

# Corpus Christi

## Applying Online to Ontario's Colleges

OCAS Online Application for Ontario Secondary School Students

[www.ontariocolleges.ca](http://www.ontariocolleges.ca)

# Why choose college?

- Diversity of programs and locations
- Tuition savings
- Smaller class sizes
- Hands on work experience
- 84% of students found employment within 6 months of graduation
- 40% of all new jobs created in the next decade will be in the skilled trades and technology
- The number of university grads enrolled in colleges has increased by more than 40% over 5 years
- Offer University degree programs with easier access than University
- University transfer programs & joint programs with Universities

# Thinking about College Programs

- College programs combine academic and applied learning with employment preparation in some of the following areas:
  - Applied Arts, Business, Health and Human Services and Technology
- May be a transition pathway:
  - **General Arts and Science Program** for **two years**  
and then transfer to university (check transfer agreements)

# Diploma Programs

- Two or three years in special career related area
- Will usually require:
  - Grade 12 English
  - Graduation from high school
  - Senior level courses
- Some programs may require specific courses such as:
  - Biology, Tech Math, grade 11 or 12 Math

# Joint Programs

- Earn a degree and a diploma at the same time from the partner schools in four years (college and university components)
- Prerequisites are based on degree requirements (i.e. 6 U/M credits)
  - e.g. Nursing – George Brown/Ryerson

# Specialized Degree Programs

- 4 years of academic study and applied practical experiences
- Requires 6 Grade 12 U or M courses
- i.e. Sheridan College – BBA – Bachelor of Business Administration

# Entrance Requirements for Diploma Programs

- Based on all Grade 11 and 12 marks including Co-op
- Averages are usually 65% or above
- Highly competitive programs are much higher\*\*
- Prerequisite courses marks are included
- May prefer a good grade in College English and Math courses instead of a mediocre grade in the University level

# Graduation Requirements

- Refer to your Credit Counselling Summary or MyBlueprint
- 30 credits (18 compulsory and 12 elective) by end of JUNE
- 40 hours community service by: April 2020
- successful completion of Literacy Test



# “TO DO LIST” FOR COLLEGE APPLICATION

- College websites and viewbooks
- Campus visits!!!! Very important
- On-line application tutorial (see OCAS website)
- Guidance bulletin boards
- Guidance Counsellors, teachers, parents

# Financial Assistance

- Scholarships
  - [studentawards.com](http://studentawards.com)
  - [scholarshipscanada.com](http://scholarshipscanada.com)
  - parent employers
  - check College entrance scholarships
- Bursaries
- Awards i.e. Graduation
- OSAP: on-line applications available in fall of 2019
  - [Ontario.ca/osap](http://Ontario.ca/osap)

# Important Dates



- October 2019: Online Application Opens
- February 1, 2020: Equal Consideration Date. (After this date, a first-come, first-served basis until programs are full). Note that applications to Highly Competitive Programs must be received by this date in order to be considered
- Complete applications well before the Equal Consideration Date, as website volumes on the online application are at their highest at this time
- May 1, 2020: Deadline to Confirm Offers of Admission (Log in to your [ontariocolleges.ca](http://ontariocolleges.ca) account to confirm your offer)
- Colleges may extend offers of admission after this date
- Mid-June 2020: Tuition Deposit Due at the Colleges

# When applying...

- Have a valid and suitable email address
- Know your Ontario Education Number (left of student number on timetable)
- Know your full address (including postal code)
- Have a (parent/guardian) credit card number (expiry date and cvv number) if paying online or by phone
- **“Next business day”** - could take up to 10 days to process
- Check if you should be applying through OUAC or OCAS (joint, collaborative or degree)

# APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Log in to your account.
- Fill in your personal information and educational history.
- Add your program choices.
- Request your **transcripts**. (These are sent automatically. Be sure to check that all courses show up)
- Pay the application processing fee and any transcript fees.
- Log back in to verify your transcript information, or to make changes or updates to your application.
- Log back in after February 1 to view and **confirm offers of admission**.

For a step-by-step tour of the secure online application,  **download the user guide** .

# Additional Important info

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The first step in applying to college is to research the programs and colleges available to you. If you have not already decided what programs you are applying to, see our [College Map](#) to find a campus near you, browse our [Find a Program](#) tool to see all college programs offered in Ontario, go directly to [college websites](#) for more details about their programs, and consider attending a [College Information Program](#) event to meet college representatives in person.

