

Welcome Grads!

And so it begins...

Post-Secondary Information Session



APPLYING TO COLLEGE

Key Terms

OCAS: Ontario Colleges Application Services: clearinghouse for all Ontario College applications

Ontario Colleges: Ontario application site and search engine for Ontario colleges/programs

Transmission: electronic transfer of information (demographics, marks etc.) from TDSB data base to OCAS

IMPORTANT DATES

Important Dates

- **October 2022: Online applications for Ontario colleges become available**
- **November 1 2022: Earliest Offer Date**
- **May 1, 2023: Deadline to confirm Offers of Admission**
- **June 2023: Tuition Deposit Due at the Colleges**

Important Dates

FEBRUARY 1, 2023:
DEADLINE FOR EQUAL
CONSIDERATION

How Do I Apply?

www.ontariocolleges.ca

- ✓ **Don't need a PIN**
- ✓ **Can apply in early Oct.**

How Much Does It Cost?

- ✓ **\$110 non-refundable fee for 5 Ontario Colleges (max. of 3 program choices/college)**
- ✓ **Cannot apply to more than 5**
- ✓ **May have supplemental Program Fees**

Ontario College Admission Requirements

- ✓ **OSSD**
- ✓ **Grade 12 English (college or university level)**
- ✓ **Pre-requisite Courses (depending on programs)**
- ✓ **Additional Criteria**

Ontario College Admission Requirements

OSSD (Ontario Secondary School Diploma)

- ✓ **18 compulsory courses**
- ✓ **12 elective courses**
- ✓ **Successful completion of OSSLT (Grade 10 Literacy Test)**
- ✓ **20 Hours of Community Involvement (reduced hours only for this year)**

Ontario College Admission Requirements

Additional Criteria

Supplementary forms (additional cost)

Audition/Interview

Portfolio

Note: Different universities will have different requirements and due dates for the same programs; students **must check [websites/ontariocolleges.ca/view-book](https://www.ontariocolleges.ca/view-book) for details and deadlines.**

Language/Math Requirements

- ✓ **May be required to complete a language and/or math proficiency assessment provided by the college, depending on the program requirements**
- ✓ **Applicants will be contacted after application is registered for booking the assessment**

Ontariocolleges.ca

www.ontariocolleges.ca

- ✓ **Diploma/degree Locator**
- ✓ **Admission Guidelines**
- ✓ ***2021-2022 Admission averages***
- ✓ **Prerequisites**
- ✓ **Additional admission criteria**
- ✓ **Open Houses**
- ✓ **Residence information**
- ✓ **Scholarships and awards**
- ✓ **Liaison numbers, websites, e-mail addresses**

OFFERS OF ADMISSION

Conditional Offers

- ✓ **ALL offers of admission are CONDITIONAL until FINAL grades/diploma requirements submitted**
- ✓ **July transmission – if student has not met all the requirements (conditions, diploma) offer will be rescinded**

FINANCIAL AID



Scholarships



- ✓ Check Guidance News, @EarlHaigGuidance on IG, www.earlhaig.ca/guidance
- ✓ See your counsellor
- ✓ College websites
- ✓ Websites
 - www.canlearn.ca
 - www.Studentawards.com
 - www.ScholarshipsCanada.com
 - www.scholartree.ca

Scholarships

Post-Secondary

- ✓ Application required/not required
- ✓ Nomination required
- ✓ Check College websites

Major scholarships

Combination of leadership experience;
extra-curricular and community
involvement; strong academic profile

Scholarships

Other

- ✓ **Corporations – children of employees**
- ✓ **Heritage**
- ✓ **Subject-specific/national**
- **E.g. TD Canada Trust Scholarships for Community Leadership; Toyota Earth Day Scholarships; Canadian Hospitality Foundation Scholarships**

Financial Aid

- ✓ **Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP) www.osap.gov.on.ca (mid-end of June)**
- ✓ **Financial Aid offered by Colleges**
- ✓ **Bank Loans and Lines of Credit**
- ✓ **Part-time/summer work/campus job**
- ✓ **Family**

Financial Aid

Bursaries:

- **Visit financial aid office at your college in late August**
- **Eligibility is based on financial need**
- **Applicants must have applied for OSAP**
- **No need to pay it back**
- **Every little bit counts**

Students with IEPs

- **Must self-identify at college during registration process (they won't know you have an IEP unless you tell them)**
- **Current psycho-education assessment will be required in order to be considered for accommodations (within last 3 years)**
- **IEPs are only for EH**
- **Each college will have its own learning centre/own policies**

Now What?!!



