

# Choosing Courses for Grade 12

February 14, 2025



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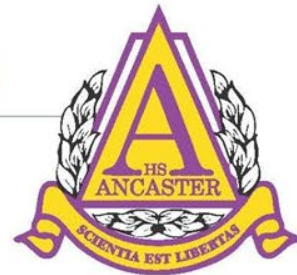
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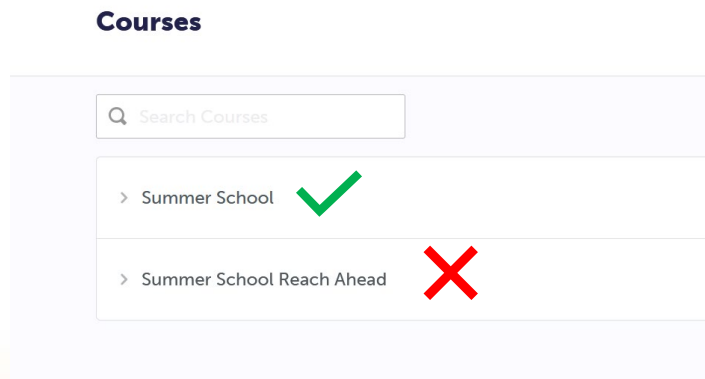
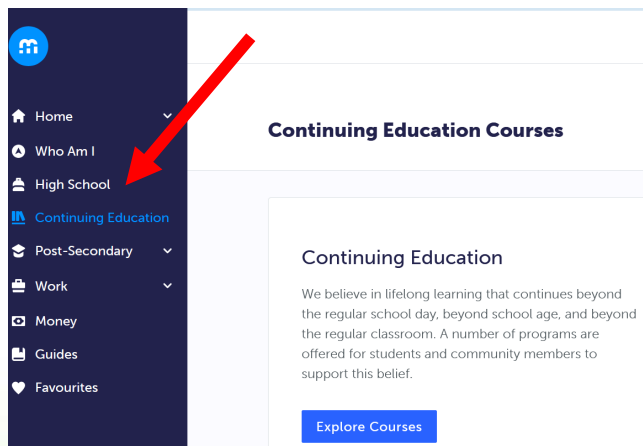
# Questions?





# Summer School – Register Now in myBlueprint!

For start and end dates, and course offerings, go to [www.hwdsb.on.ca/cce/summer/summer-school-on-line](http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/cce/summer/summer-school-on-line)





### **IMPORTANT - you can choose only:**

ONE Summer Co-op Course – recommended for SHSM and OYAP students

**OR** ONE Summer School FULL/1 credit course

**OR** Civics (.5 credit) AND/OR Careers (.5 credit)



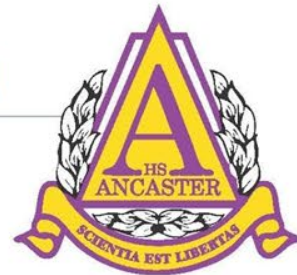
# Remember Timetable Changes?

- While it's fresh...
- Since March 2024, guidance counsellors made about 1000 timetable changes to both semester one and two classes
- Since January 20<sup>th</sup>, guidance counsellors made over 250 timetable changes...just for semester two!
- Many students requested multiple changes...and some asked us to reverse the change we already made!
- Remember how full classes were? E-Learning too?
- Please plan carefully for next year – this will help you and us!



# Please Choose Carefully

- Course choices are due in myBlueprint by February 20<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m.
- Your parents/guardians are asked to verify those choices in Parent Portal (web version only) from March 3-7, 2025
- Starting March 1<sup>st</sup>, the Board uses myBlueprint data to decide exactly how many courses we can have at Ancaster High. **This number won't change** and that's why late requests for timetable changes or e-Learning are so difficult to accommodate!
  - We always try our best to support students with a plan to help them graduate and pursue post-secondary (apprenticeship, college, university)
- Ask for help/advice: older siblings, teachers, guidance counsellors