The next step is to create an account with [ontariocolleges.ca](#) and begin your college application.

### Your ontariocolleges.ca Account

If you have never applied through [ontariocolleges.ca](#) before, click the "Create an Account" button to get started. Your [ontariocolleges.ca](#) account allows you to

- Apply to any of **Ontario's 28 public colleges**
- Review and update your college application
- Request Ontario high school transcripts (from [participating schools](#))
- Request Ontario college/university transcripts
- View and accept offers of admission

### Important Info Before You Apply

- The **application processing fee** is \$95.00 (non-refundable).
- An application allows you up to 5 program choices (no more than 3 at any one college).
- All program choices must start within the same academic year (August-July).
- There may be additional fees to request transcripts.
- Your username is permanent.
- Your password must be between 8 and 14 characters in length.
- Use a valid email address.
- DO NOT create more than one account.
- The application works best in **certain web browsers**.

Ready to start your application?

[Create an Account](#)

[Log In](#)

to your account to complete your application, make changes or confirm offers of admission.



# Other points to remember

- **NIGHT SCHOOL/SUMMER SCHOOL /PRIVATE COURSES-IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO KEEP US INFORMED**
- **LISTEN TO ANNOUNCEMENTS OR READ THEM IN THE ATRIUM**
- **PRINT OUT WHAT YOU ARE ABLE TO AND KEEP IT. ESPECIALLY YOUR OCAS Reference# once you pay**
- **TOFEL - for students that have come from other countries outside of North America**
- **Check your account for emails from the colleges if this is required.**
- **Most colleges require an English and/or Math placement test**

# How to Apply



# Create an Account

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APPLY TODAY. CHANGE TOMORROW.

### NEW USER

Legal Name (as it appears on your health card or passport)

Date of Birth

Email Address (this will also be your username)

Password

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**Fill in this information carefully.**

You can only make changes to your first name, last name and date of birth by contacting ontariocolleges.ca.

**Please provide a valid email address.**

ontariocolleges.ca and the colleges will use it to communicate important information about your application.

# Create an Account

## Password

### Password

### Minimum password requirements

8 to 14 characters

1 letter

1 number

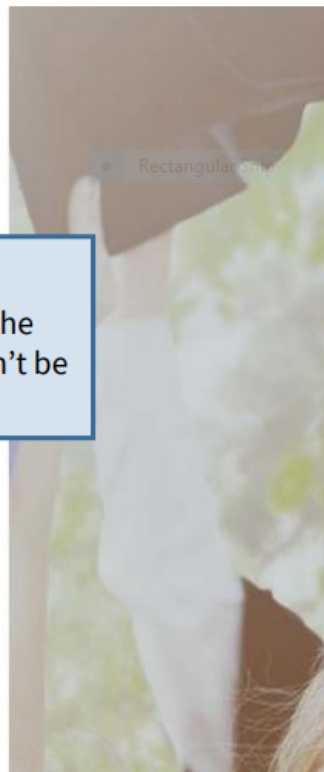
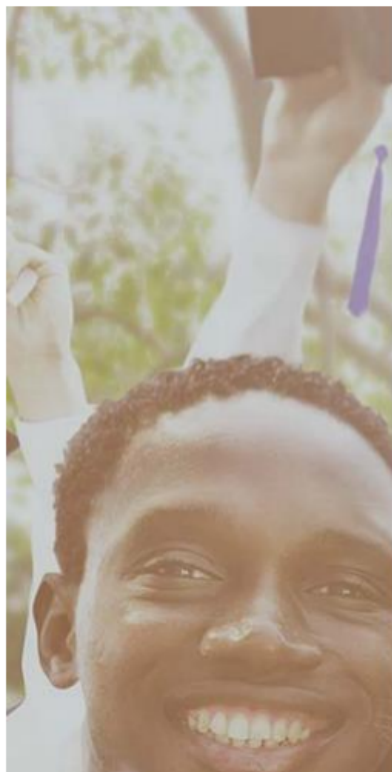
### Password Requirements

If your password does not meet the minimum requirements, you won't be able to create an account.

