# Planning for the *FUTURE*

2023-2024

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# <u>Graduation Requirements</u>

- > 30 credits needed to obtain OSSD
- > 18 are compulsory courses

- > 12 electives
- > 40 hours of community service
- Pass the Literacy requirement (test or course)

Information on the above can be found in the student's

myBlueprint account

### To Find Out If You Have All Graduation Requirements

- Go into myblueprint from the student portal
- Go into the High School Planner
- Go to the Graduation Indicator (on right side)
- Click on "View Progress"
- Here students can see compulsory credits planned and earned
- On the bottom students can see Additional Requirements (Community Service/Literacy)

A green circle with a checkmark indicates the requirement is planned/earned

A shaded gray circle with a checkmark indicates the requirement is needed

Please see your counsellor if a requirement is missing We can discuss during individual meetings

# Students Can Check Out Graduation Progress and Pathway Eligibility Based on The Courses They Have Chosen





# Community Service Hours



#### Provide tutoring and mentorship supports through

- Virtual or in-person tutoring to help students with reading, communication and/or other skills
- Teaching music or dance lessons
- Assisting siblings and/or younger students with online/in-person learning and schoolwork

#### Connect with and support seniors by

- Conversing with seniors virtually, for example, acting as technology mentors or providing a regular check-in
- Playing cards or board games with seniors to keep them company
- Delivering groceries to elderly/immunocompromised neighbours

#### Supports families, neighbourhoods and community initiatives

- Supporting a family by walking a younger child to and from school
- Participating in donation pick-ups for not-for-profit organizations
- Coordinating a donation event with a local organization such as a shelter
- Facilitating discussions with newcomer youth or families to help them learn about their new community
- Shoveling snow/raking leaves and/or performing yard work for a family or neighbour's family due to extenuating circumstances
- Taking part in a neighbourhood litter-pick-up

# Community Service Hours Cont.



- Students aged 14 and older can count up to a maximum of 10 hours from paid employment. A <u>reflection exercise</u> must be completed indicating how their work contributed to the service of others
- Did you know that you have the power to be a real living hero? Young adults between 17-35 are needed to join the Canadian Stem Cell Registry. You also give hope to the 800 people in Canada waiting for their match to survive. By participating, you can count up to 10 hours for Community Service. By completing steps 1-5, you will receive 5 hours for the stem cell awareness and education portion. By completing steps 6 and 7, you will receive another 5 hours by joining the stem cell registry. Thank you for considering!

Stem Cell Information Sheet

**Stem Cell Information Steps 1-7** 

# College vs. University

### College

- Most programs are directly career-oriented. They offer practical/hands-on training
- ➤ Have 1,2,3 and 4 year programs
- Have pre-trades & apprenticeship training, language training and skills upgrading
- Have articulation agreements with universities
- Tend to have smaller class sizes, with lower student-to-instructor ratio

### University

- Programs tend to be more research and theory focussed
- Grant degrees: undergraduate (3-4 years)
- Master's & Ph.D after undergrad
- Many offer professional programs, such as medicine, engineering, dentistry, teaching law
- Tend to have much larger classes
- Usually have a higher financial cost
- More independence needed due to higher student-to-instructor ratio

(time management/self-motivation)





### <u>College</u>

- Must have 4C or U English
- Check every program's requirements carefully for other required courses or portfolios
- Programs might also require MAP4C, SBI3C, SCH4C

### <u>University</u>

- Most require 4U English
- Must have a total of 6 4U/4M courses (outside of Ontario this could differ)
- Check every program's requirements carefully for average requirements

# What is your area of interest?

Business? (for uni requires MHF4U and often MCV4U with a min mark 70%

Science and Engineering? sciences)

Art/Architecture/Design? (requires senior math, physics and you will need a portfolio)

(requires senior math SIEM Science Technology, Mathematics

Law or Public Safety?

(University, college and think about Co-op and community service)

portfolio/performance) Computers? (requires senior math)

Arts?

(requires a

Health Sciences? (requires two sciences and often 2 senior math)



**Skilled Trades?** (Co-op and OYAP)



### **Social Science and Humanities?**

(requires strong language ability and sometimes experience working with people)



## Applying to Ontario Universities

### www.ouac.on.ca

- Ontario online applications take place from October 2023 until January 15, 2024
- Click "Apply Now" on the main screen & then "Create My Account"
- You will then need to enter basic information (Name, DOB, Email
- You must verify your email in order to submit your application
- > Email is primary means of communication for universities and OUAC
- You will then need to create a username and password
- Create a username and password that is personal and easy to remember because you will be using this to log in from now on
- Review terms and conditions and select "Create my Account"
- You will then choose the application you want to set up (Undergraduate)
- You have now created your OUAC Account. Congratulations!



### Applying to Ontario Universities Continued

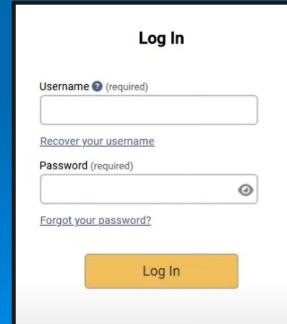
Once your account is created there are 5 main sections to complete:

- Personal Details (citizenship/language, contact details, education)
- Background Information
- Choices
- Supporting Documents (no need to attach transcripts, Academic info. will show up 1-2 days after application is submitted)
- Review and Payment



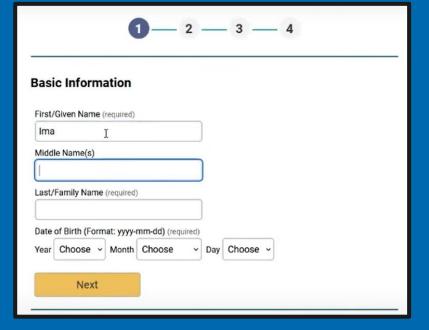
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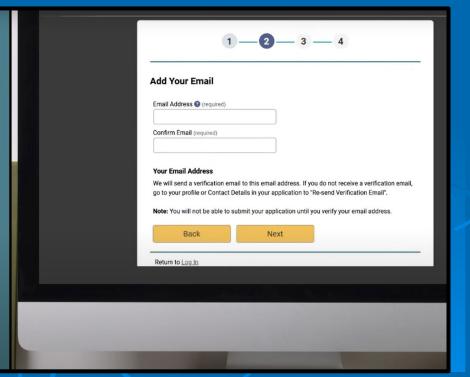




### Step 2

Enter your Email Address.