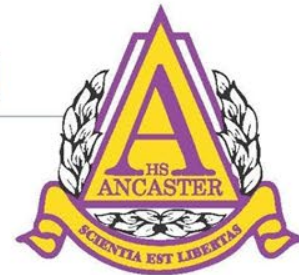


# Tracking Your Graduation Requirements

## Status Sheet

Distributed to your homeroom teacher

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### 30 Credits Needed to Graduate

- 18 compulsory\*
- 12 electives\*

*\*The Ministry of Education asks that you take two of these via e-Learning or ask your parent/guardians to opt out in Parent Portal*

BTT101-21	1	1.00	0	16		
CGC1D1-23	1	1.00	0	10		
FSF1D1-22	1	1.00	0	5		
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1	English 9	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
2	English 10	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	English 11	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	English 12	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	French	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
6	Other Math	2.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
7	Senior Math	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8	Science	2.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
9	Canadian History	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	Canadian Geography	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
11	The Arts	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
12	Health and Physical Education	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
13	Civics	0.50	0.50	0.00	0.50	0.00
14	Career Studies	0.50	0.50	0.00	0.50	0.00
15	Group 1 EN/TLSS/CDN & W	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
16	Group 2 PHE/BUS/ARTS	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
17	Group 3 SNC/TECH	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
99	Optional Credits	12.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Credits to date			5.00	0.00	9.00	0.00

GLC2O3	89	2020/07	0.50	14
ADA1O1	90	2021/02	1.00	11
ENG1D1	90	2021/02	1.00	1
MPM1D1	86	2021/02	1.00	6
SNC1D1	93	2021/02	1.00	8

Potential column means the credit will be finished in June

Previous means the credit has been achieved

Required indicates the number of credits needed in that category





# Groups

## Group 1

- English - including the Ontario Literacy Course – OLC4O1 (*Ex: EMS3O or EWC4C1*)
- French (*Ex: Any French after grade 9*)
- Native Languages
- First Nations, Métis, and Inuit studies
- Classical studies and international languages (*Ex: Spanish*)
- Social sciences and the humanities (*Ex: anything that starts with “H” like HFC3M1*)
- Canadian and world studies (*Ex: anything that starts with a “C” like CGG3O1*)
- Guidance and career education (*Ex: anything that starts with a “G” like GWL3O1*)
- Co-op



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### Group 2

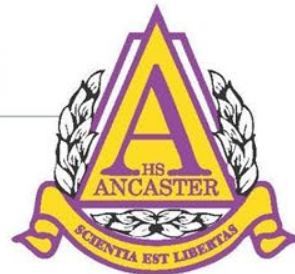
- Additional Art course (*Starts with an “A” like A*VI3O1)
- Additional Physical Education course (*Starts with a “P” like P*AL3O1)
- Additional French course like FSF2D1
- Any Business course (*Starts with a “B” like B*MI3C1)
- Co-op



## Groups

### Group 3

- Additional Science course from Grade 11 or 12 (*Starts with an "S" like SVN3M1*)
- Additional French course like *FSF2D1*
- Any Technology course (*Starts with a "T" like TMJ3C1*)
- Any Computer Studies/Computer Science course (*Starts with an "I" like ICS3U1*)
- Co-op



## Community Involvement & Literacy

- Students require 40 hours of community involvement
- Students must pass the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test  
(\*The Literacy Course is available to some students)

Courses										Assigned Diploma Information	
Date	Credit Earned	Dip Cat	Notes	Course	Mark	Date	Credit Earned	Dip Cat	Notes	Diploma Type:	Diploma Date:
2020/01	1.00	1								Ontario Secondary School Diploma	Ontario Scholar: No
2020/01	1.00	5									
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										Other Information	
										Cohort: 2019	
										Mature Student: No	
										Entered OSSD After Gr 9: No	
										OYAP Program: No	
										Community Involvement Hours	
										54.00	
										Ontario School Literacy Req.	
										Successfully completed in English	
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										Not applicable	
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## Course Options for 2025-2026

- Use this sheet to plan 8 courses for next year (9 if you take Repertoire Music)
- Most courses are also offered via e-Learning (make your choices in myBlueprint)

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### ANCASTER HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OFFERINGS (2023-2024)



Courses on this document are offered in-person. Most are also offered via e-Learning. Students choose preference in Xello. Some courses not listed here are offered **ONLY** via e-Learning. Students find e-Learning-only courses in Xello under the e-Learning discipline.

