...

www.ouac.on.ca

www.electronicinfo.ca

www.ontariocolleges.ca

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/start-apprenticeship>

<https://osap.gov.on.ca/AidEstimatorWeb/enterapp/enter.xhtml>

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/trudeau.hs/guidance/Pages/default.aspx>

Supplementary Applications

- Tips:
 - Start well in advance; brainstorm to start
 - Have a theme or consistent point of view throughout
 - Be GENUINE, REAL, AUTHENTIC.....this is the most important thing!
 - “Sell yourself” without being obnoxious and/or cliché
 - Avoid controversial issues and be careful how topics/examples translate to paper.
 - Use specific examples from your life to illustrate why you’re a good fit
 - Edit edit edit. You can not edit this enough.
 - Submit well in advance and request references from teachers/advisors well in advance

Thank you for coming!



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