Email is the primary method of communication for the universities and the OUAC, so make sure you provide a valid email address.

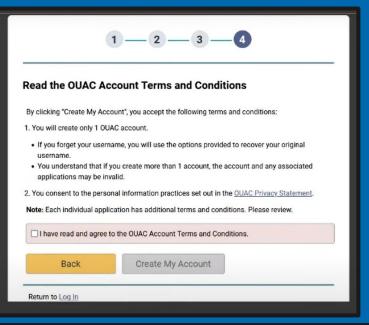


#### Step 3 1 — 2 — 3 — 4 Create a Username and Create a Username and Password Password. Username (2) (required) View Saved Logins Password (required) You can log in 0 to all OUAC Confirm Password (required) 0 applications Next with this Return to Log In username and password.

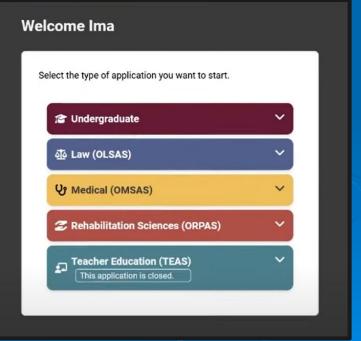
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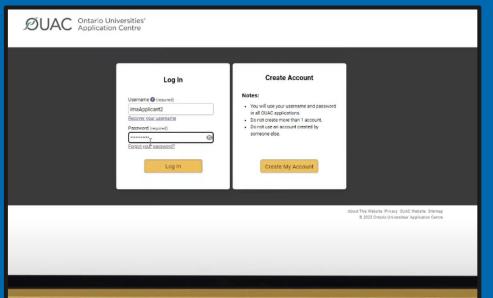
# Step 4 Read the Terms and Conditions and OUAC Privacy

Statement.



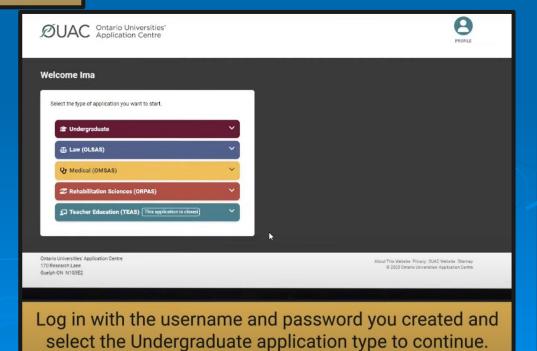
After you have created your account, you can choose which application type you want to start.





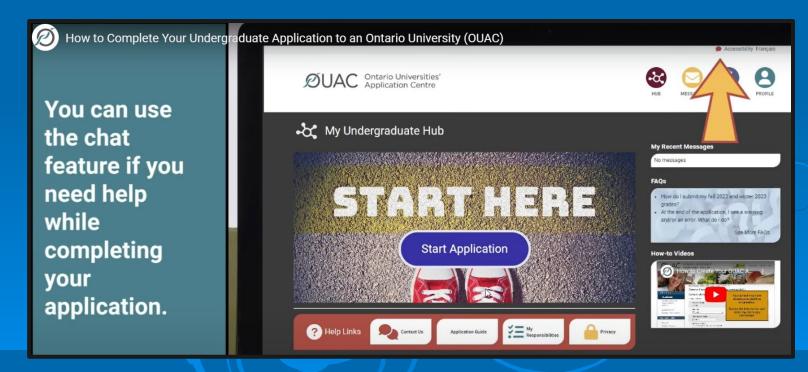


Log in with the username and password you created and select the Undergraduate application type to continue.



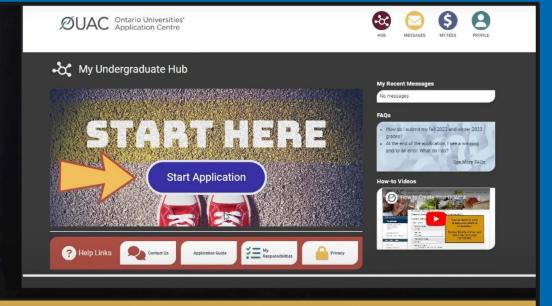
You can find emails from the OUAC in the Message Centre.





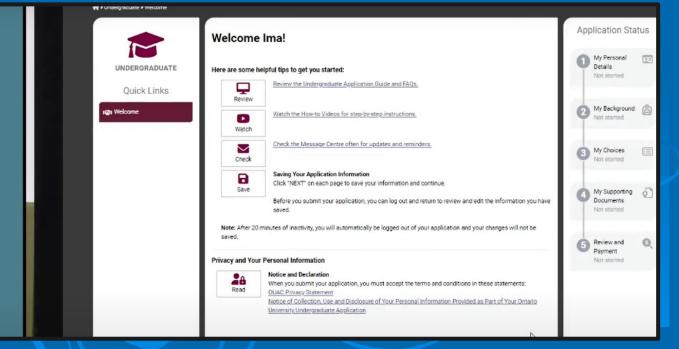
Make sure to check the Hub regularly.

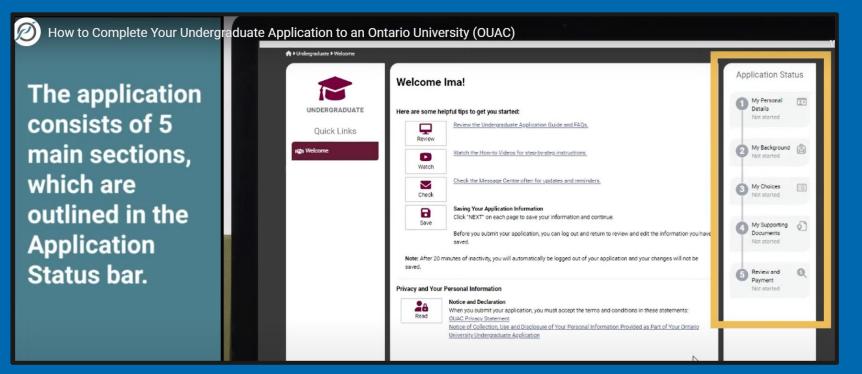
It displays a summary of your application information and status updates.



