Grade 12 Assembly

Agenda

- What You Need to Graduate/Exit Interview
- Important Dates
- University Information Program: Corpus Christi University Fair:

Tues. Nov. 23 from 9:30-11:30am (cafeteria and atrium students only). This is scheduled to be an in-person event. Students are encouraged to attend the Virtual Ontario Universities' Fair on Oct. 26th in case this event gets cancelled.

- Ontario Universities' Fair: Virtual Fair Tues. Oct. 26, 5-7pm visit ontariouniversitiesfair.ca to register and for schedule information.
- College MONDAYS runs from October 4 –November 29 register at ontariocollegesfair.ca
- College Virtual Fair Nov. 24th through Corpus Christi more information to following
- University Applications
- College Applications
- Important Websites

Who is my Counsellor?

A – F Ms. Kelenc kelencv@hcdsb.org
G – M Mrs. Clarke clarkeE3@hcdsb.org
N – Z Mr. Papa papad@hcdsb.org

Exit Plan

Students will receive the Grade 12 Exit Form by email. We ask that students fill out this form and send it to their Guidance Counsellor by October 29th, 2021.

If you wish to make an appointment with your counsellor, please email Mrs. Grafton at graftonj@hcdsb.org (include the type of appointment you prefer in-person, phone, email or Teams call).

Graduation Requirements

- ✓ Total credits: You must have 30 credits to graduate (18 compulsory, 12 electives (repeats only count as one credit and you must have successfully earned the credit with a mark of 50% or above)
- √ Literacy Test (pass is a L3)
- ✓ Community Service Hours (20 hours for this year's graduates ONLY- must be approved by your Counsellor before you start your placement). All hours due May 1, 2022, to Student Services.

^{*}See information regarding Ministry of Education updates pertaining to community hours and literacy test requirements for this year's potential grads.

Important Graduation Requirement Information

- Graduation Requirements based on <u>Ministry of Education</u> updates
- Students graduating in the 2021-22 school year are exempt from the literacy requirement
- For the 2021-22 school year, The Ministry of Education is revising the 40-hour community involvement graduation requirement so that students will not be adversely impacted by the ongoing challenges related to covid-19.
- For students graduating in the 2021-22 school year, the community involvement graduation requirement will be reduced to a minimum of 20 hours of community involvement activities.
 Please visit cccss.ca – Students – Student Services – Community Services for more information and forms.

Graduate Requirements

What do you need to graduate from high school?

18 compulsory credits

Students must earn the following compulsory credits to obtain the Ontario Secondary School Diploma:

4 credits in English (1 credit per grade)*

- credits in mathematics (1 credit in Grade 11 or 12)
- 2 credits in science
- 1 credit in Canadian history
- credit in Canadian geography
- 1 credit in the arts
- 1 credit in health and physical education
- 1 credit in French as a second language
- 0.5 credit in career studies
- 0.5 credit in civics

In addition, students must complete:

/	12 optional credits!
1	40 hours of community involvement activities
/	the provincial literacy requirement

Plus one credit from each of the following groups:

Group 1:

- English or French as a second language**
- a Native language
- a classical or international language
- social sciences and the humanities
- Canadian and world studies
- · guidance and career education
- cooperative education***

Group 2:

- health and physical education
- the arts
- business studies
- French as a second language**
- cooperative education***

Group 3:

- · science (Grade 11 or 12)
- technological education
- French as a second language**
- · computer studies
- cooperative education***
- A maximum of 3 credits in English as a second language (ESL) or English literacy development (ELD) may be counted towards the 4 compulsory credits in English, but the fourth must be a credit earned for a Grade 12 compulsory English course.
- In groups 1, 2 and 3, a maximum of 2 credits in French as a second language can count as compulsory credits, one from group 1 and one from either group 2 or group 3.
- *** A maximum of 2 credits in cooperative education can count as compulsory credits.
- * The 12 optional credits may include up to 4 credits earned through approved dual credit courses.





