

# APPLYING TO POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS



**INFORMATION MEETING  
FOR GRADUATING  
STUDENTS  
2020-2021**



# Agenda



- Welcome & First Steps
- Reviewing credits (My Pathway Planner & Credit Counselling Summary Overview)
- Post-Secondary Eligibility/Requirements
- How do my marks get to the College and Universities?
- Where to find information on Post-Secondary Programs
- Applying to College/University & Important Dates
- Upcoming Information Sessions
- Upcoming Scholarships
- Q & A

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# First Step....



## Be informed...

- Join the Grad Google Classroom to receive important up-to-date information about graduation and post-secondary planning.

**Classroom Code:** **fdae3qe**

- Check the Guidance Moodle – check often for updates and new information (Search: UHS Guidance)
- Research University and College programs you are interested in/arrange for campus visits

# Review your Credits...



- Review the credits you have earned by logging into My Pathway Planner and checking the ‘Graduation Indicator’. Please note that if you received equivalent credits, these may appear different from a credit counselling summary
- Connect with your alpha counsellor if there is a discrepancy with your credits. They can review your Credit Counselling Summary (CCS).
- **Examine yours to make sure you will have all graduation requirements**

## **OSSD Requirements:**

- 30 credits
  - ❖ includes 18 compulsory credits & 12 elective credits
- Literacy Test or Literacy Course
- 40 Community Involvement Hours
  - ❖ Hours must be completed by January.

# My Pathway Planner---Graduation Indicator



**High School** Course Selection Resources

Plan Courses

## Grade 11

View Plans

⊗ Your courses are **Not Submitted** Returning next year?

**1** Step 1 Add Courses   **2** Step 2 Review Courses   **3** Step 3 Submit Courses   Review Course Selection

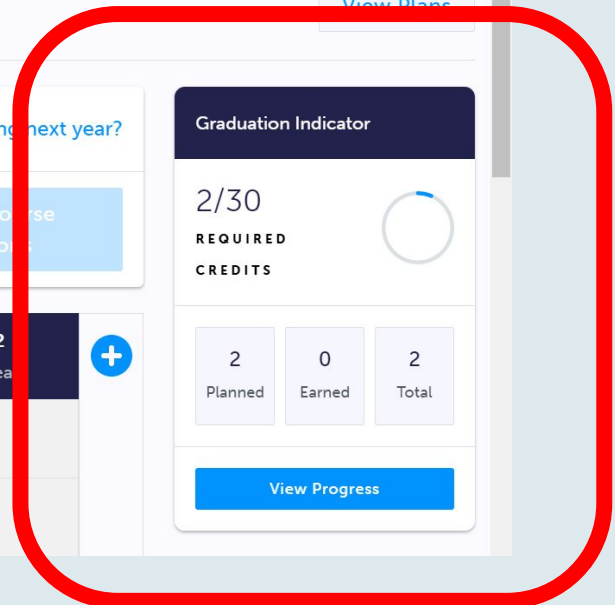
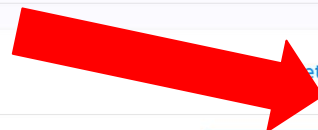
Grade 9 Completed	Grade 10 Completed	Grade 11 Completed	Grade 12 Current Year	
+ English	+ English	+ English	+ English	+
+ Mathematics	+ Mathematics	+ Mathematics	+ Course	

### Graduation Indicator

2/30  
REQUIRED CREDITS

2 Planned	0 Earned	2 Total
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View Progress



# Credit Counselling Summary



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## CREDIT COUNSELLING SUMMARY Unionville High School

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**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Legal Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **OEN:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Gender:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Status:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Abs / Lates:** 0.0 / 0.0  
**Date of Entry:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SES:**  **Lang.Instr.:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Comm. Hrs:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Birthdate:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cohort:** \_\_\_\_\_ **First Lang.:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** 12 **Mentor:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Entered OSS After Gr.9:**  **Mature Student** \_\_\_\_\_ **Lit.Test Stat./Req.:** Eligible/Successfully Completed in English  
**34 Credits Status:** \_\_\_\_\_ **(PLAR):**  **OYAP:**  **Diploma/Earned Date:** OSSD( 1999 )  
**HRM:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Oct - Exempt / Cohort** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Mar - Exempt / Cohort** \_\_\_\_\_

