College Application Seminar



Ancaster High School October 7, 2020



WHY CHOOSE COLLEGE?

- Less theory and more practical experience
- 307 degree programs offered
- A career focused education
- Preparation for highly competitive programs
 ex: Pre-Technology
- Preparation for some university pathways
 ex: General Arts & Sciences



Four Kinds of Programs

- Apprenticeship Programs
- One year Certificate Programs
- Two and Three Year Diploma Programs
- Four Year Degree Programs



Admission Requirements

- Apprenticeship programs require a job in the field
- Certificate programs may only require a high school diploma
- Diploma programs require specific courses at the "C" level like ENG4C1 or MCT4C1
- Degree Programs require six 4U or 4M courses like ENG4U1 and five more



Collaborative College/University Programs

- Some universities and colleges have programs that allow students to earn both a degree and a diploma (usually need 4U courses to be accepted)
- Some programs use the university (ouac.on.ca) application
- Some programs use the college (ontariocolleges.ca) application.



Four Questions Before Applying

- What program do you want?
- What colleges offer that program?
- What are the required courses?

Are there minimum required marks?



Differences Between College & University

University Example

- A university will receive 9000 applications for 600 seats. Students will apply with averages in the 70's, 80's and 90's
- A program having 600 spaces means the school will send out 1000 offers (they know 400 students will say "no")
- Therefore an average of "85%" across six classes is used because only 1000 students had an average this high

How College Admission Work

Scenario 1

 A program has 85 seats and 60 students apply - everyone is admitted!

Scenario 2

- A program has 100 seats and 2000 students apply
- Only students with minimum grade of "75%" in English are given an initial offer
- If any of those students say "no" the college moves down the list (i.e. "74%")

How AHS Communicates

November 20, 2020

- Mrs. Desrochers uploads:
 - Demographics (name, address, etc.)
 - Final Grades (all courses since Grade 9)
 - Current mid-semester grades
 - List of all courses you're taking this year



How AHS Communicates

February 11, 2021

 First semester final marks and currently enrolled second semester courses are due

April 22, 2021

 Second semester mid-semester marks are due



Important Dates

- Today! Please start your research after watching this presentation
- Application Tutorials in November
 - We will help you apply (details TBD)
- Deadline for Applying to College
 - Ancaster High School: December 11, 2020



College Deadline February 1, 2021

- This is the deadline for applying to <u>highly</u> <u>competitive programs</u>. Applications received and paid for before this date will be given <u>equal consideration</u>
- NOTE: Applicants for all programs are encouraged to apply before this date, as website volumes are highest at this time.



Offers of Admission

February 1, 2021

- Earliest date the colleges may release offers
- Offers will continue until programs are filled or wait lists are established

May 1, 2021

- The most common deadline for confirming offers - but not the only one
- Applicants should check their offers of admission for exact deadline dates



Research

- Traditional fair-style presentations from the colleges have been cancelled this year
- Please check the colleges' websites for information on virtual presentations



Mohawk College

- Mohawk offers an on-demand site with lots and lots of information about the college and their programs
- Visit their virtual recruitment materials here:

www.mohawkcollege.ca/open-house-at-mohawk



www.ontariocolleges.ca



Ontario's colleges are at the forefront of technology, innovation and workforce development, preparing students for success in the





Find a Program

Explore by category:

Agriculture, Animal & Related Practices

Career & Preparation

Education, Community
& Social Services

Fire, Justice & Security

Professions & Trades

Arts & Culture

<u>Computers &</u> Telecommunications

Energy, Environmental & Natural Resources

Health, Food & Medical

<u>Transportation &</u>
<u>Logistics</u>

Business, Finance & Administration

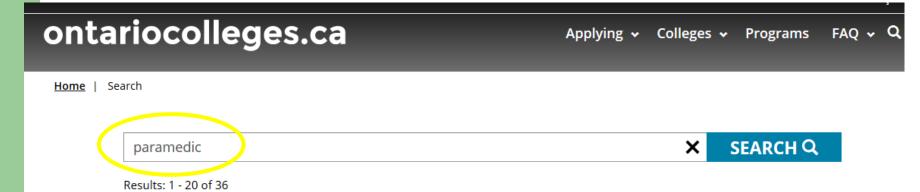
<u>Culinary, Hospitality,</u> Recreation & Tourism

Engineering & Technology

Media



Which colleges offer my program?



Paramedic | ontariocolleges.ca

 $https://www.ontariocolleges.ca/en/programs/health-food-and-medical/\underline{paramedic}$