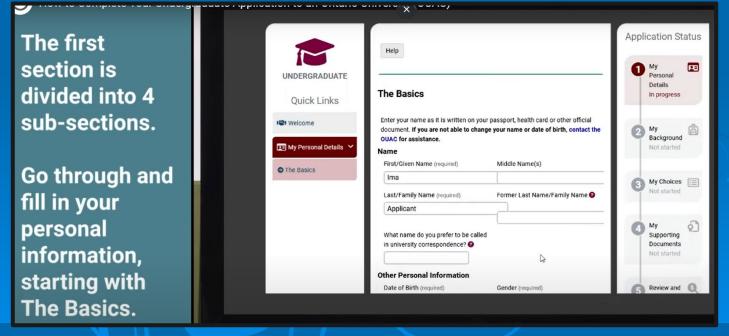
From here, you can select "Start Application" to begin your Undergraduate Application.

Read the Welcome page carefully, as it contains tips to help you get started.

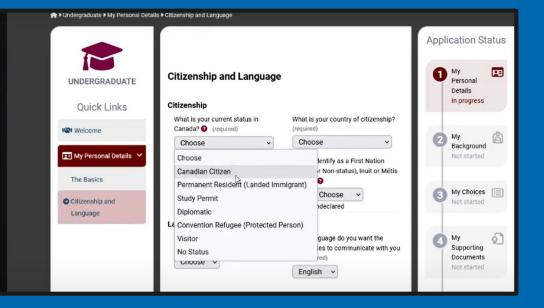


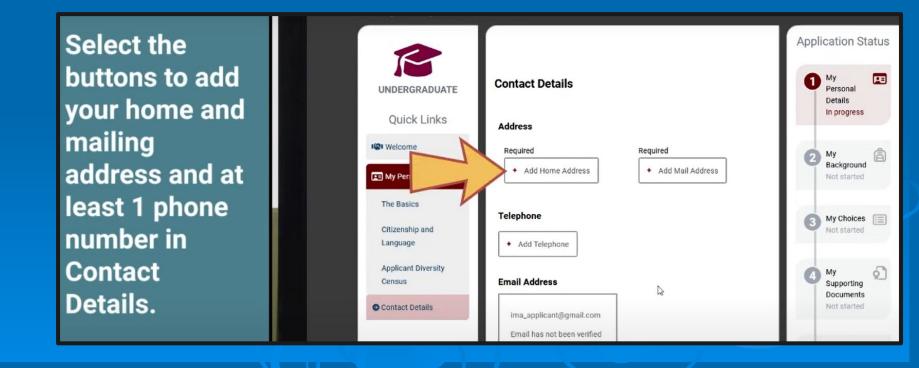


# Personal Details



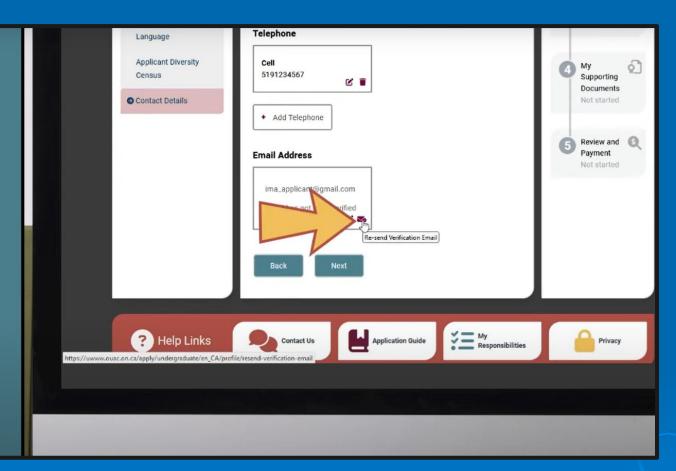
Add your details for Citizenship and Language.



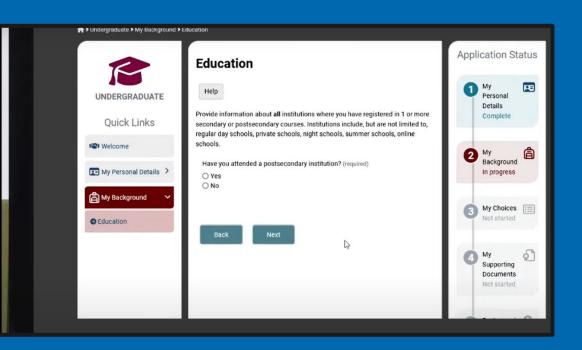


You will not be able to submit your application until your email is verified.

If your email address is not verified, you can re-send your email verification.



In Education, provide information about all institutions where you have registered in 1 or more secondary or postsecondary courses.

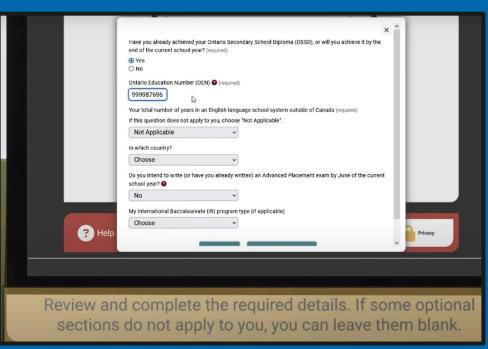


# Background Information

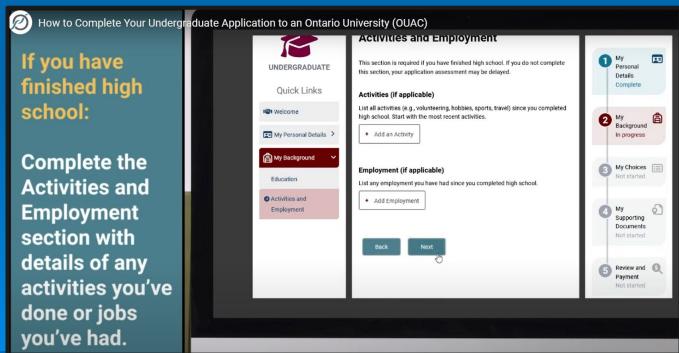
**Current Ontario** Application Status Canada + high school My Personal Institution Province or Territory (required) Details UNDERGRADUATE Ontario \* Complete students: **Quick Links** Institution Name (required) Choose the institution you attend/attended from the drop-down list, where possible. If you **₩** Welcome attend/attended an affiliate campus or alternative location, choose the main campus. If the My Background a institution you attend/attended is not in this list, choose "Not in List" and provide the full institution name (do not use an acronym) and address in the "Unlisted Institution" section. For "To Date", My Personal Details > Waterloo Collegiate Institute + My Background add the month 3 My Choices To Date (required) Start Date (required) Year 2024 - Month Chode -Not started Year 2019 V Month September V and year you will Highest Year Level Achieved Diploma/Degree Type be completing Choose Choose My Supporting Documents Grade 12 Not started Add Institution (e.g., June 2024). Review and

#### Tell Us More...

Depending on which institutions you have entered in your educational background, you may have other educational information to complete, which will show at the end of the page.