### CURRENT YEAR COURSES AND ACHIEVEMENT

Course/Section	Date	Abs.	Lates	Att.	Earn	SHSM
MHF4U1-05	2013/09/03	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCH3U1-01	2013/09/03	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
TDJ4M1-01	2013/09/03	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
TEJ4M1-01	2013/09/03	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
ENG4U1-06	2014/02/04	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
ICS4U1-01	2014/02/04	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
MCV4U1-05	2014/02/04	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
SCH4U1-04	2014/02/04	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

\* indicates a dropped course.

### CREDIT TOTALS

	English	French	Math	Science	Geog.	History	Arts	Phys. Ed.	Civics	Career St.	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Comp.	Elective
<b>Req</b>	4.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	18.00	12.00
<b>Earn</b>	3.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	17.00	9.00

# Volunteer and Program Opportunities



Haven't completed your Community Involvement hours?

Join the UHS Community Involvement Google Classroom to learn about volunteer opportunities.

Enrolment key: gsrz264



# Keep in mind....



- If you are new to UHS, please note that your CCS may not be up-to-date as the Guidance office has requested your OSR from your previous school and once received, will require some time to input your transcript information.
- Students who are new and from out-of-country will have to meet with their alpha counsellor to review Equivalent credits earned.

# Are you eligible for College/University admission?



It is **YOUR** responsibility to ensure that:

1. You have requirements to graduate
2. You have the pre-requisites for the programs you are applying for

# Common Requirements

## For Degree Programs at Ontario Colleges and Ontario Universities

- ENG4U
- 5 other grade 12U or 12M courses
- Most colleges/universities include pre-requisites courses in the admission average
- Some programs have a minimum average or minimum % for certain courses

## For Diploma Programs at Ontario Colleges

- ENG4C or ENG4U
- Some programs require pre-requisite courses
- Some programs have a minimum average or minimum % for certain courses

# Acronyms to Know



OCAS

(Ontario College Application Service)

- The go-to information hub for college applicants and responsible for **processing applications** for admission to Ontario colleges.

