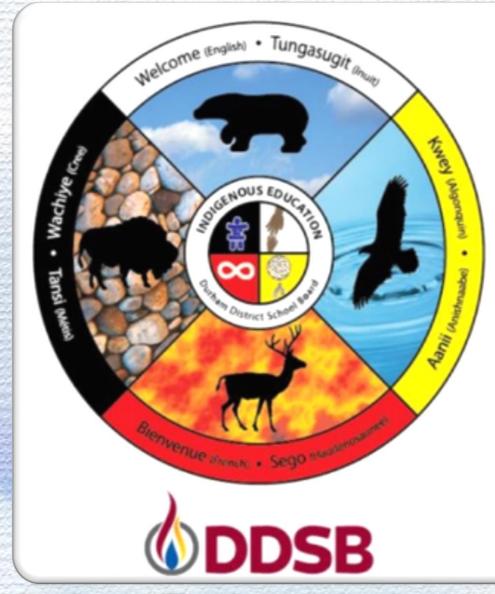


Ajax High School Class of 2022



Sept. 23, 7 pm





The Durham District School Board acknowledges that many Indigenous Nations have longstanding relationships, both historic and modern, with the territories upon which our school board and schools are located. Today, this area is home to many Indigenous peoples from across Turtle Island (North America). We acknowledge that the Durham Region forms a part of the traditional and treaty territory of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation, the Mississauga Peoples and the treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation. It is on these ancestral and treaty lands that we teach, learn and live.



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AGENDA

- 1. Research and Preparation
- 2. University Application Process
- 3. Academic Terms
- 4. Finances
- 5. Additional Resources
- 6. Questions





STAY CONNECTED



Be sure you have accepted the invitation to the Grade 12 Guidance Google Classroom.



Download the Google Classroom App to your phone in order to receive notifications of new postings.



UNIVERSITY GAZETTE



UNIVERSITY GAZETTE

AJAX HIGH SCHOOL - GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT - SEPTEMBER, 2021

To receive notifications when Guidance posts new information in your Guidance Google Classroom download the Google Classroom app on your cellphone!



VIRTUAL UNIVERSITY INFORMATION NIGHT IS COMING!

This presentation will provide <u>students and families</u> with <u>important</u> information about the university application process. Topics covered will include: timelines, research, finances, the application process, preparation, and more!

THURSDAY, SEPT. 23 @ 7:00 pm

(An online link will be sent through the Grade 12 Guidance Google Classroom prior to the presentation)

VIRTUAL UNIVERSITY LIAISON VISITS

Representatives from many Ontario universities will be hosting virtual meetings with Ajax H.S. students during the next several weeks.

The presentations will discuss programs of study, admission criteria, residence, costs, scholarships, and more. Students will be able to ask questions about their specific pathway.

Students must sign up for these University Liaison presentations through the University Presentations Sign-up Form found in your Guidance Google Classroom.



Students will need to have earbuds/headphones to participate if they are viewing the presentation at school. Students will be able to use any suitable space in the school to view the presentation.

Students who sign up for a presentation will find the link/information to attend in their Guidance Google Classroom prior to the presentation.

UNIVERSITY	CAMPUS LOCATION(S)	DATE /TIME
Algoma	Sault Ste. Marie	https://www.algomau.ca/students/future- students/
Brock	St. Catharines	Mon. Oct. 18, 12:35 pm
-leton	Ottawa	Mon. Oct. 4, 12:35 pm
9	Guelph	Fri. Oct. 22, 12:35 pm
'Jumber	Toronto	Tues. Oct. 12, 12:35 pm
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The Ontario Universities' Fairs will consist of 2 virtual events:

- Saturday, September 25, 12-2 pm (ET)
- Tuesday, October 26, 5-7 pm (ET)

Each event will be divided up into four 30-minute sessions, where students can learn about the universities of their choice and ask questions.

Some universities will offer presentations in French.

These events are a great opportunity to get answers about programs, admission requirements, student life and much more. Visit www.ontariouniversitiesfair.ca/

Visit the Ontario Universities' Info (OUI) website (www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca) for in-depth information about each Ontario university, including programs, admission requirements and more.



INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY FAIR Study and Go Abroad Fair – Virtual option

Thurs., September 23

Meet with top universities, graduate schools and professional schools from Canada and around the world

Pre-register online at: https://www.studyandgoabroad.com/

Note: If you are interested in a specific university outside of Ontario you should visit the website of that university/college in order to find out about the application process for that institution.

Consult with Mr. Farndon about your plans.