#### SPECIAL PROGRAMS – ANCASTER HIGH

Ancaster High School offers six special programs that add to your Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD). All begin in Grade 11 and require little to no preparation in Grade 9 and 10. They are:

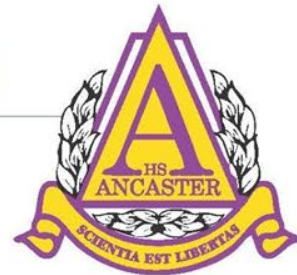
- **International Baccalaureate Diploma Program** (e-mail Mr. Taylor at [dtaylor@hwdsb.on.ca](mailto:dtaylor@hwdsb.on.ca)). This requires FSFD1 & MCR3U1 in Grade 10.
- **Specialist High Skills Majors (SHSM)** in Hospitality & Tourism, Information & Communication, Manufacturing, Health & Wellness, and Arts & Culture. Please see back of page for a summary of required courses

#### SPECIAL PROGRAMS – SYSTEM WIDE

HWDSB offers seven system programs at other schools and require applications and sometimes interviews/auditions. All begin in Grade 11. Please select the course code in Xello to alert your guidance counsellor to your interest and then make an appointment:

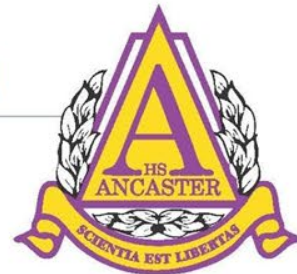
1. **"Work in Progress"** Program (HWWIPP) offers paid co-op for students who need help graduating
2. **ArtSmart (HWARTSM)** offers specialized courses in drama, voice, instrumental, dance, and musical theatre
3. **Building Careers from the Ground Up (HWWBILD)** provides courses in residential/commercial construction
4. **Canadian Forces Co-op Program (HWCDF)** enrolls students in the Canadian Forces (militia) for one semester
5. **Healthcare Support Services Program (HWHCAL)** teaches students clinical support skills in a simulated hospital ward setting
6. **Mohawk College Dual Credits (HWMDCD)** offers students a half-day at Mohawk College in college courses that also count for high school
7. **Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program – Accelerated OYAP (HWOYAPA)** offers students with co-op placements Level One training

ARTS	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
Drama	ADA101	ADA201	ADA3M1	ADA4M1
Drama – Music Theatre			ADB3M1 or ADB3O1	ADB4M1 or ADB4E1
Visual Arts	AVI101	AVI201	AVI3M1 or AVI3O1	AVI4M1 or AVI4E1
Visual Arts – Crafts	AWA101 (New!)	AWA201		
Visual Arts – Ceramics			AWC3M1	
Visual Arts – Drawing & Painting				AWM4M1
Visual Arts – Stage Design			AWJ3O1 (New!)	AWJ4E1 (New!)
CANADIAN & WORLD STUDIES	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
American History			CHA3U1	
Analyzing Current Economic Issues				CIA4U1
Canadian and International Law				CLN4U1
Canadian History Since World War 1		CHC2D1 or CHC2P1		
Civics and Citizenship (also take GLC303)		CHV203		
Genocide and Crimes Against Humanity			CHG3B1	
Issues in Canadian Geography	CGC1D1			
Legal Studies				CLN4C1 (New!)
Travel and Tourism: A Regional Geographic Perspective			CGG3O1	
Understanding Canadian Law			CLU3M1	
World History since the Fifteenth Century				CHY4U1 (New!)
COOPERATIVE EDUCATION	GRADE 11 & 12			
Co-op – (2 credits) *Notes: 4-credit co-op's are not always approved. Choose "2 credit" co-op + 2 regular courses and discuss with counsellor	Students will meet with the coop teacher to discuss placement. Listen to announcements for date of the Orientation Meeting (April, 2023)			
	DCO3O2			
ENGLISH	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
English	ENG1W1	ENG2D1 or ENG2P1	ENG3C1, ENG3E1, or ENG3U1	ENG4C1, ENG4E1, or ENG4U1
English – Locally Developed		ENG2L1		
Ontario Literacy Course				OLCAO1
The Writer's Craft				EW4C1 or EW4U1 (New!)