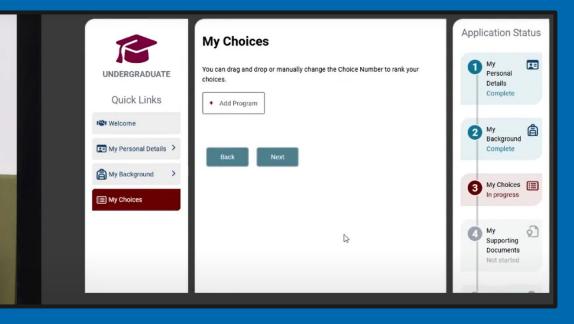


### **OEN** is needed



You are now ready to add your program choices to your application.

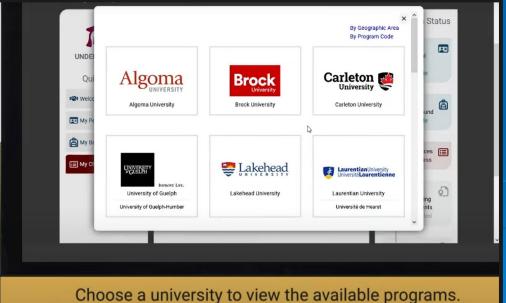
There are 5 steps to add a choice.



# Pick Your Choices



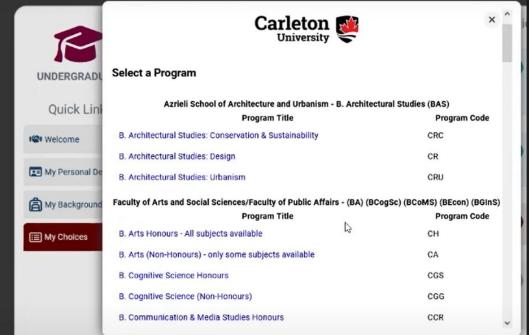
Select a university and review the specific university requirements, website links and important admission information.



Choose a university to view the available programs. You can also search by geographic area or program code.

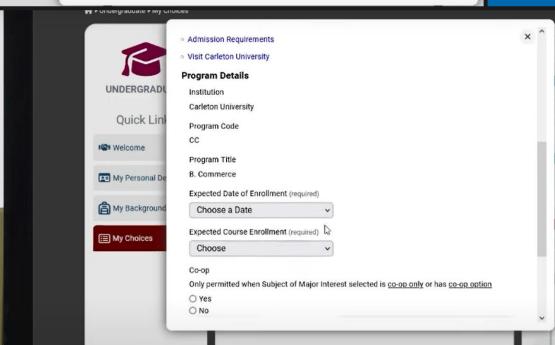
### Step 3

Review the list of programs available at this university and make your choice.



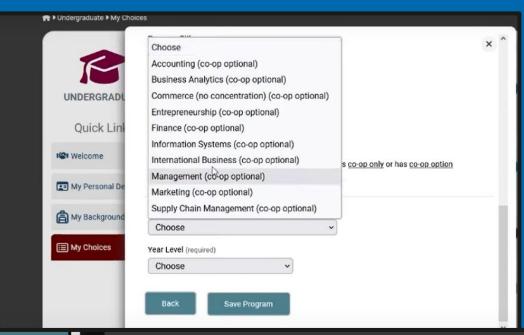
### Step 5

Complete the program details.



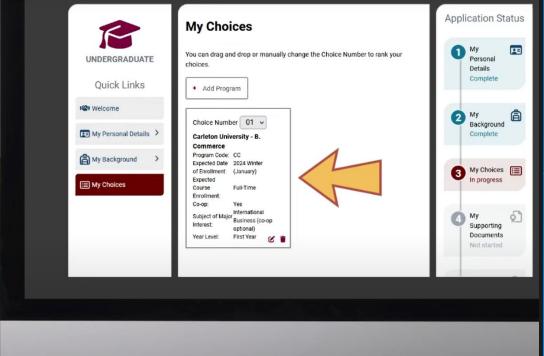
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Select a
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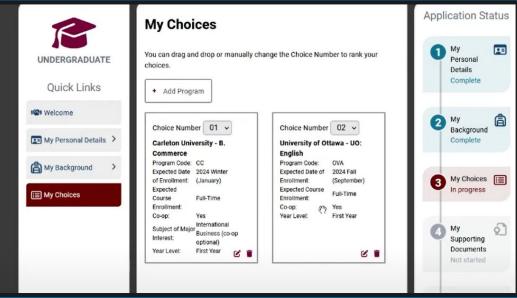


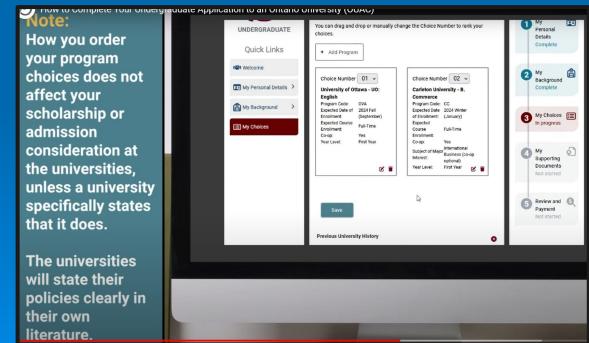
Your program choice will now appear on your Choices page.

From here, you can add a new program, delete a program or edit the program details.



On this page, you must also rank your choices in order of preference.