VIRTUAL UNIVERSITY APPLICATION SEMINARS

Two university application seminars will be held in November in order to provide students with detailed information about the Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC) application process. The OUAC also provides data to some out-of-province Canadian universities as well.

If you plan on attending an ONTARIO university next fall, you <u>MUST</u> SIGN UP for one of the following seminars by the end of September using the University Application Seminar Sign-up Form found in your Guidance Google Classroom.





Two virtual events available:

- Saturday, September 25, 12-2 pm (ET)
- Tuesday, October 26, 5-7 pm (ET)

www.ontariouniversitiesfair.ca



UNIVERSITY LIAISON VISITS





The university liaison presentations' sign-up form and schedule is posted in your Guidance Google Classroom.

Explore your options with various universities.

These virtual seminars are scheduled for the lunch hour.

You will need headphones/earbuds if you are accessing any of the seminars from school.





UNIVERSITY APPLICATION SEMINAR



- Sign up NOW through your Guidance Google Classroom
- We order your OUAC P.I.N.s based on this list
- Every Ontario university-bound student must attend
- Understand the application process
- One seminar in the morning, one in the afternoon
- Virtual presentation this year





Hyperlinked Hyperlinked resource sheet resource

Available in your Available in your Guidance Google Classroom















IMPORTANT WEB RESOURCE









www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca



ONTARIOUNIVERSITIESINFO.CA



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PROGRAMS

UNIVERSITIES
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

FINANCE

APPLICATIONS
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Research prerequisites + marks
- "Required vs. recommended" courses
- Additional admission criteria required?
- You may apply to only three programs per university in Ontario
- Explore all Ontario universities, programs, fees, and scholarships



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Architectural Engineering

University of Waterloo

Compare

Overview Requ

Requirements | Admission

Contact

Program Summary

University	University of Waterloo
Degree	Bachelor of Applied Science, BASc
OUAC Program Code	WEA
Grade Range	Mid- to High 80s
Experiential Learning	Co-op program
Enrollment	85
Instruction Language	English

UNIVERSITY WEBSITE

PROGRAM WEBSITE



ONTARIOCOLLEGES.CA

- College Information Night Thurs. Sept. 30, 7 pm
- Some colleges offer Bachelor's degrees and collaborative programs with universities
- Wide range of industry focused programs, such as:
 Industrial Design, Game Design, Film and Television, Music,
 Computing, Business, Practical Nursing, Health Sciences, etc.







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Program Search





Transfer from University



QUT QF PRQVINCE UNIVERSITIES



- Apply to universities directly
- Meet all deadlines and any additional requirements
- Transcripts, SAT scores, Student Profile Form, etc.
- Additional admission criteria



EXPLORE UNIVERSITY WEBSITES





EXPLORE UNIVERSITY WEBSITES

- Research individual programs
- Understand the specific course requirements in your chosen program
- What professions can this lead to?
- Contact university admissions' offices with questions
- Explore co-op/internships/exchange opportunities

FUTURE STUDENTS



CO-OP/INTERNSHIPS

A Universities Canada study shows that co-ops, internships, and placements work.



80 percent of employers surveyed say co-op and placement students are a source of new employees.



LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD

In a Higher Education Quality Council of Ontario study, 80% of students expected to complete further higher education after their current program.





Research (don't assume) what is required if you plan on postgraduate studies.



UNIVERSITY VIEWBOOKS

- Admission requirements
- Specific programs
- Tuition
- Scholarships
- Residence
- Recreation and athletics
- Open Houses
- Available online limited availability of hard copies in the Guidance office





UNIVERSITY VIEWBOOKS



Everyone is happy at university...



UNIVERSITY VIEWBOOKS

... and the weather is always beautiful!



Lakehead University, Thunder Bay



UNIVERSITY VISITS



Go on virtual or in-person Campus Tours or Open Houses, if available.



UNIVERSITY "FIT FOR YOU"

Consider the following:

- Specific programs offered
- Marks required for admission
- Large vs. small campus
- Proximity to your home travel
- Residence and meal options
- Urban vs. self-contained
- Overall costs
- University facilities
- Clubs/activities on campus





KNOW YOUR GEOGRAPHY

Where do you want to study?

Commuting vs. Residence





RESIDENCE LIFE

- Guaranteed for first year students?
- Types of rooms offered?
- What is included in the cost?
- Is a meal plan required?
- Type of housing available offcampus?
- Vaccination requirements for inperson learning and residence?