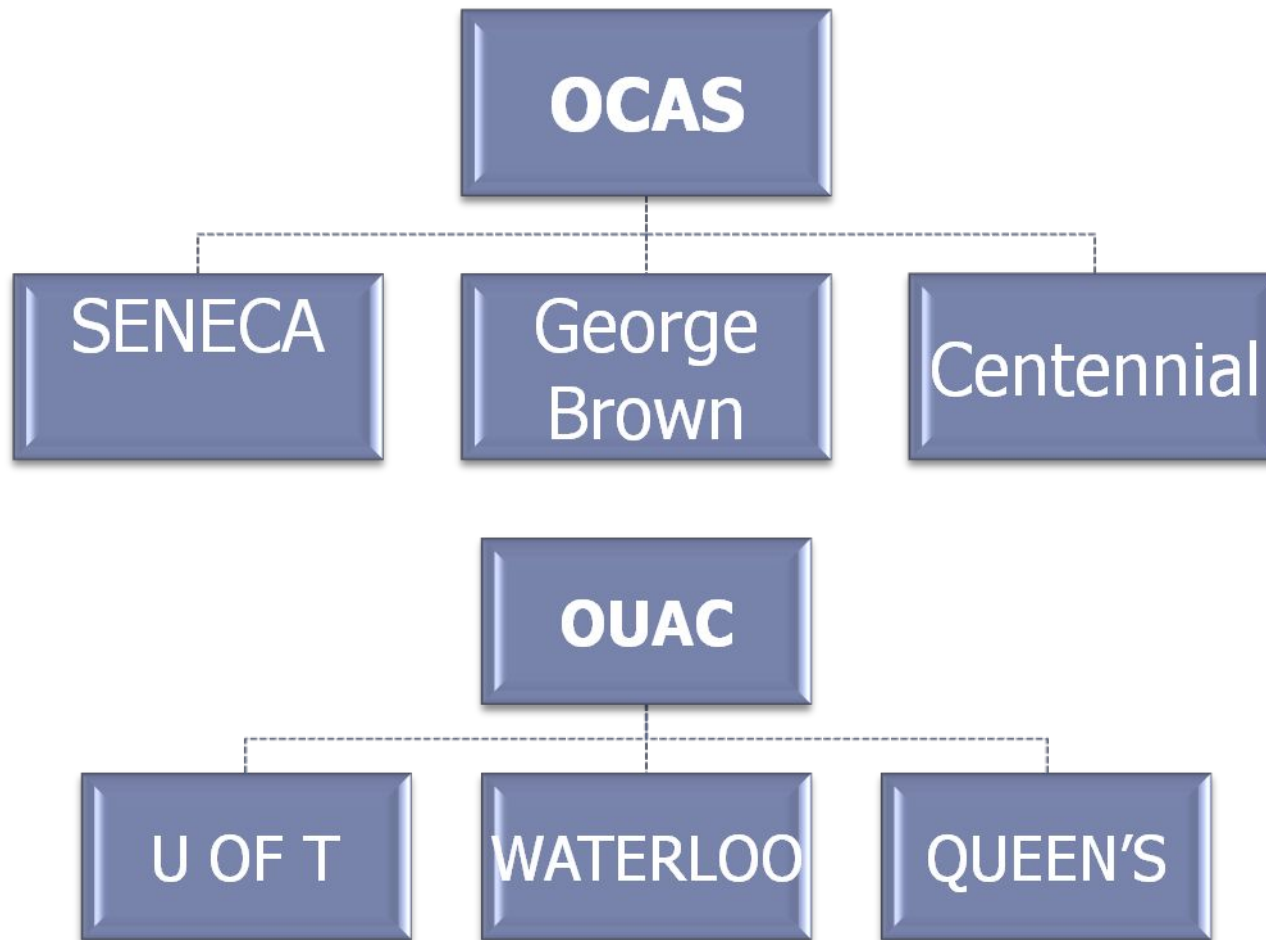
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OUAC

(Ontario University Application Centre)

- located in Guelph, Ontario; is a central bureau whose key function is the **processing of applications** for admission to the province's universities

# Application Process



# Release of Information



There will be a one-time release of grades and other identifying information for all students in Grade 12 in the month of **October to the Ontario College Application Service, and to the Ontario University Application Centre**, using secure transmission technology. This will activate all of your future applications for this year.

# Data Transmissions for Colleges



We will send your information and marks electronically to **OCAS** by the dates specified below:

- October 2020: (student info, demographics, mark history)
- November 17<sup>th</sup> (**midterm marks**)
- February 5<sup>th</sup> (sem. 1 final marks)
- April 21<sup>st</sup> (sem. 2 midterms)
- July 2<sup>nd</sup> (sem. 2 final marks)
- August 13<sup>th</sup> (summer final marks)

# Data Transmissions for Universities



We will send your marks electronically to **OUAC** by the dates specified below:

- October 2020: (student profile, demographics, mark history final Gr. 11 & 12 marks; scheduled Gr. 11 & 12 Courses)
- November 20th: **\*NEW\*** (sem. 1 mid-term marks)
- February 11<sup>th</sup> (sem. 1 final marks)
- April 22<sup>nd</sup> (sem. 2 midterms)
- July 6<sup>th</sup> (sem. 2 final marks)
- August 13<sup>th</sup> (summer final marks)

**\*\*If you do NOT want your marks sent to OUAC, you must notify us in writing by October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020\*\***



# Student's Responsibility...



- It is your responsibility as a student to research the minimum mark and prerequisite requirements for each program you apply for.
- It is your responsibility as a student to be in regular consultation with your teachers during formative assessments to find out what you have to do to attain the required averages for your summative assessments.