# e-Learning Courses at HWDSB

- Nearly every course offered in-person at Ancaster High School is also offered via e-Learning
- e-Learning offers some unique options NOT offered here at Ancaster High, *like CPC30 – Politics in Action*
- For the full list, check your January 13<sup>th</sup> e-mail, or go to our website: [www.hwdsb.on.ca/ancasterhigh/student-services/course-information](http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/ancasterhigh/student-services/course-information)
- Be careful when choosing “regular” courses. Look for the “eL”



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Science

Grade 9 Science  
Grade 9 • SNC1W1 • 1 Credit • Open

Grade 10 Science  
Grade 10 • SNC2D1 • 1 Credit • Academic

Grade 10 Science  
Grade 10 • SNC2L1 • 1 Credit • Locally Developed

Grade 10 Science  
Grade 10 • SNC2P1 • 1 Credit • Applied

Grade 11 Environmental Science (University/College Preparation)  
Grade 11 • SVN3M1 • 1 Credit • University/College

> Biology

> Chemistry

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eLearning

BIOLOGY SBI3C1eL  
Grade 11 • SBI3C1eL • 1 Credit • College

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BIOLOGY SBI4U1eL  
Grade 12 • SBI4U1eL • 1 Credit • University

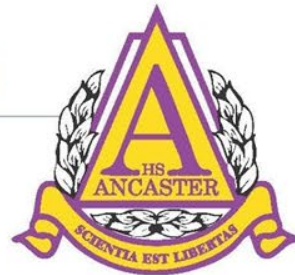
CHEMISTRY SCH3U1eL  
Grade 11 • SCH3U1eL • 1 Credit • University

CHEMISTRY SCH4C1eL  
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Grade 12 • SCH4U1eL • 1 Credit • University

EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE SES4U1eL  
Grade 12 • SES4U1eL • 1 Credit • University

SCIENCE LOCALLY DEVELOPED COMP



## e-Learning has Class Maximums Too!

- Remember – all e-Learning must be chosen by February 20<sup>th</sup>
- After myBlueprint closes, we cannot guarantee e-Learning to anyone who asks to change a class from in-person to e-Learning
- Every e-Learning course is taught by a teacher working in a high school somewhere in Ontario and has a class size maximum
- We cannot make more room in e-Learning
- So...if you want e-Learning in grade 12 – please choose it in myBlueprint by February 20<sup>th</sup>!





## Full Disclosure

- Applies to Grade 11 and 12 courses only
- Starting **five days after mid-semester report cards**, all courses in which a student is registered will be recorded on the transcript
- Courses that are dropped, failed, or repeated after this date will appear on your transcript
- Check post-secondary schools' policies



# Which Schools Consider Dropped, Failed, or Repeated Courses?

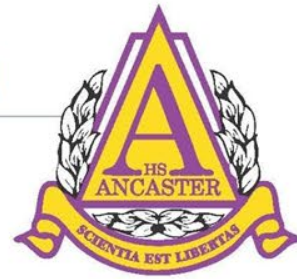
- It is the student's responsibility to research this and consider this before dropping or repeating a course
  - Usually, only universities consider this (not colleges)
- **Most universities will consider only the attempt resulting in the highest grade**
- Some schools insist on using the most RECENT attempt, even if the grade is lower than the first attempt (*it happens!*)
- We suggest reviewing the University of Waterloo, University of Toronto, and Wilfrid Laurier's policies



# What's Your Best?

- Grade 12 is the year to do your best in each course
- Will you be able to achieve the admission average to attend the school and program of your choice?
- Make sure that you are taking courses that allow you to succeed to the levels required for admission to your apprenticeship, college, or university program

Queen's University Business	University of Toronto Mississauga Commerce
Admission: 87+	Admission: Mid 80s