- Graduate From High School (OSSD)
- Complete 18 compulsory credits + 12 optional credits
- Pass/complete OSSLT/OSSLC
- Submit 40 20 community involvement hours
- Minimum 6 Gr. 12 "U" or "M" courses (almost all programs require ENG4U1)
- Successfully complete the prerequisites for your university program choices
- Meet admission average requirement



- How does the university calculate admission averages?
- When are the deadlines for <u>additional admission criteria</u>, if required?
- What are their policies regarding repeat courses?
 (U of Waterloo/U of Toronto program specific)



- How do they look at summer school/night school/private school courses? (U of Waterloo - program specific)
- Do they make alternate offers of admission?



Choose programs that are within your range of expected marks:

"Reach, Range, Safety".





- Ensure that you will have the necessary courses and average to be considered for admission
- Complete any additional admission criteria (auditions/portfolios/PSE/tests/interviews)
- Be realistic and study hard!
- Gr. 11 marks are important for early offers of admission and very competitive programs!





ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

If you are an ELL student, contact universities regarding their English proficiency test requirement.
Check to see which tests they accept for admissions.

If you have studied 4 years in an English language high school, you are usually exempt.





TRANSITION RESOURCE GUIDE



TRANSITION RESOURCE GUIDE FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Transition to Post-Secondary Education

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TRANSITION RESOURCE GUIDE

We're here to help give you the knowledge you need to make a successful transition to college or university. Welcome to the start of your post-secondary journey!

LEARN MORE



Shauna, Accessibility Advisor

"The Transition Resource Guide (TRG) has transformed how vital information is shared with students, families, and educators." Read more

www.transitionresourceguide.ca



GAP YEAR

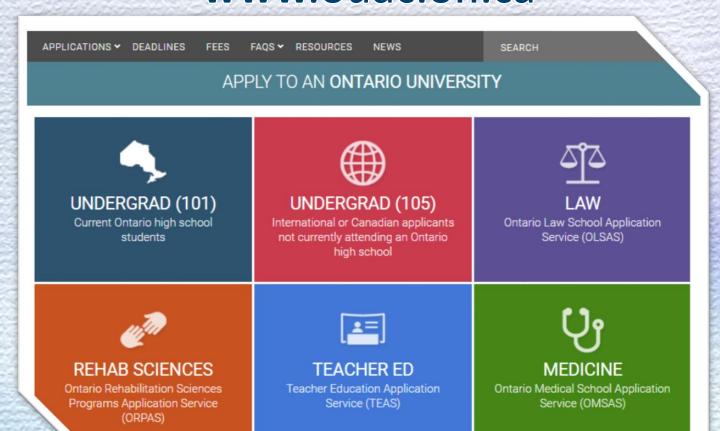
- Deferrals
- Volunteer
- Work
- Travel
- Solidify your future goals





UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS

Ontario Universities' Application Centre www.ouac.on.ca





UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS



First Transmission to OUAC - early October

- D.D.S.B. transmits all grade 11 and any grade 12 final marks (full disclosure), plus currently scheduled courses
- Ajax H.S. Virtual Application Seminars Nov. 1 and 2
- Students must sign up by the end of September for the seminar that takes place during their spare (if they have one)
- The sign-up form is in the Gr. 12 Guidance Google Classroom
- Some early offers of admission can begin shortly after students apply



- Deadline for OUAC on-line applications & fees Jan. 13
- NOTE some university programs/scholarships may require an earlier submission date for the application



Do not wait until the day before!
Apply well before the due date!





Fees:

- \$150.00 for three choices
- \$50.00 for each additional choice
- \$10 International service fee if the applicant is not a Canadian citizen or permanent resident
- Some programs may have supplemental fees for specific programs





Offers of Admission (November – May)

- Universities may request additional information after you apply (auditions/portfolios/PSE/interviews)
- You are responsible for meeting all deadlines
- Read all correspondences carefully
- Some university programs will send out earlier offers than others
- All offers are conditional



Final marks will be sent by the DDSB at designated times throughout the school year.

Conditional offers of admission continue as marks are updated during the year.





May 27 - The latest date by which all secondary school applicants shall expect a response from an Ontario university.

Such a response will be one of:

- 1) an offer of admission
- 2) a refusal; or
- 3) a deferral pending the receipt of specific additional information



June 1 - Earliest date by which Ontario universities may require a response to an offer of admission and any financial commitment.



Offers of admission include any scholarships/financial assistance and residence information.

*If you are not admitted into any of your programs you can begin to search for other program vacancies through OUAC's "Admission Information Service".