# Full Disclosure



- All grade 11 & 12 courses you attempt will appear on your transcript whether or not you pass them.
- The full disclosure date for **Semester 1 TBA and for Semester 2 TBA**. *Please note that OCAS and OUAC transmission dates are typically prior to both full disclosure dates. More information will follow in November and in April regarding course drop procedures to meet full disclosure deadlines.*
- Be sure to ask about the full disclosure date at Night School, Night School e-learning, or Day School e-learning, if you plan to drop a course and avoid full disclosure.

# Where to find information about programs?

- OCAS or [Ontariocolleges.ca](http://Ontariocolleges.ca) are the go-to sites to learn about College programs



- Ontario Universities Info (<https://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca/>) and University websites will have most up-to-date info



# Additional requirements



- Does your program require: supplemental forms, auditions, portfolios, interviews?
  - Know whether you are responsible for booking a time for these
- Make note of the deadline for submission.
- English proficiency requirements can be found on University websites.

# Applying to Ontario Universities



- You will receive a PIN # in mid November to apply to OUAC.
- After you apply, you will receive an OUAC number. This is very important. Write it down.
- Fees:
  - Base Application Fee: \$150. For your initial 3 program choices.
  - Additional Choice Fee: \$50/choice  
For each additional program choice beyond your first 3 (e.g., if you add 2 additional university choices, you must pay \$100 in addition to the base application fee).

Note: There is no fee for replacing a program choice with another program choice at the same university.

You may apply to as many Ontario universities as you wish; however, you are limited to a maximum of 3 program choices at any 1 university (including its affiliates). Some universities may further limit the number of programs you can apply to.

- International Service Fee: \$10 If you are not a Canadian citizen or permanent resident.
- Supplemental Program Fee (Supplemental program fees cover the cost of individual faculty admission processes. The supplemental program fee is non-refundable and you pay it along with your OUAC application fee).

# Applying to Ontario Colleges



- Fees: \$95 ~ You may apply to up to 5 programs, with no more than 3 program choices at any one college.
- Pay by credit card online, by mail, or call the Customer Contact Centre toll free number.
- Go to [www.ontariocolleges.ca](http://www.ontariocolleges.ca)
- Create your own username and password.
- You may begin to fill out the application as soon as the site opens – usually early October.

**A PIN # is NOT required to apply to college**

# Important Application Dates

DEADLINE!

Ontario University Applications are due:

**Wednesday, January 15, 2021**

Note: The OUAC still processes applications received after this date and distributes them to the universities; however, specific university deadlines will apply.

Ontario College Applications are due:

**Saturday, February 1, 2021**

Applications received and paid for on or before this date will be given equal consideration by the colleges and universities.

# Other Dates to Keep in Mind--OCAS



- **February 1, 2021: Earliest Offer Date**
  - Offers will continue to be issued until programs are filled or wait-lists are established.
- **May 1, 2021: Deadline to Confirm Offers of Admission**
  - Applicants must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission by this date.
- **Colleges may extend offers of admission after this date.**
  - Each college will set the deadline to confirm offers made after May 1, and this deadline will be communicated to you with your offer.
- **June 2021: Tuition Deposit Due at the Colleges**
  - The colleges require payment of a tuition deposit in 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.



# Other Dates to Keep in Mind--**OUAC**



- **May 27: Latest date to hear from a University**
- **June 1: earliest date you would be required to respond**
- **Early June – August: Admission information service available to those not admitted by June**

# Universities Outside Ontario....



- The following universities will access OUAC information, including grades after you have applied through OUAC:
  - Acadia University • Bishop's University • The University of British Columbia • The University of Calgary • Concordia University • Dalhousie University • McGill University • Saint Mary's University • Simon Fraser University • The University of Victoria
- Apply first to OUAC, then using your OUAC reference #, submit your application(s) out of province, quoting this number.

# Applying outside of Ontario



- You are responsible for downloading and submitting the applications
- Check deadlines and pre-requisites; they will vary from those in Ontario.
- Your alpha counsellor will assist as required by the school

# Applying to the United States



- It is your responsibility to understand the application for the institute you want to apply for (most places use The Common Application form and the first submission deadline is usually Nov 1<sup>st</sup> ).
- Students must book an appointment to see their alpha counselor a **minimum of 2 weeks** prior to the first submission deadline.
- Students requesting a reference letter will be expected to submit a resume and a draft letter to their alpha counselor which will be outlined at their appointment.