## Pathways to Post-Secondary

A	C	U	W
Apprenticeship	College	University	Workplace

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# Degree Programs (College & University)

- Universities mostly offer three and four-year degree programs, most also offer diplomas/certificates as supplemental qualifications
- Please remember that “colleges” also offer degree programs





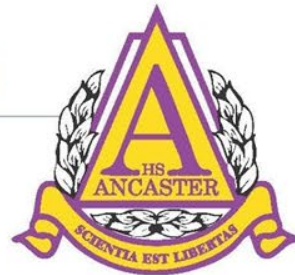
# Pathway - University

- All Ontario universities require:
  - Six Grade 12 University Pathway (4U) or Grade 12 University/College-Level (4M) courses
  - **“6 4U/4M Courses”**
- Most Ontario universities require that **ENG4U1** is one of those six
- The “other five” requirements change from program to program and (less so) from university to university



# University Application Process

- Students start applying in September 2025
- The deadline to apply with guidance support is December 12, 2025
  - There are other deadlines for portfolios, supplemental information, and interviews in 2026
- In September 2025 we will send the universities all Grade 11 marks and any completed Grade 12 marks from this year
  - This includes any course taken in July 2025. Please make sure we get your report card if you are taking courses outside of HWDSB



# University Application Process

- Some universities will extend an early offer of admission based on a combination of **five** 3U/3M or 4U/4M grades (if available) in **required** courses (*i.e. English, Math, Physics, Chemistry, etc.*)
- “Early” offers mean any time before May 2026!
- Final decisions arrive after **Semester Two Mid-semester Grades**
- Ultimately, decisions are based on **final** and **mid-semester** grades in **six 4U/4M** courses





# McMaster University

## Repeated Courses

- We will use the highest grade reported in the calculation of the admission average.
- We may ask students who repeated more than 2 courses, or individual courses more than twice, to provide a letter detailing any extenuating circumstances that may have led to repeating multiple courses.

## Special Consideration

- Students with extenuating circumstances may submit a request for a special consideration form.  
<https://admissions.mcmaster.ca/manage/login>
- We evaluate extenuating circumstances on a case-by-case basis.

## Summer/Night School, Virtual/e-Learning, Private School and Correspondence Courses

- We accept all Ministry-inspected and -approved courses.
- Students may not use summer school courses taken in 2024 to meet the conditions of an offer of admission for September 2024 because the course work is completed after the June 30, 2024, deadline.

## Grade 11 Grades

- All programs will make offers of admission using Grade 12 grades only.
- Midwifery may review Grade 11 English, Biology and Chemistry grades for applicants to the Midwifery program if the mandatory Grade 12 prerequisite courses are in progress at the time of application.

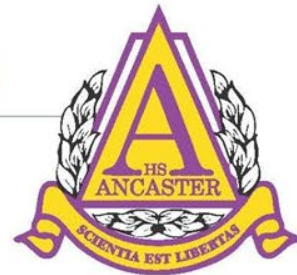
## Fall Offer of Admission

- First Round: Late February to early March. Based on 4U/M grades available as of the end of February. Students must present a minimum of 3 courses with final grades and registration in any remaining required courses (for a minimum of 6 enrolled courses), or 6 interim grades including all required courses, to be completed by June 30, 2024. **Note:** Some by-selection programs will not make offers during this round.
- Second Round: Late April to early May. Based on six 4U/M courses, including all required courses available as of early May. Where students are unable to present grades for six 4U/M courses, we will assess them on the available grades provided they are registered in any outstanding courses with a completion date of June 30, 2024.