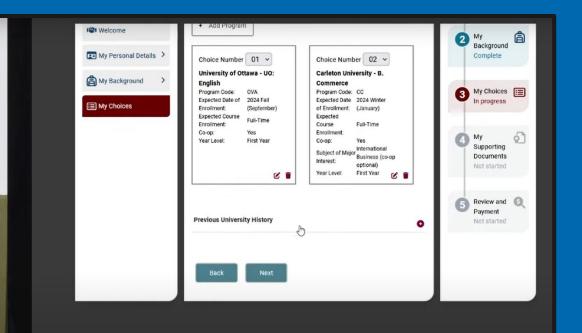




#### Reminder

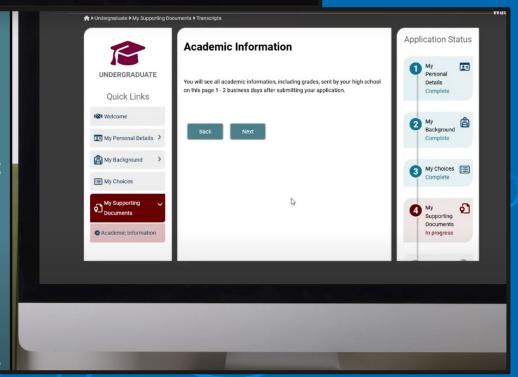
You can apply to as many universities as you wish. However, you are limited to a maximum of 3 programs at any 1 university.

Some universities may further limit the number of programs that you can apply to.



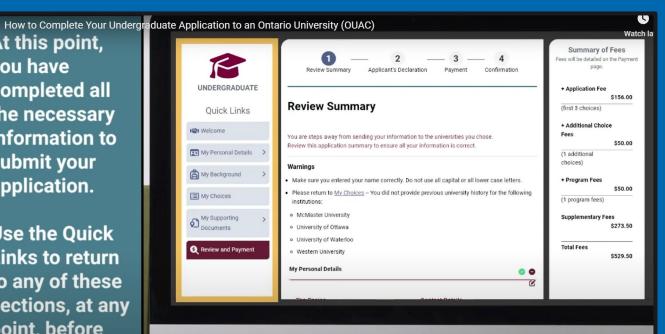
# Current Ontario high school students:

Grades and academic information sent by your high school will display in Academic Information 1-2 business days after you submit your application.



At this point, you have completed all the necessary information to submit your application.

**Use the Quick** Links to return to any of these sections, at any point, before submitting your application.



# Review

Pay

### Step 3: Pay

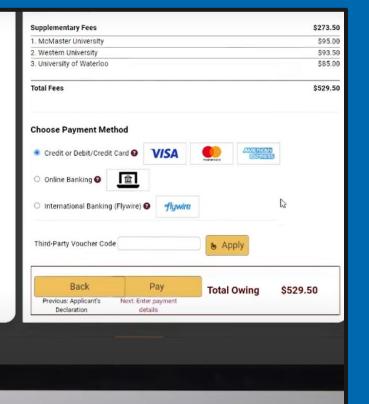
The OUAC accepts a variety of payment methods, including credit or debit card, online banking and international payment options.

McMaster University (ME)		\$50.00	
2. University of Ottawa (OVC)	(1 program fees)		
Western University (EE)			
	Supplementary Fees		
Additional Choice Fees	\$50.00 S	273.5	
University of Waterloo (WK)	\$50.00		
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3. University of Waterloo	\$85.00		
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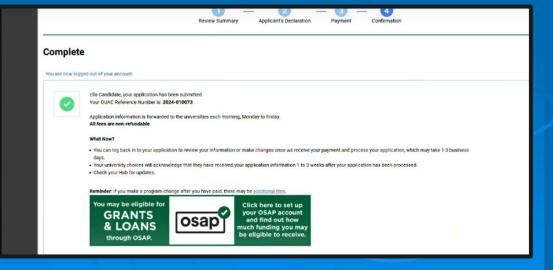
Select a payment option and click "Pay" to complete your application.

### Notes:

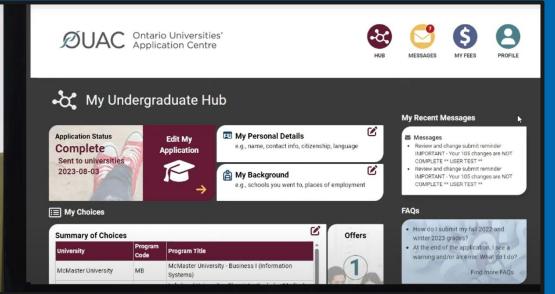
Once you click "Pay", you will not be able to log back in and make changes to your application until the OUAC receives your payment.

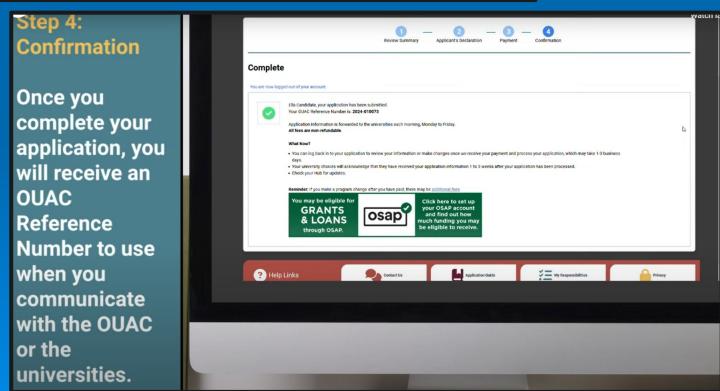


You will receive an email to acknowledge your application was successfully submitted.



You can log back in to add or delete program choices, edit your application information and respond to offers of admission.





# Points to Remember



- OEN is needed (9 digit # found in myMRH at top of schedule, or a report card)
- Schools upload marks to OUAC so you do not need to attach transcripts, unless you are applying to schools outside of Ontario

### Applying to Out-of-Province Universities

# Students must apply directly to Out-Of-Province Universities and follow their application deadlines

### The following universities are connected to OUAC:

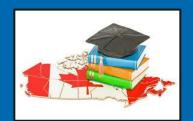
- Acadia
- Dalhousie
- Bishop's
- ➤ McGill

> UBC

Saint Mary's

Calgary

- Simon Fraser
- Concordia
- Victoria



- If you are applying to one of these universities and are also applying to Ontario universities, enter your OUAC reference # when indicated on the application. That way, the university will have access to your marks (you only get an OUAC reference # if you also apply to an Ontario University)
- If you are applying to one of these universities and not applying to Ontario universities, you must contact Mrs. Brownrigg to send your transcript to the university (after you have applied)
- For any other out-of-province university not on this list, you must contact Mrs.Brownrigg at Kimberly.Brownrigg@ocsb.ca and she will send your transcript to the university (after you have applied)

# <u>University Entrance Requirements</u> <u>Go to myblueprint.ca/ocsb (post-secondary planner)</u>

Each University will issue their own entrance requirements. Within each University, there are different entrance requirements for each program offered. It is essential to consult University Calendars, and the University web sites to determine specific entrance requirements.