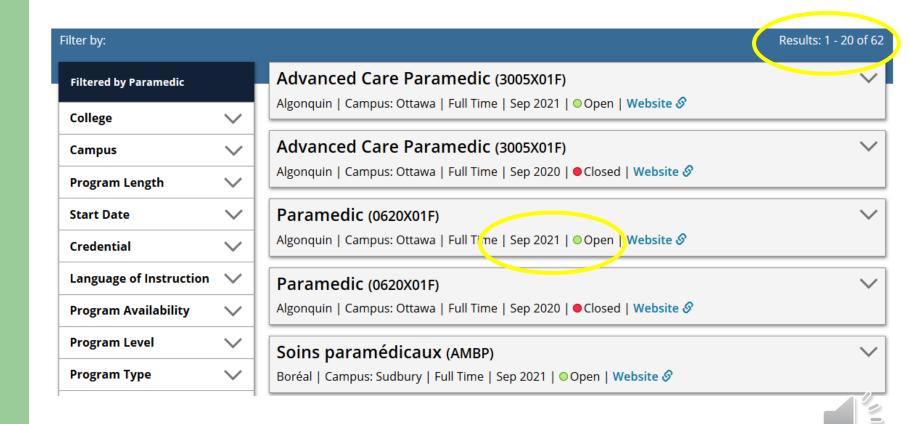
Be the front line of emergency medical response and treatment through training from **Paramedic** Programs at Ontario Colleges.

In Canada, the field of **paramedic**s, emergency medical technicians (EMTs) and emergency medical services is growing in popularity. It's a great career for those who have a strong desire to help people in need.

If you're interested in Ontario college **paramedic** programs, here's what you need to know.



Which colleges offer my program?



Check the program's website

Application & Admission Details

Admission Success Tips

Get More Information

Select the Academic Year: Sept 2021 - Aug 2022

2021/2022 Academic Year College Eligibility

- · Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) or equivalent. Applicants with an OSSD showing senior English and/or Mathematics courses at the Basic Level, or with Workplace or Open courses, will be tested to determine their eligibility for admission; OR
- · Academic and Career Entrance (ACE) certificate; OR
- · General Educational Development (GED) certificate; OR
- . Mature Student status (19 years of age or older and without a high school diploma at the start of the program). Eligibility may be determined by academic achievement testing for which a fee of \$50 (subject to change) will be charged.
- Be advised that all candidates must meet BOTH College and Program eligibility.

Program Eligibility

- English Grade 12 (ENG4C or equivalent) with a grade of 65% or higher.
- Mathematics Grade 12 (MAP4C or equivalent) with a grade of 65% or higher.
- . Biology Grade 11 or 12 with a grade of 65% or higher.
- . Chemistry Grade 11 or 12 with a grade of 65% or higher.
- All applicants must complete an assessment of their knowledge and skills through the Test Centre, and pay an exam fee. Results from the Algonquin College Health, rogram Admissions Test (AC-HPAT) will be utilized to establish minimum eligibility and applicant ranking. The AC-

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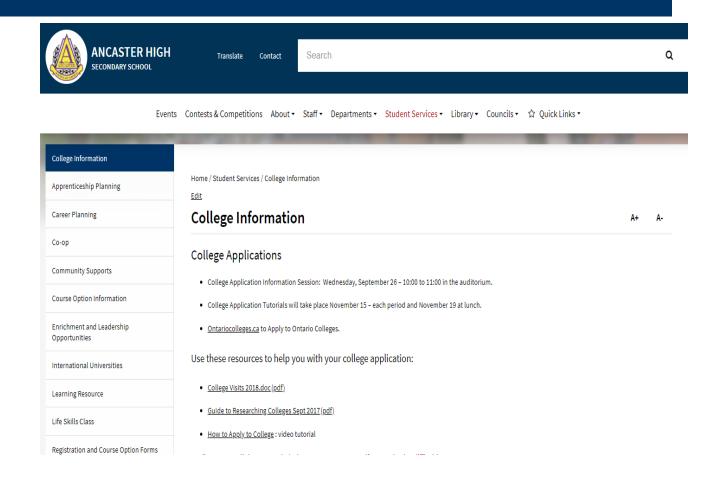
Anticipated Start: * Select...

> I consent to being contacted by Algonquin College:

* = Required Information



Ancaster High School Website





Apply to Five Programs!

- Students apply to a maximum of five
- Only three at the same college
 Example: 3 programs at Mohawk, 1 at Humber and 1 at Conestoga
- \$95 cost regardless (applying to one or five!)



What do you need by the end of June 2021?

- High School Diploma
- Grade 12 English ENG4C or ENG4U
- Other required courses (i.e. Biology? Math?)
- Other? Check carefully!
 - Portfolio?
 - Letter of experience?
 - Audition?
 - Interview?



Grades

Colleges do NOT post admission averages

Colleges post minimum grades (i.e. 70% in ENG4C1)



Grades

- Some colleges will only use required course marks for admission (Mohawk College does this)
- Some colleges will use an average of senior level marks including required courses (Sheridan does this)
- Most colleges will treat C level and U level courses equally (Conestoga gives 10 bonus marks to U and M courses)



Required Courses in Semester Two?

- Each college has its own policy
- Some colleges try to fill all seats in March
- If the ENG4C1 class is Semester Two, colleges will use ENG3C1 from last year
- Some colleges reserve spaces for students with prerequisites in Semester Two – some offers go out in March and some go out in May

Upgrading

- Colleges will use the highest attempt, <u>not</u> the most recent (this is good!)
- Colleges will usually wait for summer school grades and re-evaluate your application in August



What is in your control?

- Not much! Colleges have policies and worrying about them won't help!
- Do your very best in every course, especially the courses required for your program



Questions?

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