

### Transition to Post-Secondary

**Information Session** 

# Agenda

- Pathway Options
- Reviewing the requirements for OSSD
- Prerequisites for Post-Secondary
- Getting Informed
- Applications and Timelines
- Costs and Financial Planning
- Accessing support through Student Services

# A Pathway for Every Student

- Apprenticeships
- College
- GAP Year
- School to Work
- University
- Victory Lap



# Other Post-Secondary Opportunities

- Armed Forces
- Private Vocational Schools
- Workplace Training
- Articulation Agreements between Colleges and Universities



# A Review: Graduation Requirements for the OSSD

- 18 Compulsory Credits
- 12 Elective Credits
- Successful completion of the OSSLT or a credit in OLC4O
- 20 Community Service Hours (this has been reduced from 40 for 2020-2021 grads only)



# Prerequisites for Post-Secondary College Diplomas

General admission requirements will include:

- OSSD
- Depending upon the program, some specific grade
   11/12 courses might be required
- For some programs, a supplementary application/form may apply (ie. performance, portfolio, interview)

# Prerequisites for Post-Secondary University Degrees

General admission requirements:

- Six 4U/4M courses that INCLUDE any identified prerequisite credits (used to determine a student's admission average)
- For some programs, supplementary applications/forms may apply (ie. performance, portfolio, interview)

#### RESEARCH

The following is a list of some of the resources that are available to you:

- Ontario Universities Info
- Ontario College Virtual Fair (Nov 4 or Nov 5)
- Campus Visits
- Virtual Info sessions
- Friends, Parents, Siblings
- eINFO

- Institutional Websites
- Publications
- Social Network sites-Facebook, Youtube and Twitter
- Presentations like this!
- BHS Student Services

## Selecting the Right School

#### Compare:

- Programs and courses
- Size of the school and of the city/town around it
- Location of campus within the city
- Layout of the campus
- Distance from home
- The right "feel"
- Residence facilities and alternatives to residence
- Costs



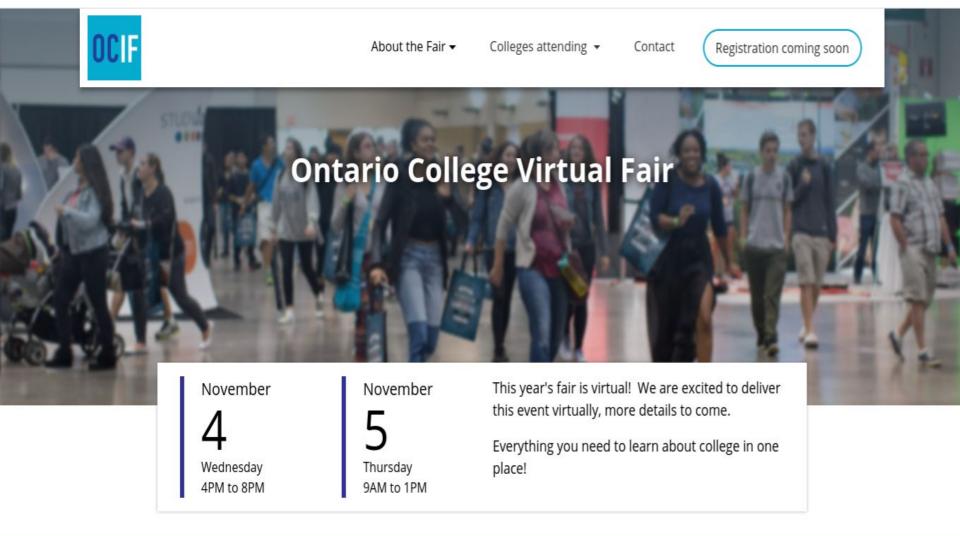
# College Application Process



The new college application experience is here! Find out more.

For the latest information from ontariocolleges.ca on the impacts of COVID-19, please visit our COVID-19 information page.





### College Applications

**Ontario College Application Service (OCAS)** 

- Early October

   Online Application Opens ... students can create their account and apply
- No PIN necessary

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- Students can apply to a maximum of 5 ONTARIO college programs by February 1st, 2021
- Students can apply to a maximum of 3 program choices at any one Ontario college
- Application cost is \$95 (non- refundable)
- May 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 is the deadline to confirm Offers
- June 2021

   Tuition deposit due at all colleges

# College Timeline: Between Now and June 2021

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- <u>Early October</u> Online Application Opens … students can create their account and apply
- <u>February 1<sup>st</sup></u> Equal consideration of College applications due to OCAS
- Mid February Marks upload to OCAS
- Late April Marks upload to OCAS and offers go out
- May 1st Deadline to confirm offers of admission
- <u>June</u> Final marks upload; Tuition deposit due at the colleges

# University Application Process





Search for your ideal program and find out the information you need to apply, like prerequisites, grade requirements and more. Plus, compare your choices.



#### Choose a University

Get to know Ontario's universities and where they are located. Find out information about campus visits, residence costs and more!