### General Guidelines

Ontario Universities will require a combination of 6 Gr.12 University (U) or University/College (M) courses, including prerequisites. The average of these 6 courses vary by university programs.

The myblueprint site offers an excellent companion guide to Ontario Universities to help secondary school students and their parents research programs and the requirements.

www.myblueprint.ca/ocsb

### How To Videos For Applying To Ontario Universities

### click links below

How to create your OUAC account



- How to complete your Undergraduate application
- How to edit your application
- How to respond to an offer of admission

### **Carleton University Entrance Requirements**

Architecture - ENG4U, SPH4U, MHF4U

Arts - ENG 4U

Commerce/Int. Business - ENG4U, MHF4U(70%), MCV4U\*

Computer Science - MHF4U, MCV4U

Engineering - MHF4U, SCH4U, SPH4U, one of MCV4U, SBI4U, SES4U

Global/International Studies - ENG4U

Health Sciences - MHF4U, 2 of SBI4U, SCH4U, SES4U, SPH4U - MCV4U

Industrial Design – MHF4U, SPH4U, MCV4U, AVI4M, TDJ4M

Journalism - ENG4U (if Health Science-Math 4U, SBI4U or SCH4U)

Mathematics - MHF4U, MCV4U

**Public Affairs/Policy Management** – Any 6U/M courses

Sciences - MHF4U, 2 of SBI4U, SCH4U, SPH4U, SES4U - MCV4U

Social Work - Any 6 U/M courses - ENG4U

These courses are needed plus a combination of the student's best Gr.12 U/M courses to total 6

#### Recommended

\* For Commerce/Int.Business, if no Calculus in HS, student can get conditional acceptance but will need to take MATH 0009 at Carleton



#### **uOttawa** Entrance Requirements

Arts - ENG4U

Business - ENG4U, MHF4U, MCV4U



- \*Software Engineering ENG4U, MHF4U, MCV4U, One of SBI4U, SCH4U, SPH4U, ICS4U
- Sciences ENG4U, MHF4U, MCV4U, 2 of SBI4U, SCH4U, SPH4U, SES4U
- Health Sciences ENG4U, SBI4U, SCH4U, 1 of MHF4U, MCV4U, SPH4U
- •Human Kinetics (BHK) ENG4U, one 4U Math, 2 of SBI4U, SCH4U, SPH4U, SPH3U
- ■Human Kinetics (BScHK) ENG4U, MHF4U, MCV4U, SBI4U, one of SCH4U, SPH4U, SPH3U
- ■Nursing ENG4U, SBI4U, SCH4U, one of MCF3M, MCR3U or one Math 4U
- Nutrition Science ENG4U, SBI4U, SCH4U, one Math 4U

#### Social Sciences - ENG4U

- Economics ENG4U, MHF4U, MCV4U (recommended)
- ■Psychology (BSC) ENG4U, MHF4U, 2 of SBI4U, SCH4U, SPH4U, MCV4U (recommended)

# These courses are needed plus a combination of the student's best U/M courses to total 6

- Can take this course the summer before or first term of Program. Recommended to take in high school
  - \* For software engineering, a 70% minimum is needed for each pre-requisite course



# Rounds Of Ontario University Offers

#### First Round of Conditional Offers (usually starting end of November/December)

Any completed grade 12 courses (from summer school or last year), Grade 11 prerequisite marks and semester 1 midterm marks. For this round, Carleton & uOttawa will look at 5 total courses. Universities will also look at midterm marks from semester 1 if they are available when you apply.

#### Second Round of Conditional Offers (usually starting end of February)

Any grade 12 completed courses and possibly a gr.11 prerequisite grade (ENG4U is sem.2-they may look at gr.11 English)

#### **Third Round of Conditional Offers (end of April)**

Grade 12 marks only

#### May 29, 2024

The latest date for Ontario universities to send a response of the following:

- An offer of admission
- A refusal
- A deferral until receipt of final grades or other info.

#### June 3, 2024

Students have until this date to accept an offer

# <u>Remember</u>

Offers are not final until 6 U/M courses are completed including prerequisites for program

# First Year Entrance Scholarships - uOttawa and Carleton Admission Average = Scholarship Average

#### **Carleton**

80-84.9% = \$1000

85-89.9% = \$2000

90-94.9% = \$3000

95% + = \$4000

#### <u>uOttawa</u>

85-89.9% = \$1000

90-94.9% = \$2000

95% + = \$3000

- Entrance scholarships can be adjusted if average goes up
- Students with 90+ ave. & extra-curriculars should apply for Prestige Scholarships
- At uOttawa, students must maintain an 85+ average to keep scholarship
- At Carleton, students must maintain admission average to keep scholarship

Students should check other University websites for scholarships available to them



# Other Important Information

- Students do not need to accept an Ontario University offer until June 3.
- Easiest way to pay application fee is by credit card
- Students should accept offers on OUAC or Ontario colleges website
- > Applicants can only have one acceptance to an offer on file at a time
- > At uOttawa, students can have more than one offer on file in OUAC
- At Carleton, applicants can only have one offer on file at a time. Applicants should put the program they want the most first
- If students accept one offer, they may cancel this offer and accept another one
- Portfolio program offers are usually not made until May
- If applying to out-of-province universities or colleges, email Mrs. Brownrigg at kimberly.brownrigg@ocsb.ca so that she can send a copy of your transcript
- ➤ If applying to post-secondary institutions outside of Canada, see your counsellor
- Transcripts will automatically be uploaded to OUAC and ontariocolleges. It is the students' responsibility to make sure marks are accurate