### Password Recovery

#### 1st Recovery Question and Answer

#### 2nd Recovery Question and Answer



# Create an Account

## Password Recovery Questions



### Password Recovery

#### 1st Recovery Question and Answer

Please select a question

Answer

#### 2nd Recovery Question and Answer

Please select a question

Answer

#### 3rd Recovery Question and Answer

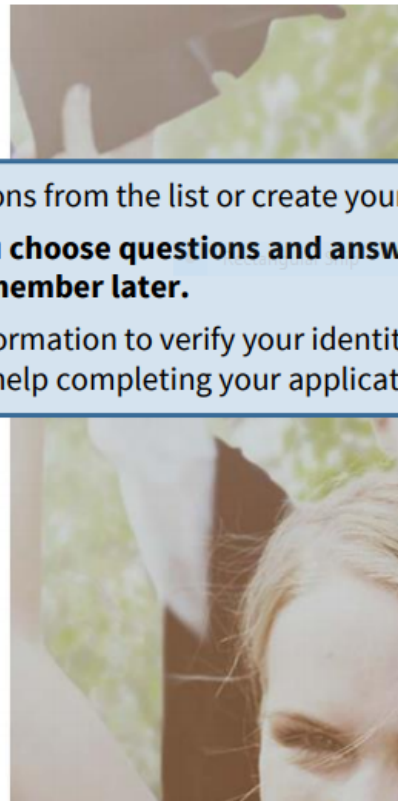
Please select a question

Answer

I have read and understand the Personal Information Privacy statement on the [ontariocolleges.ca](http://ontariocolleges.ca) / OCAS website and hereby authorize OCAS Application Services Inc. (OCAS) to collect, use and disclose my academic and registration information in accordance with the purposes set out in such statement.

Choose questions from the list or create your own.  
**Make sure you choose questions and answers that you'll remember later.**

We use this information to verify your identity if you contact us for help completing your application.



# Activate Your Account



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### Account Created!

In order to access your application you must first activate your account. Your account information and an activation link have been sent to your email address (sarahstudent@mailinator.com).

An account activation email will be sent to the email address you entered when you created your account. Click the link in the email to activate your account.



# Successful Account Activation



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### CONGRATULATIONS!

Your account sarahstudent@mailinator.com has been activated successfully.

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Once your account has been activated successfully, click the button to log in to your account.

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# Log into Your Account



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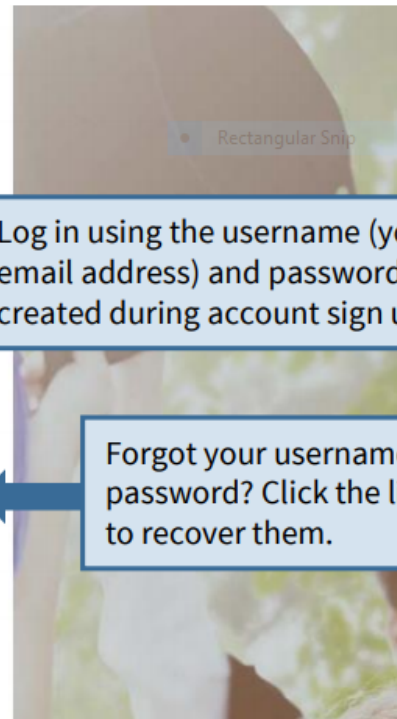
### Log in with your existing account

Email Address or Username

Password

[Forgot your password or username?](#)

Log In



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Log in using the username (your email address) and password you created during account sign up.

Forgot your username or password? Click the link to recover them.

# Applicant Dashboard

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? Have a question?  
HELP

William Byers | Account Number:210021688641 (Active) | Edit Access Account

Logout

## My Home

### My Profile

Personal Information

Contact Information

Authorized Users

Citizenship and Residency

Education

Financial Support

Experience

### My Applications

### Activity History

## Applicant Dashboard

Click **My Applications** in the left navigation

Start Your College Application

Start your college application from this screen.

## Message Centre

⚠ Currently, you have no messages. Be sure to check back later.

### Message Centre

Important information about your application is found here. Check regularly.

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# Application Tutorial (Link from OCAS)

<https://www.ontariocolleges.ca/documents/applicant-tutorial.pdf>



# Need Assistance?

- Call 1-888-892-2228
- Email [ask-us@ontariocolleges.ca](mailto:ask-us@ontariocolleges.ca)
- If you have an IEP or need support services they are available at all Ontario Colleges, but it is your responsibility to find out about them. Contact the College and ask to speak to the Student Support Office. Also speak to your SERT.
- Also check this website for students with disabilities. <http://www.transitionresourceguide.ca/>
- Speak to your Guidance Counsellor.