# Repeated Courses



- Most post-secondary institutions will accept the highest mark for courses which are repeated
- Some programs, even within the same university or college, will have a different policy
- Check the University/College website and Einfo/OCAS for information

# Credits taken outside of day school



- Provided that the school is accredited by the [Ontario Ministry of Education](#), courses will be accepted by the college/university regardless of how or where the course is taken.
- Competitive programs take many factors into consideration and in some cases averages may be adjusted
- If taking a course through a private school, you must complete the “Private School Credits” form available in guidance

# What if I am taking a private school course?



- Official mid-term/final grade(s) for any course(s) taken through a private institution must be submitted to OCAS/OUAC **by the Private School.**
- Final report card(s) must be mailed by the Private School directly to the UHS Guidance Department. **We cannot accept report cards from students.**
- Deadline for Guidance to receive final reports so that marks can be recorded on students' transcripts is:

**June 7, 2021**

# Early Acceptance-University



- Most universities prefer to see 2<sup>nd</sup> semester mid-term grades before issuing offers in May
- Some students will receive offers based on less information, especially when marks are 90%+
- All offers are conditional - final grades are always considered



# Applicants Who Are Refused Admission-University



- May decide to request admission consideration in other programs or at other universities. This may be done in one of two ways:
  - Add additional university/program selections beyond the current active university/program choices on the application.
  - Delete an active university/program choice and add a different one
- In early June, OUAC publishes a list of schools with room in specific programs

# Applicants Who Are Refused Admission-University, Cont'd



- If you did not receive an offer it is unlikely that taking a course at summer school would help. Most university programs will be filled before summer school courses are completed (August)
- If you have been accepted but have not met the minimum requirements for your program, you may be allowed to improve your mark through summer school to keep your offer
- Check with the school directly

# Other Options Include...



- Complete a College diploma program and then re-apply to University (for University bound students)
- Upgrade your marks through summer or night school, e-learning school. You must contact the University directly to see if they will wait for an upgraded mark

# Special Education Students



If you have an **Individual Education Plan (IEP)**:

- Contact each college's/university's Special Needs Office to explore the support services available
- Early identification of your needs will help make the transition to university a smooth one
- Speak with your Special Education Resource teacher or your alpha guidance counsellor if you need help

# Upcoming Information Sessions



- OUF and Regional Fairs for 2020 have been cancelled--visit <https://www.ontariouniversitiesfair.ca/> to connect with Ontario universities or to search for information about certain universities.
- College Fair--Virtual
  - November 4, 4pm to 8pm and November 5, 9am to 1pm
- Post-Secondary Financial Planning Workshop (OSAP)—Mid April (TBA)

# Upcoming Scholarships....



## **Loran Awards**

<https://loranscholar.ca/becoming-a-scholar/>

October 2nd by 3pm: School Sponsored - submit to Guidance for consideration for school nomination (see application on Guidance Moodle and grad google classroom)

Oct 22nd by 8pm: Direct Pool Application due

## **University of Toronto Book Award**

October 2nd - Due to Guidance by 3pm (application on Guidance Moodle and grad google classroom)

The Scholarship Report has been updated on the Guidance Moodle. Various scholarships are listed with due dates between September and November 2020.

Want to learn more about scholarships.....

# Scholarship Information Session

**Thursday October 8th**

**11:40-12:20**

**Audio Google Meet**

A google meet link will be shared on the Grad Google Classroom a few minutes before the presentation.  
**A reminder that prior to entering the meet, your camera and microphone needs to be turned off**



# You are encouraged to.....

Make an appointment through Teach Assist with your alpha Guidance counsellor after reviewing your credit information on My Pathway Planner to review graduation requirements & discuss your post-secondary plans



[Book an Appointment](#)



# Questions?



- If you have *any* trouble with your application come to Guidance.



Thank you!