Important Dates

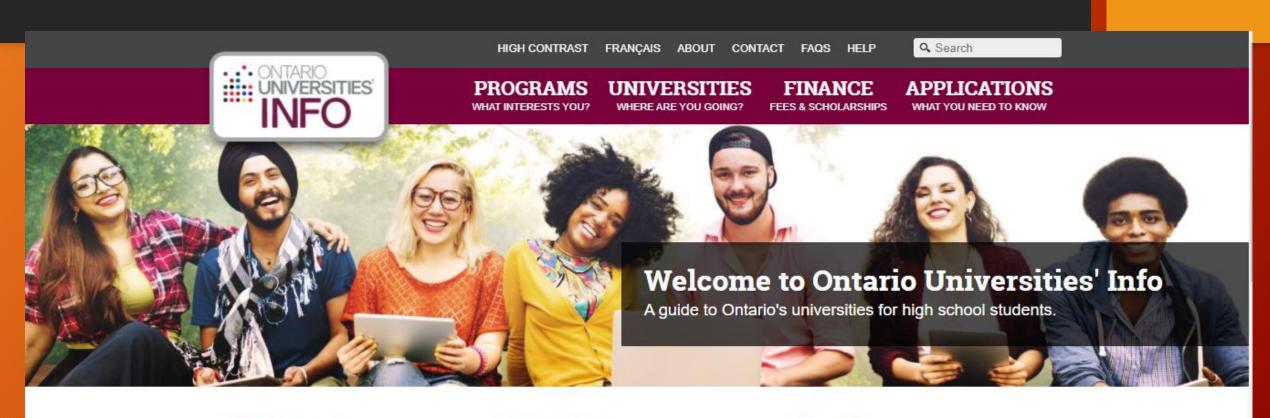
- Ontario Universities' Fair and Regional Fairs 2022 Tues. Oct. 26, 5-7pm VIRTUAL FAIR
- please visit ontariouniversitiesfair.ca for more information on sessions available
- Visit cccss.ca Students Post-Secondary Information for virtual tours and virtual information sessions for both Colleges and Universities
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- Ontario College Virtual Mondays Every Monday runs from October 4 -November 29 there will be four panel groups simultaneously on Zoom, each made up of six to seven colleges. Register at https://www.ontariocolleges.ca/en/colleges/college-recruitment
- College Virtual Fair Nov. 24th through Corpus Christi more information to following
- OUAC Ontario Universities' Application Centre <u>www.ouac.on.ca</u>
 - Deadline to apply to Ontario Universities is Jan. 13, 2022
- OCAS Ontario College Application System <u>www.ontariocolleges.ca</u>
 - Deadline to apply to Ontario Colleges is Feb. 1, 20212

Scholarships and Awards (every scholarship or award has its own deadline)

Ontario Universities Information









Search for your ideal program and

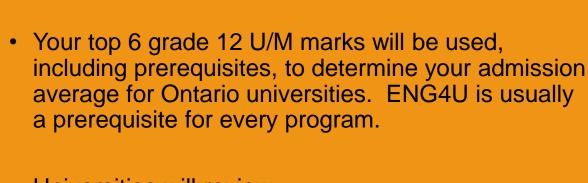
Get to know Ontario's universities

Which application is right for me?

The Application Process for University

- OUAC (Ontario Universities' Application Centre) provides each student
 who is applying to university with a PIN code, which is required to create
 an OUAC account. Student Services will inform you when the PINs arrive
 and are ready for pick-up.
- Corpus Christi Student Services will go over the application process in late October.
- You will apply to Ontario universities on the OUAC website using this PIN.
 Instructions on how to apply are enclosed with your PIN.
- You can apply to 3 universities. They will charge \$150.00 for processing your application. If you wish to apply to more than 3 universities, there will be an additional charge of \$50.00 per university choice after the 3 choices.
- Deadline for applying January 13th, 2022, WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOUR APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED before Christmas 2021





- Universities will review:
 - Grade 11 marks to determine a possible early admission offer (always conditional upon grade12 marks). There is no separate application for early admission.
- ALL marks are sent electronically you do NOT have to provide a paper transcript to any Ontario university.