# Applying To Ontario Colleges

# Go to www.ontariocolleges.ca to apply

- students need to apply before Feb.1, 2024 to have equal consideration
- click "apply now" & create a username/password
- complete required info. & activate account
- log into your account & complete your profile
- application fee is \$110.00 for five choices, max 3 per college)
- students will need their OEN number to apply (9 digit # found at the top of schedule in mystudentinfo)
- students must accept offer by May 1 or risk losing offer

There are different entrance requirements for each program offered:

- -specific academic prerequisites (usually Gr. 12 College English, Math, Biology, Chemistry)
- the completion of an essay, test, or questionnaire
- the submission of a portfolio, medical form

# Applying To Ontario Colleges Cont.

Click here For Information On How To Apply To Ontario Colleges

#### **Important Dates**

- October: Applications become available for programs starting the following fall.
- ➤ February 1: Equal Consideration Date apply to programs on or before this date, especially highly competitive programs.
- > February 1: Colleges may begin sending offers of admission.
- May 1: Deadline to confirm offers (colleges may extend offers after this date).
- Mid-June: Tuition deposit payment due.
- marks will automatically be uploaded into ontariocolleges and it is the student's responsibility to make sure marks are there and accurate
- students must accept their offer at ontariocolleges.ca by May 1st

# Click Here For Highly Competitive Programs

#### One Year (Certificate)

Action Sports Parks Development
Baking & Pastry Arts
Bookkeeping/Accounting
Practices
Business Fundamentals
Carpentry/Renovation Techniques
Culinary Skills
\*Dental Assisting
Design Foundations
Drawing Foundations For
Animation/Illustration
General Arts & Science

Human Services Foundations Mechanical Techniques (Plumbing)

Medical Device Reprocessing Music, Media, Film Office Admin Performing Arts Personal Support Worker

Pre-Health Science

Sommelier

Urban Forestry Vet Assistant

#### 2 Years (Diploma)

#### \*Aircraft Maintenance

Architectural Technician Aviation Management Baking & Pastry Arts Broadcasting

**Business-Accounting** 

Business-Agriculture
Business-Management/Entrepreneurship

Business-Marketing

\*Cardiovascular Technology

\*Community & Justice Services

Computer Programming
Computer Systems Technician

Construction Engineering Technician

**Culinary Management** 

**Developmental Services Worker** 

Early Childhood Education

Electrical Engineering Technician

Electromechanical Engineering

Technician

Fitness & Health Promotion

Hairstyling

Heritage Carpentry & Joinery

Horticultural Industries

Hospitality-Management (Hotel/Restaurant)

Interactive Media Design

Interior Decorating

Journalism

Law Clerk

Library & Information Technician

#### 2 Years (Diploma Cont.)

Manufacturing Engineering Technician

Mobile Application Design/Dev

Occupational Therapist Assistant (Physiotherapy Assistant)

Office Administration

Outdoor Adventure

\*Paramedic

Photography

Police Foundations

\*Powerline Technician

\*Practical Nursing

**Professional Writing** 

**Public Relations** 

Recreation/Leisure Services

\*Social Service Worker

Tourism

\*Veterinary Technician

Web Development

#### 3 Years (Advanced Diploma)

Advertising/Marketing

\*Animation

Applied Museum Studies Architectural Technology

\*BioTechnology

**Business Administration** 

Child & Youth Care

Civil Engineering Technology

#### **Advanced Diploma Cont.**

Computer Engineering Technology

\*Computer Programming/Analysis

Computer Systems Technology

\*Dental Hygiene

\*Electrical Engineering Technology

**Game Development** 

**Graphic Design** 

Massage Therapy

Mechanical Engineering Technology

\*Medical Radiation Technology

\*Respiratory Therapy

#### 4 Years (Univ. Degree)

Automation/Robotics Engineering

**Building Science** 

**Business Admin** 

(Trades Management)

Commerce

**Culinary Arts** 

**Digital Marketing** 

Early Learning/Comm. Dev.

Event, Sport, Entertainment

Hospitality/Tourism

Info. Technology

Interior Design

Public Safety

Science (Building)

Science (Nursing)

**Technology** 

# **AC-HPAT Test**

# (Health Program Admissions Test - 3 hours)

**Sample Questions** 

#### Format:

- Essay 50 minute timed essay
- Reading Comprehension Multiple Choice
- Arithmetic Multiple Choice
- ➤ Grade 11/12 Sciences (60 questions/Multiple Choice)

SBI3C (25 Multiple Choice), SCH4C (25 Multiple Choice), SPH4C (10 Multiple Choice)

- > \$50 fee
- Must write HPAT by Feb.15th, 2024 to be considered for Fall 2024 (first-come-first-served after that)
- Students are ranked for their program based on HPAT results



#### **Programs Requiring HPAT Test**

- Cardiovascular Technology
- Dental Assisting
- Dental Hygiene
- Medical Radiation Technology
- Occupational Therapist Assistant
- > Paramedic
- Practical Nursing
- Respiratory Therapy
- Veterinary Technician

# Pre-Health Science Program (Algonquin College)



# **Program Eligibility**

ENG4C/U (65% or higher), MBF3C (65% or higher)

- A one year program that allows you to transfer into one of the programs below.
- > Students meet the eligibility requirements for the programs below.
- Students should apply to the programs below as a first option (if requirements are met) and Pre-Health Science as a second option (as a first option if requirements below are not met)

#### Certificate/Diploma Programs

- Dental Assisting
- Fitness & Health Promotion
- OT/Physiotherapist Assistant
- Paramedic
- Practical Nursing
- Pre-Service Firefighter
- Veterinary Assistant

#### Advanced Diploma Programs/Degrees

- Biotechnology
- Cardiovascular Technology
- Dental Hygiene
- Massage Therapy
- Medical Radiation Technology
- Respiratory Therapy

Students may be eligible for various degree programs:

- Nursing at uOttawa
- Human Kinetics at uOttawa
- Health Sciences at uOttawa/Queen's University

#### **OPEN HOUSES**

#### **University of Ottawa**

Saturday, November 4th, 2023 from 8am to 5pm

- Meet with professors and current students
- Learn all about their exciting programs



#### **Carleton University**

Saturday, November 4th, 2023 from 9:30 am to 4pm

- > Explore a wide range of programs and chat with professors
- Discover the many student services available
- Tour the campus, labs and facilities
- Meet with current students



#### Algonquin College

Saturday, November 4th, 2024 from 10am - 2pm

- Meet with professors and current students
- Ask questions about programs, support services and student life
- Tour the College
- Speak with representatives from the Perth, Pembroke and Online Campuses
- Apply to a program at the application station



# **GAP YEAR**



- Are you uncertain about next year?
- Do you want to take a Gap Year? <u>Discover Year</u> might be for you.
- Check out the website to learn how Discover Year is helping young adults thrive in their lives after high school. <u>Click here to find out more</u>



# Apprenticeships and Skilled Trades Pathway

**Next Steps After Graduation** 

## What are the Skilled Trades and Apprenticeships?

#### What is a skilled trade?

Career path that requires hands-on work and specialty knowledge.

