APPLYING TO POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

INFORMATION MEETING FOR GRADUATING STUDENTS

2019-2020



Agenda

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- Post-Secondary Eligibility/Requirements
- How do my marks get to the College and Universities?
- Where to find information on Post-Secondary Programs
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- Upcoming Scholarships
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First Step....

Be informed...

 Join the Grad Google Classroom to receive important upto-date information about graduating and postsecondary planning through the grad email.

Classroom Code: rhg0eyg

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

Review your Credit Counselling Summary

- Your Credit Counselling Summary (CCS) has been distributed
- 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.

Credit Counselling Summary

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Credit Counselling Summary -cont'd

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	
SCH3U1-01	2013/09/03	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	
TDJ4M1-01	2013/09/03	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	П
TEJ4M1-01	2013/09/03	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	
ENG4U1-06	2014/02/04	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	
ICS4U1-01	2014/02/04	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	
MCV4U1-05	2014/02/04	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	
SCH4U1-04	2014/02/04	0.0	0	1.00	0.00	

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	English	French	Math	Science	Geog.	History	Arts	Phys. Ed.	Civios	Career St.	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Comp.	Elective
Req	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
Earn	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: bf1jq7

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
- 1. 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.

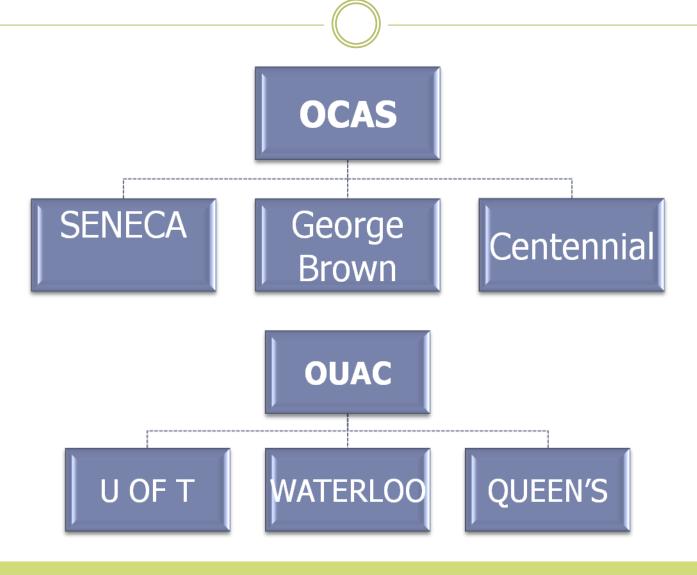


OUAC

(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. If you would like more information about this, please contact your alpha Guidance counsellor."

Data Transmissions for Colleges

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

October 2019: (student info, demographics, mark history)

• November 19th (midterm marks)

• February 7th (sem. 1 final marks)

• April 21st (sem. 2 midterms)

• July 3rd (sem. 2 final marks)

August 14th (summer final marks)

Data Transmissions for Universities

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

- October 2019: (student profile, demographics, mark history final Gr. 11 & 12 marks; scheduled Gr. 11 & 12 Courses/<u>no midterm marks</u>)
- February 13th (sem. 1 final marks)
- April 23rd (sem. 2 midterms)
- July 6th (sem. 2 final marks)
- August 1-31st (summer final marks)

If you do NOT want your marks sent to OUAC, you must notify us in writing by October 9th, 2019

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 is Nov. 22, 2019 and for Semester 2 is April 29, 2020. Please note that OCAS and OUAC transmission dates are 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 are the go-to sites to learn about College programs



Ontario's colleges are at the forefront of technology, innovation and workforce development, preparing students for success in the cutting-edge careers of tomorrow.

Ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca

• Ontario Universities Info (<u>www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca</u>) 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 <u>www.ontariocolleges.ca</u>
- 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



Ontario University Applications are due Wednesday, January 15, 2020

Ontario College Applications are due

Saturday, February 1, 2020

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, 2020: Earliest Offer Date
 - Offers will continue to be issued until programs are filled or wait-lists are established.
- May 1, 2020: 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.
- Mid-June 2020: Tuition Deposit Due at the Colleges

Other Dates to Keep in Mind--OUAC

- Feb 4: last date to submit university and program changes and additional active choices to OUAC to be considered for early offers of admission.
- 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 • The University of New Brunswick • 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 1st).
- 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 <u>Ontario</u> <u>Ministry of Education</u>, 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 <u>by the Private School</u>.
- 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 3, 2020

Early Acceptance-University

- Most universities prefer to see 2nd semester midterm 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 <u>may</u> 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 reapply 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

- Post-Secondary Information Fair at Bill Crothers S.S.
 - October 16th, 6:30pm
- College Fair--Enercare Centre, Toronto
 - October 23 & 24, 2019
- Student Life Expo— Metro Toronto Convention Centre
 - October 27th, 2019

(Universities and Colleges across Canada, Gov't Agencies, Ministry of Education, Industry Associations, Volunteer Organizations, Corporate Sponsors)

 Post-Secondary Financial Planning Workshop (OSAP)—Mid April (TBA)

Upcoming Scholarships....

Loran Award

Direct pool application due: October 24th (8pm)

University of Toronto Book Award

Due to Guidance: Friday October 4th by 3pm

Horatio Alger Scholarship

Due: October 25th

<u>University of Toronto - National Scholarship Program</u>

Due: October 24th

The Scholarship Report has been updated on the Guidance Moodle. Various scholarships are listed with due dates between September and November 2019.

Want to learn more about scholarships.....

Scholarship Information Session

Tuesday October 8th Period 2 & Period 4 in the Library

Sign up here to attend! (Bring your permission form with you!)

http://bit.ly/Grade12Scholarships2019







Alumni Panel

We need your help.....



Every year we hold an alumni panel presentation. We are asking for grads to return to speak to current Grade 12 students.

Sign up if you are interested in participating in the panel next year.

Google form-- http://bit.ly/2mFpecb

You are encouraged to.....

Make an appointment through
Teach Assist with your alpha
Guidance counsellor <u>after</u> receiving
your CCS to review graduation
requirements & discuss your postsecondary plans

Book an Appointment

Questions?

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



Please pick up an Ontario Universities Info card on your way out

Thank you!