## University Application Process

- Start researching universities now
- Start looking at samples of non-academic requirements like essays, portfolios, interviews, etc.
- Visit this website often: [www.ouinfo.ca](http://www.ouinfo.ca)
- Go to the Ontario Universities' Fair in September 27-28, 2025

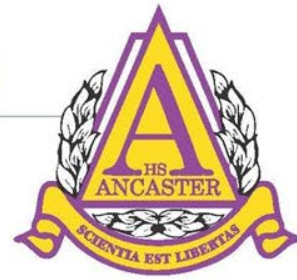


# Our Most Popular Universities

Last year, 158 students accepted an offer to university. McMaster University was Ancaster High's most popular university that year with 50 confirmed offers for September 2024

Top 8 Schools	# Confirmed Offers Fall 2024
McMaster	50
Guelph	24
Western	18
Toronto	15
Laurier	
Waterloo	8
Brock	7
Queen's	5

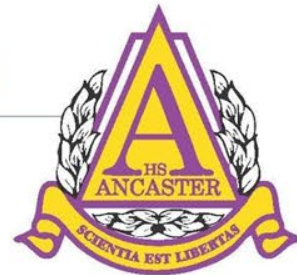




# Pathways - College

- Colleges offer some degrees (same requirements as a university - 6 4U/4M courses)
- B.Sc.N. degrees are very popular
- Colleges mostly offer:
  - One-year certificates
  - two-year diploma programs
  - three-year advanced diploma programs (these can lead to degrees)
- All diplomas require Grade 12 College Preparation English (ENG4C1) or Grade 12 University Preparation English (ENG4U1)





# Pathways - College

- Students apply in November 2025
- Colleges use Grade 11 OR Grade 12 marks for admission
- *If your Grade 12 English (ENG4C1/ENG4U1) isn't until Semester Two next year, colleges will use your final grade in **Grade 11 English!***
- Offers of admission begin as soon as you pay for your application, **OR** in February 2026 and continue until all spaces are full
- Some programs are HIGHLY competitive
- High grades in college preparation courses are better than lower grades in university preparation courses





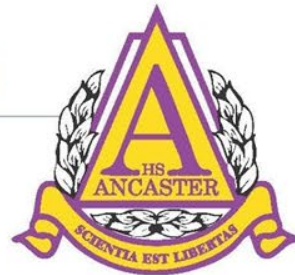
## Our Top Colleges

- 63 students accepted an offer to an Ontario college in 2024 for a diploma or degree
- Most of those students went to Mohawk
- Others went to places like Conestoga, Humber, and Sheridan



## Pathways - Apprenticeship

- Apprentices must graduate high school
- Apprenticeships can only be acquired through sponsorship or employment by a person or company from the related trade
- High school co-op can lead to an apprenticeship
- Dual Credit opportunities at college can also lead to apprenticeship



## The One Course All Grade 12's Must Take

- All Grade 12 students require a fourth **English** credit
- If you have failed a compulsory Semester One class, please re-take this in Grade 12 (English or Math)
- Students should choose any remaining Group 1, 2, or 3 compulsory credit





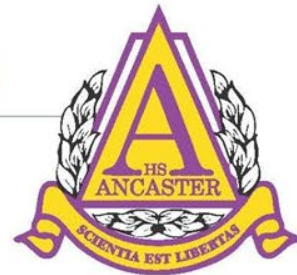
## Electives

- Must have a Grade 11 Arts credit to take a Grade 12 Arts (Visual Arts or Dramatic Arts)
- Must have a Grade 11 Music credit to take Grade 12 Music (Instrumental or Repertoire)
- Must have Grade 11 French to take this in Grade 12
- All Grade 12 Technology courses require a Grade 11 pre-requisite



# Choosing Electives

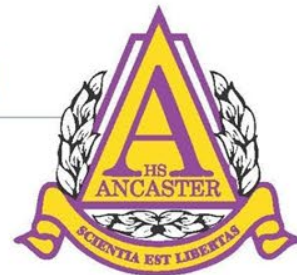
- Talk to your Grade 11 teachers about other courses they teach
- Talk to your guidance counsellor about courses that you should take for your future career
- Use myBlueprint for detailed course information
- Attend our Elective Course Fair on **February 19<sup>th</sup>** in the morning in the cafeteria/library