#### How to Apply

Which application is right for me? Answer a few statements to guide you to the proper undergraduate application.



# University Applications Ontario University Application Centre (OUAC)

- PIN emailed to all graduating students in mid- November
- Application deadline: January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021
   Note: Applications received after this date will still be processed by the OUAC and distributed to the universities. However, specific university deadlines will apply.
- \$150 per student for three initial university/program choices -\$50 for each additional choice)
- Max of 3 programs at any one university
- Out-of-province/ country applications are sent directly to the institution (cost, transcripts, etc.)
- \$50 fee for each time you change your initial request



#### Ontario Universities' Application Centre

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#### News & Reminders

All online applications will be temporarily unavailable

on October 8, 2014 from 7 am to 2 pm

#### Apply to University...

Please select an application below. If you need help finding the right application, please see the help area.

Undergraduate Application (OUAC 101) Current Ontario Secondary School Students Learn More About OUAC 101





Undergraduate Application (OUAC 105) All Other Undergraduate Applicants

Learn More About OUAC 105



Ontario Rehabilitation Sciences Programs Learn More About ORPAS



Professional Application Ontario Law Schools

Learn More About OLSAS

Professional Application



#### Looking for Help?

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Methods of Payment

Professional Application Ontario Faculties of Education

Learn More About TEAS

Professional Application Ontario Medical Sch

Learn More About OMSAS



# University Application (cont)

#### OUAC is used for:

- Application
- Amendments
- Acceptance
- Do not contact the Ontario universities about the above 3 items
- Once you have your PIN, please go in and double check that the information is accurate ... any concerns please email Ms. Flook (jane.flook@ocdsb.ca)

### University Timeline: Between Now and August 2021

- October/ November Bell HS uploads potential graduates to create your OUAC account/ PIN number
- Mid/ Late November PIN emailed and account is activated
- January 15<sup>th</sup> Applications are due to OUAC
- **February 4**<sup>th</sup> Recommended date to make final changes to your application
- Mid February Student Grades get uploaded by Bell HS to OUAC
- May 27<sup>th</sup> Latest date that university application decisions will be released (offer, refusal, or deferral)
- June 1<sup>st</sup> Earliest date that Ontario universities can require a response to an offer of admission
- **July 6**<sup>th</sup> Last Bell HS upload of marks to OUAC
- August Students are responsible for ensuring that all summer school grades are submitted to OUAC directly

## Conditional Offer of Acceptance

- A conditional offer of acceptance is not a guarantee; the offer is conditional upon your final grades.
- Some applicants might receive offers very soon after mid-February.
- The majority of students will not receive offers until after April

# Money, Money, Money, Money!

### Cost of College

(Note that the figures identified below are approximate and average)

<b>Tuition and</b>	Ancillar	y Fees	\$3500 -	5000

Room and Board	\$7000 - 8000

Personal Expenses \$2500



#### **Approximate Annual Cost**

- Living away from home
- Living at home

\$8000

### Cost of University

(Note that the figures identified below are approximate and average)

**Tuition and Ancillary Fees** 

Room and Board

Off Campus Living

**Books and Supplies** 

Personal Expenses

\$6000 - 13 000

\$7000 - 8000

\$6000

\$1500

\$2500



#### Approximate Annual Cost

- Living in Residence
- Living at home

\$20 000 - 23 000

\$10000 - 12 000

### Sources of Funding



- Scholarships
  - <u>Entrance Scholarships</u> are based solely on academic performance
  - "Prestige" Scholarships are based on both academic performance and extra-curricular success
- **Bursaries** (money provided to students who meet specific criteria and is not expected to be paid back)
- OSAP (Ontario Student Assistance Program grants & loans)
- Grants (money that is provided to students who show financial need and is not expected to be paid back)
- Loans (this is money that is expected to be paid back)
- Part-time Work
- Savings
- RESP savings (through parents)

### OSAP

- Helps Ontario students pay for their education
- Loans and grants are based on financial need
- Who is eligible and for how much?
- Applications open in the spring of 2021
- For information visit:

osap.gov.on.ca



# Advice from Student Services

- Create a "clean email" that is professional and mature Gmail is recommended over Hotmail
- Check your email often and don't share access to your email
- Check the Student Services website often regarding upcoming Scholarship deadlines
- Have a list of important dates and deadlines in your calendar
- Start putting together your portfolio (if required)
- Use the Internet responsibly (What is your Internet identity?) and protect your electronic identity
- Keep a printed copy of all communications and contacts
- Keep your OUAC account information safe

# **Ensure that you have completed your community hours and the OSSLT**

# Check regularly in Student Services for up to date Scholarship information

Click here:

**Scholarship Information** 

### **Bell Student Services**

Please email your Guidance Counsellor with ANY questions or concerns

Please email Mrs. Flook in Guidance regarding any questions regarding scholarships



# Thank you

Student Services, Bell High School