OUAC Important Dates 2021/22

November 2021

Access code letters for the OUAC 101 application will be available

January 13th, 2022

Deadline for Ontario high school students to submit their completed application to OUAC.

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

The initial application includes all final grades from completed Grade 11 and 12 courses and a list of all current-year courses in progress.

May 5, 2022

Target date for Ontario universities to receive all midterm/final grades available for 4U/M courses and interim grades for full-year courses from the OUAC. Grades the OUAC receives earlier than the deadline will be sent to Ontario universities when received.

May 27th, 2022

The latest date all high school applicants who submitted their application by the January application deadline can expect a response from an Ontario university. This includes: An offer of admission; a refusal; or a deferral, once additional information is received.

June 1st, 2022

The earliest date an Ontario high school student may be required to respond to an Ontario university offer of admission and give a financial commitment (e.g., registration deposit, residence deposit, etc.).

All other admission-related elements, including scholarships, other forms of student assistance or financial incentives, and offers of residence are considered part of the offer of admission. Therefore, a student may accept these other offers before June 1, 2022, but Ontario universities will not compel a student in any way to make a decision earlier than this date.

https://www.ouac.on.ca/guide/101-dates/

Marks

- Submitted 5 times: October/November, February, April, July and august
- Full disclosure (University and College's see all your grade 11 and 12 grades)
- University: 6 grade 12 U or M level course (ENG4U usually being)
- There are a few programs that require a certain number of U level courses (make sure you check the requirements for the program you are interested in).
- College: Prerequisites and grade 11 and 12 O, C, M or U marks unless you are applying to a University Degree Program (Top 6 U/M grade 12 marks including prerequisites will required)

University Entrance Requirements

 Check Ontario Universities' Info (most up-to-date website for Ontario university programs and requirements)

https://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca/

- Minimum # of courses needed to apply (6 Grade 12 U/M courses)
- What is the admission average based on?
- Pre-requisite courses. i.e., ENG4U
- Do prerequisites courses have a minimum average?
- Additional admission criteria: audition, portfolio, interview, essay, supplementary application



1. Why carry more that 6 grade 12 U/M courses?

Other Considerations



2. Night school/online courses/repeated courses



3. All offers are conditional!!

Important things to know....

- If you are taking a course outside of Corpus Christi it is *your responsibility* to provide Student Services with an official report card.
- Students must tell their guidance counsellor that their mark needs to be updated on OUAC or OCAS (marks from private institutions do not get automatically uploaded).
- Students must submit private school report cards to Student Services by June 1, 2022, to be added for graduation.
- It is the students' responsibility. This is the responsibility of the student to inform the appropriate people to have all required courses.
- If you plan on retaking a course, please note that you will not receive two credits. It will show as a repeat.

Out of Province Affiliates

The OUAC assists the following out-ofprovince institutions in collecting academic data for Ontario secondary school students who have applied through the OUAC: **Acadia University**

Bishop's University

The University of British Columbia

The University of Calgary

Concordia University

Dalhousie University

Students who complete an application form for these out-of-province universities can provide authorization for a university to request their academic information from the OUAC. To provide authorization, the applicant must include their 11-digit OUAC Reference Number on the institution's application form. Note: In all cases, the eleventh digit should be "0".

Royal Military College

Applying to the Royal Military College of Canada

 The Royal Military College of Canada (RMCC), located in Kingston, Ontario, is not part of the OUAC's processing service. A separate form, along with additional application materials, must be obtained from a Canadian Forces Recruiting Centre. Call the Canadian Forces Recruiting Centre at 1-800-856-8488 or visit the RMCC website at: www.rmcc-cmrc.ca.