Pre-Application Process

Research the Program and/or College that is right for you:

- Check out ontariocolleges.ca, college websites, liaison officers, view-books to learn more about colleges/programs
- Check out open houses/school tours (online)
- Consult your guidance counsellor
- Talk to your parent/guardian/caring adults
- Check your credit counselling summary to make sure everything is in order
- Go to ontariocolleges.ca to look at How To Apply videos and read FAQs

Pre-Application Process

How Do I Make a Decision?

- Program vs. School
- Be Realistic
- Have a Plan B and Plan C

Last Minute Details

- Graduation requirements
- Specific Program requirements
- Non-academic requirements and deadlines

Application Process

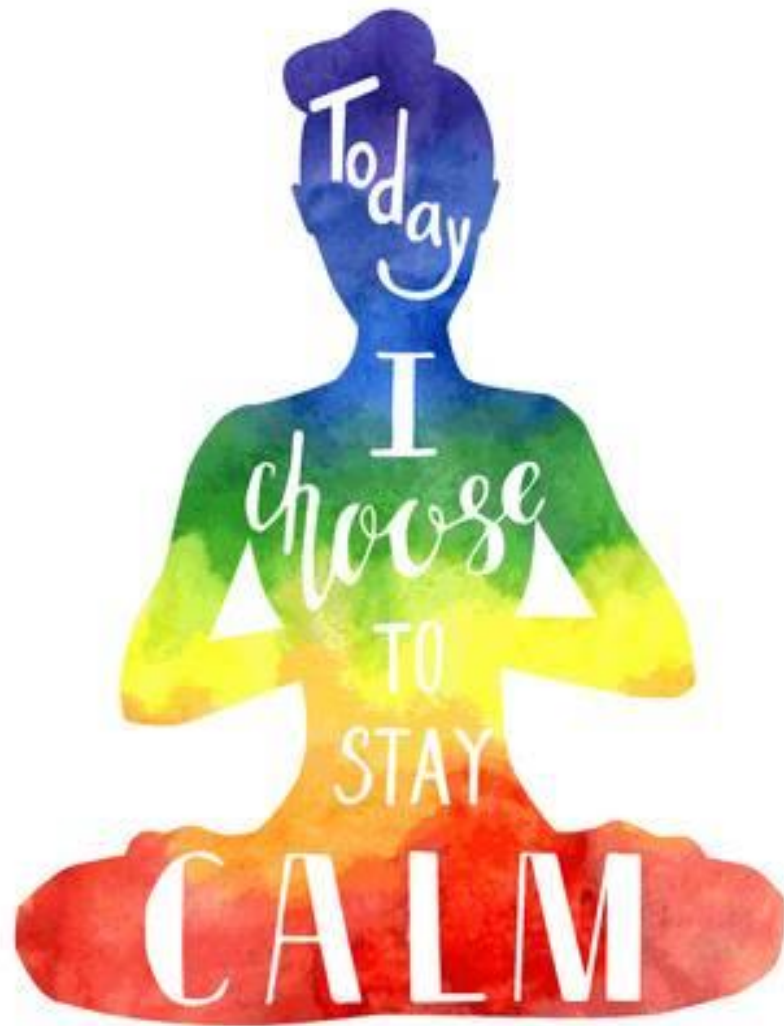
- ✓ Check out Earlhaig.ca/guidance,
[@earlhaigguidance](https://www.instagram.com/earlhaigguidance) on IG for video tutorials
on how to apply
- ✓ [Go to Ontariocolleges.ca](http://Ontariocolleges.ca) and create an
account....

NOW GO FOR IT!

Alternatives to University or College

- ✓ GAP YEAR
- ✓ Apprenticeship
- ✓ Enter Workforce
- Speak to your guidance counsellor for more information

**GOOD LUCK
AND
DON'T PANIC**



Today

I choose

TO STAY

CALM