#### Benefits of a career in the skilled trades include:

- in-demand jobs and great earning potential
- using cutting-edge technology
- being paid while you learn on-the-job
- many paths to advance
- transferable skills



When people think about the skilled trades, several immediately probably spring to mind such as; electrician, plumber, welder or carpenter, for example. But opportunities in the skilled trades are much more extensive totalling 144 different professions. From hairstylist to cook, painter to landscaper, automotive service technician to crane operator – and so many more.

Please see this <u>List of Trades in Ontario</u> to learn more.

## What are the Skilled Trades and Apprenticeships?

To become a skilled tradesperson you must first become an apprentice.

**Apprenticeship** is an agreement between an individual (apprentice) who wants to learn a trade and an employer who is an experienced worker.

- It is a way to learn job skills while you work and get paid.
- Earn while you learn! Apprenticeship combines classroom study with on-the-job experience and training that lets you earn a living while you learn a skilled trade.
- An apprenticeship program leads to professional certification as a journeyperson.
- Check out <u>skilled trades by sector</u>.



# **Getting Started in the Trades**

# **High School:**

Investigate courses and programs to find an area that interests you.

Co-operative education is available to students in Gr. 11-12 and can provide valuable on the job experiences for your future apprenticeship in addition to earning credits.

Talk to your Guidance Counsellor or Co-op Teacher about the **OYAP Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program.** 

Also consider courses available through the Algonquin Dual Credit Program.



# **Getting Started in the Trades**

#### **After High School:**



# Go Directly Into the Trades:

To become a skilled trades person you must first become an apprentice.

Here are some helpful links to start the process of becoming an apprentice:

ontario.ca/page/apprenticeship-ontario

ontario.ca/page/skilled-trades

Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development

<u>careersintrades.ca/</u>

## Getting Started in the Trades

#### After High School:



# Post Secondary Training First

Have an interest in the trades but want to gain more knowledge and experience first?

Try a college program in a skilled trade or a pre-trades program. Here is a great resource for Ontario college programs in the trades:

ontariocolleges.ca/en/apply/skilled-trades

Here are some examples of skilled trades related programs at Algonquin College:

**Hospitality, Tourism and Wellness** 

Pre-Trades

**Skilled Trades Programs** 

**Transportation and Automotive** 

# Once You Have Started an Apprenticeship:

#### In School Training Portion

For most trades, to complete an apprenticeship, you will likely need to **complete an in-class portion** of your training. **You will not be able to register for this until you have been accepted as an apprentice** and started your training.

Below is the link to the Apprenticeship training programs offered at Algonquin College as an example: <a href="mailto:algonquincollege.com/ro/plan-getting-accepted-into-college/apprenticeships/">algonquincollege.com/ro/plan-getting-accepted-into-college/apprenticeships/</a>

Once you have completed your apprenticeship, many trades require a provincial **Certificate of Qualification** exam.

Many trades also offer a **Red Seal** exam which allows you to work as a tradesperson across Canada.

For more information visit: <a href="mailto:ontario.ca/page/finish-apprenticeship">ontario.ca/page/finish-apprenticeship</a>

# Financial Aid



- University Entrance Scholarships Automatic based on marks
- See University website or FINANCE tab at: ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca for other scholarships
- Bursaries Check out the awards & financial aid section of the College/University
- School/Board awards applications will be available semester 2
- > scholartree.ca
- scholarshipscanada.com
- Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP) Student Loan
- OSAP Grants money you do not have to pay back
- ➤ OSAP Aid Estimator (find out how much \$\$ you are eligible for)

## Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)



#### What is OSAP?

- Federal & Provincial Funding To Offset Post-Secondary Costs
- A combination of Loans and Grants
- The Loan portion needs to be paid back after completion of program
- Grants do not need to be paid back
- ➤ It is possible to apply for OSAP and only accept the Grant portion

#### How Do I Apply?

- Go to ontario.ca/OSAP
- Click on the OSAP Aid Estimator to find out how much you might be eligible for
- Click on Register button to get started
- Complete New User Registration
- Link to your OCAS or OUAC account
- Create OSAP profile
- Start OSAP application
- > Processing time is 3-6 weeks once all paperwork is submitted/uploaded
- > Application should be submitted at least 6 weeks prior to start of classes
- Application is usually available in April/May or sooner
- Once submitted, you need to complete the MSFAA (Master Student Financial Assistance Agreement) - agreement to pay back the loan
- Student will usually receive 60% of loan/grant semester 1 and 40% semester 2

#### **OSAP** Continued



#### What Determines How Much Students Are Eligible For?

Allowable Educational Costs (tuition, fees, books, living expenses, travel)

Expected Financial Contribution (income, assets, scholarships, etc.)

Calculated Financial Need (OSAP Grants and Loans)

#### What Is Needed To Apply For OSAP?

- Student and Parent/Guardian Social Insurance Number
- Student and Parent/Guardian Tax Return from 2022
- School and Program Information

# Websites



stmarkgrad.com (information for Graduates)
scholartree.ca
scholarshipscanada.com
myblueprint.ca/ocsb
ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca
ouac.on.ca
ontariocolleges.ca
campustour.ca
OSAP

# Reminder



Students should be doing Post-Secondary research now

Ontario University Applications take place from Oct - Jan.15th ouac.on.ca

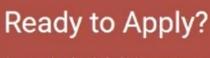
Ontario College Applications Take Place from Nov-February 1st ontariocolleges.ca

Counsellors: Mrs. Rocha (A-F) Mr. DeCoste (G-N) Mrs. Wilson (O-Z)



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Getting Help



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

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