University Application – Next Steps

1

You will receive a letter from OUAC that will include the following:

- school number
- student number
- PIN

2

The cost to apply for this year has not been released yet. however last year it was \$150 for 3 choices; \$50 for each additional choice 3

Apply On-line by January 13th, 2022

4

Please note OUAC will be sending PINs to Corpus. Student Services will announce when they arrive for you to pick them up.

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)
- https://www.ontransfer.ca

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
 - Make sure you do your research for program requirements ontariocolleges.ca

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

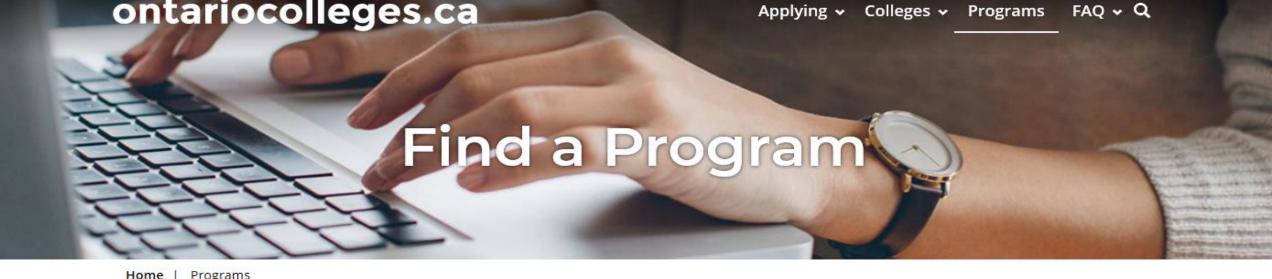
May prefer a good grade in College English and Math courses instead of a mediocre grade in the University level

Joint Programs

 Earn a degree and a diploma at the same time from the partner schools in four years (college and university components)

Degree Programs

- 4 years of academic study and applied practical experiences
- Requires 6 Grade 12 U or M courses including the appropriate prerequisites
- Ex. Bachelor or Nursing (Humber), Bachelor of Animation (Sheridan)



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Explore by category: **Business, Finance &** Agriculture, Animal & **Arts & Culture Related Practices** Administration Computers & Culinary, Hospitality, **Career & Preparation Telecommunications Recreation & Tourism Education, Community Energy, Environmental & Engineering &** & Social Services **Natural Resources Technology**

College Application Process

- You will apply to college on the following website: <u>www.ontariocolleges.ca</u>
- There is no PIN (personal identification number) required to apply.
- You can apply to 5 colleges (no more then 3 programs for one college). There is a \$95.00 processing fee.
- Colleges will use both grade 11 and 12 courses to determine admission.
- All marks are sent electronically. You do NOT have to provide a paper transcript to any Ontario colleges.
- The deadline for applying is February 1st, 2022.
- It is strongly recommended that you apply as soon as possible for programs that are highly competitive and over subscribed.
- Colleges also have university degree programs. They will require 6 grade 12 u/m courses. You do not apply for these through OUAC you apply through Ontario colleges

Marks

Submitted 4 times: mid September, February, April and July

Full disclosure

For Ontario Universities: 6 grade 12 U or M level course (ENG4U being one for almost all programs, including the programs prerequisites)

For Ontario Colleges: prerequisites and grade 11 and 12 O, C, M or U marks unless you are applying to a University Degree Program (Top 6 U/M grade12 marks with program prerequisites)

OYAP and Specialty Programs

- For those students who are not sure if college or university is their destination right after high school, the HCDSB and the HDSB offer many different types of specialty programs and OYAP programs
- For more information about OYAP programs throughout Halton Region visit:

https://studentsuccess.hcdsb.org/where-do-i-start/ontario-youth-apprenticeship-program-oyap/

www.myblueprint.ca





Specialist high skills major programs at CC include: Arts and Culture, Business, Environmental and Fitness and Health Promotion

To graduate with your SHSM red seal the following graduation requirements must be met:

Each SHSM program offers students a bundle of 8 - 10 credits. These courses are regular Ontario secondary school courses that allow students to work towards their Ontario Secondary School Diploma but have been bundled as the most relevant courses to prepare students for a future in the specific SHSM selected sector.