Early July

- Durham board sends final marks to the O.U.A.C.
- Conditional offers reviewed/confirmed

July/August

- Admission Information Service remains open
- Offers of admission continue
- Conditional offers reviewed



August

Summer school marks sent for those programs still accepting students



Direct-Entry Program

- Entry to university with high school credentials (OSSD)
- Requires specific high school courses/prerequisites
- Undergraduate program
- Min. GPA/academic progress required to continue on to 2nd year of degree





Undergraduate Degree

Normally the first degree completed at university:

- B.A. Bachelor of Arts
- B.Sc. Bachelor of Science
- B.B.A. Bachelor of Business Administration
- B.F.A. Bachelor of Fine Arts etc...





Second-Entry Program

- Requires prior university courses (or a completed degree) in order to be considered for entry.
- Will often lead to a Graduate Degree
 e.g. Medicine, Dentistry, Law,
 Veterinary Medicine, M.Ed., MBA,
 MPP, Masters of..., Ph.D., etc...







Academic Year in University

- Most full-time students attend fall and winter terms
- Summer term is also available
- 10 one semester or 5 full year courses/year
- Some programs may require more (Engineering)

General Bachelor's Degree: 3 years

30 one term/15 full year courses

Honour Bachelor's Degree: 4 years

40 one term/ 20 full year courses





SPECIALIST

Highly-concentrated area of study in a degree

MAJOR

The main area(s) of study in a degree

MINOR

 An optional secondary area of study when completing a single major Honours degree





FACULTIES

- Comprehensive branches of learning at a university
- Faculty of Fine Arts, Faculty of Science, Faculty of Business,
 Faculty of Humanities, etc.

PROGRAMS

- More specific areas of study within faculties
- Faculty of Science may have programs in Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Physics, etc.





Education Degree Terms

- Concurrent vs. Consecutive
- Direct entry vs. 2nd entry
- Primary/Junior, Junior/Intermediate,
 Intermediate/Senior





Co-operative Education

- Work terms alternate with school terms
- Earn money in your area of study
- Summer sessions often involved
- May extend length of your degree

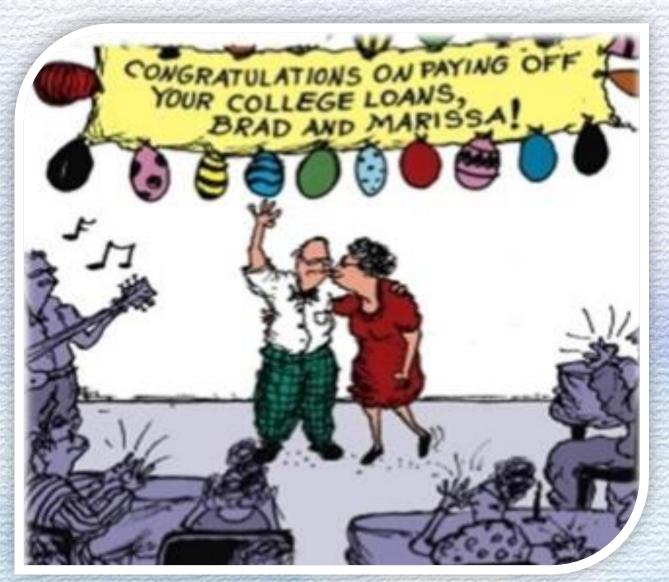


Internship

- Provides students with a 12-16 month work experience
- Paid, professionally supervised, career-related positions designed to offer second or third year students the opportunity to learn about current advances, practices and technologies in their area of study
- Extends length of your degree









Prepare a Budget

- University costs \$10,000 \$30,000+ /year
- Different tuition for different programs
- Take ownership of your budget
- Ensure resources are in place before next September
- Talk candidly to family regarding financial commitments
- Create a formal budget resources and expenses





Costs to include in your budget:

- Tuition and student fees
- Books/course materials
- Computer/printer/supplies
- Health Insurance
- Living expenses on/off campus (internet, cell phone, utilities)
- Food costs
- Transportation/Parking/Travel
- Entertainment costs
- Clothing and incidentals





A 2018 Canadian University
Consortium Survey of about 15,000
graduating students put the
average debt – among the 50 per
cent of students who finished with
debt – at \$27,929.









RESP - Canada Education Savings Grant

- Grant of 20% on every dollar of the first \$2,500 you save in your child's RESP each year.
- Grant-eligible contribution room, up to age of 17
- \$7,200 Lifetime grant limit per beneficiary
- If you contribute \$2,500 every year, you will hit the maximum grant level in the fifteenth year
- Plan must be started before the student turns 15



Self-Financing

- Employment
- Part-time work
- Summer employment
- Co-op and internships





Bank of Family?