The bundle includes: • 4 "major" credits in the selected SHSM sector at the Senior level (Grades 11 and 12) and 4 to 5 additional credits including coop

Courses are dependent on the focus of each respective program – contact Lead Teachers or Guidance contacts for information about specific course offerings / requirements.

• Supporting credits, which include Contextualized Learning Activities - opportunities for students to learn the subject in the context of the selected sector.

SHSM Programs offered at Corpus

- Arts and Culture
- Business
- Environmental Science
- Fitness and Health Promotion
- Visit cccss.ca Students Specialist High Skills Majors (SHSM)

Preliminary Preparation

- Keep track of all the activities you have been involved with, led or have been a member of such as:
- Awards (honour roll)
- Extra-curricular activities
- Co-op experiences
- International or educational exchanges
- Part-time jobs
- Academic achievement (aim for >85%)
- School clubs, sports teams, and associations
- Student council (Mentors, Greenhorns, etc.)
- Volunteer work at school or in the community

Scholarships

- Visit our website cccss.ca Students Scholarship Applications
- Follow us on Twitter @Corpus_SS
- www.studentawards.com
- www.scholarshipscanada.com
- www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca
- Many are time sensitive with concrete deadlines so you must be organized
- Many limit the number of applicants per school.
 These will require a nomination process.

Types of Scholarships

Entrance scholarships

 Automatic...based on admission average (80% or higher) and may be renewable (Lakehead U. example)

University/College scholarships needing application

 Check the college/university Financial Aid Office websites or look in Ontario Universities' Info

Foundation scholarships (i.e. Terry Fox, Loran)

- Usually need high academics and outstanding community service or demonstrated leadership
- You may need to be nominated by the school

1) Applying for Scholarships

- Remember: this is a competition so be honest, accurate and complete.
 - Do you qualify?
 - Check the criteria carefully
 - Principal's nomination?
 - Limit on number from each school?
 - Due Dates
 - Postmark date or arrival? (a fax may not be allowed)
 - Count on doing everything a week early
 - Academic Information
 - Official transcript (ask Mrs. Grafton through email at graftonj@hcdsb.org at least a week in advance)
 - Credit counselling summary (ask your guidance counsellor)

2) Applying for Scholarships



References, Principal's Statement, etc.

- -Who to ask? (ask someone in a position of responsibility who will say great things about you)
- -Give them ample time (at least a week) with polite reminders
- -Give them the info. they need: scholarship criteria, your resume
- -Review the letter and ask for revisions diplomatically



Personal Statement, Essay, etc.

- -This takes the place of a face-to-face interview
- -Address the criteria of the school. Write in a formal, direct tone and check for accuracy and clarity
- -Proofread, revise and make it your best effort

3) Applying for Scholarships

- The Application
 - Is the original required?
 - Blank spaces may be viewed as errors if the answer is zero, say 0
 - Type where possible or <u>print neatly in ink</u>
 - Answer all questions to the best of your ability
- Assemble the Package (one week early)
 - Are all pages and documents enclosed?
 - Make a copy of everything
 - Check the order and put in an envelope

OSAP: Ontario Student Assistant Program

- Apply after you have accepted your offer of admission
- OSAP seminar will be held in April/May
- There are also grants and bursaries tied to the OSAP application (these do not have to be paid back)
- Interest free loan while in school full time
- VISIT: https://www.ontario.ca/page/osap-ontariostudent-assistance-program

Thinking About Returning?

 Applications will be available online in February.
 cccss.ca- Students - Student Services - Information by Grade Visit Thomas Merton our Adult and Continuing Education High School at https://merton.hcdsb.org/

Want to take a few extra courses after grade 12?

Do your research!

Visit:

- www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca
- www.ontariocolleges.ca
- www.studentsuccess.hcdsb.org
- www.myblueprint.ca
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