- Free room and board
- Use of family vehicle
- Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP)
- Assistance with educational costs (e.g. tuition, books, rent, care packages)
- Co-signing student line of credit





Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)

- Provides a combination of grants and loans
- Full time students only minimum 60% course load (Students with a permanent disability - 40% course load)
- "Consent & Declaration" forms must be signed by parent(s)/guardian(s) and student and sent to the Financial Aid office of your Ontario university



Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)

- You can start the application process for OSAP when you apply to Ontario universities - OSAP/OUAC Net Tuition Billing
- OSAP is available for approved out-of-province schools in Canada (see OSAP website for details)
- Canada-Ontario Integrated Student Loan (COISL) is available for approved out-of-country schools
- Complete the application in late May/June



Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)

- OSAP is divided into 2 installments
 Semester 1 60%, Semester 2 40%
- Academic progress is required

Work/Study programs

- To be eligible you often need to have applied for OSAP
- OSAP will not cover all of the costs of your education



Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)

- Visit OSAP's website to get an idea of what financial assistance might be available to you
- www.ontario.ca/page/osap-ontario-student-assistance-program

OSAP - On-line Aid Estimator

- You will need the following:
- School you plan on attending
- Program of study + expected tuition
- Your assets
- Annual gross income of parent(s)







Introduction

Grants – non-repayable (YEAH!)

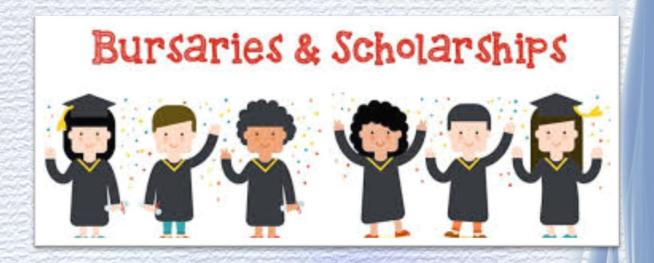
Loans – must be repaid

- You can accept the grants and decline the loans from OSAP
- OSAP applications open up for the next academic year in the late spring – apply every year you are in university



Bursaries

Based on financial need



- Ability to pay for education is the main consideration
- Applications and financial statements are required





- Based on academic achievement and/or community involvement /leadership
- Search out scholarships available from: universities / corporations / private organizations / non-profits / high school commencement





Information about scholarships (including "The Scholarship Report) will be posted in the Grade 12 Guidance Google Classroom throughout the year.





Grades-Based University Entrance Scholarships

- No separate application required
- Based solely on entrance mark average

Varies depending on university:

- Trent University

$$95\%$$
+ = \$3000 x 4 years = \$12,000

(renewable by maintaining an average of 80% or above in 5.0 Trent credits per year)

- University of Ottawa

$$95\%$$
+ = \$4000 (non-renewable)



Application-Based University Scholarships

- Many university scholarship applications are available on-line now
- Some require completed applications early (before acceptance into a program)
- Some require school sponsorship these will be posted in your Guidance Google Classroom and will require timely action on the part of the student to receive the school's sponsorship



Scholarship Websites

- www.yconic.com
- www.scholarshipscanada.com
- www.ontariouniversities.ca





Athletic Financial Awards (AFA)

- Ontario-based program (some other provinces have a similar program)
- Coach recommended
- Max. \$ 4,500 (renewable)
- 80% entrance average required.





ONCE YOU ARE THERE

Look for bursaries and scholarships once you are in university

- Contact the Financial Aid Office of the university you are going to attend
- Discuss options regarding financing your education and any questions
- Contact the Financial Aid Office for questions regarding OSAP



ONCE YOU ARE THERE

Access Career Services

- Consider Co-op placements, Internships
- Consider International experiences
- Join clubs/teams of interest
- Actively participate in student life





AJAX H.S. WEBSITE - GUIDANCE



OUR SCHOOL

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Guidance

Postsecondary Resources - Apprenticeship/College/University/Financial Aid/Scholarships

Use the resources below in order to learn about various postsecondary pathways, including the Skilled Trades, College and University and how to finance your future.

Apprenticeship/Skilled Trades	+
College	+
University	+
Financial Aid and Scholarships	+



QUICK SUMMARY!

- Be prepared do your research
- Attend virtual university liaison visits
- Sign-up for an application seminar
- Research programs/visit campuses
- Apply early
- Ensure finances are in place





NEXT STOP - UNIVERSITY

To our students...

Best of luck in your studies and research.
You've got this!



See us in Guidance with any questions/concerns.



NEXT STOP - UNIVERSITY To our parents/guardians... Relax and breathe!



Thanks for attending!



Questions

If we have not answered your specific question(s), please reach out to a guidance counsellor for assistance – we are here to help.