# Pre-Requisites for Grade 12

Many Grade 12 courses have only general prerequisites

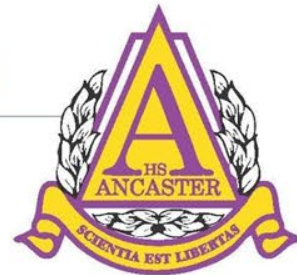
Grade 12 Course	Pre-requisite in Grade 11
Social Science/Humanities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grade 11 English</li> <li>Any Grade 11 Social Science/Humanities</li> <li>Any Grade 11 Can. &amp; World Studies</li> </ul>
Canadian & World Studies	
<i>Examples: World History, Law, Nutrition &amp; Health, Economics</i>	<i>Examples: American History, Food &amp; Culture, Intro. to Anthropology, Psychology, Sociology</i>



# Pre-Requisites for Grade 12

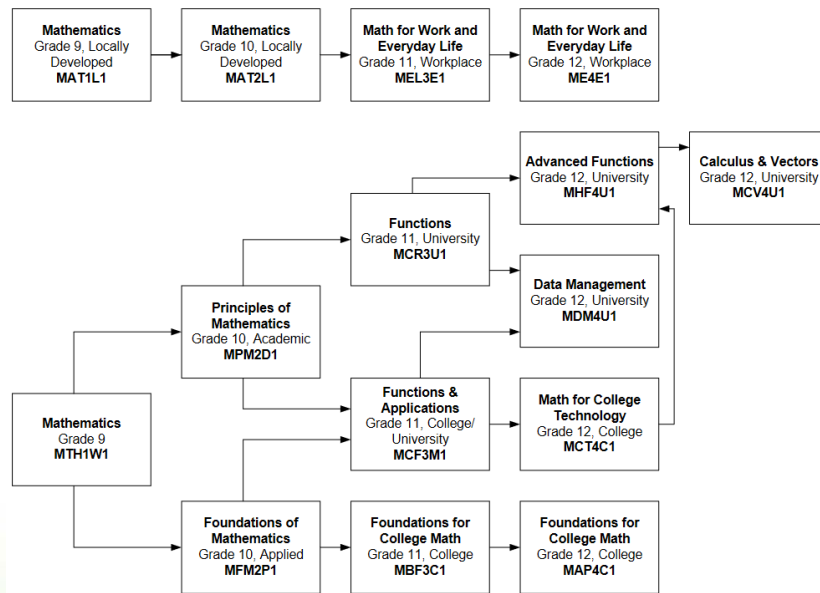
Some grade 12 courses have “specific” prerequisites

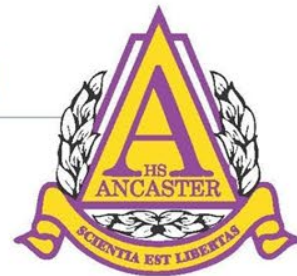
	REQUIRES
Grade 12 University Science	Grade 11 University Science
Grade 12 Accounting	Grade 11 Accounting
Grade 12 Technology/Art/Language	Grade 11 Technology/Art/Language
Grade 12 Computer Science	Grade 11 Computer Science



## Math

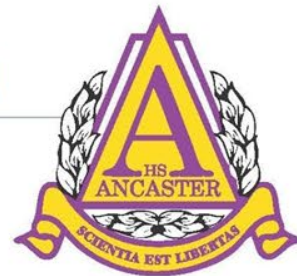
### Choosing the correct level of Math in Grade 12





### Some Degrees **Require** and Some **Recommend** “Any” Grade 12 **University-Preparation** Math

Area of Study at University	Grade 12 Math Required	Grade 11 Pre-requisite
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nursing</li> <li>• Education (Primary Grades)</li> <li>• Some Kinesiology</li> <li>• Management (not “Business”)</li> </ul>	<p>Only one 4U Math which could be:</p> <p>Data Management (MDM4U1)</p>	<p>Functions &amp; Relations (MCF3M1)</p>



# Universities Might **Require** One or Two Specific Grade 12 University-Level Math

Area of Study at University	Grade 12 Math Required	Grade 11 Pre-requisite
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engineering</li> <li>• Science</li> <li>• Computer Science</li> <li>• Business (Accounting, Marketing, Finance, etc.)</li> <li>• Some Kinesiology</li> </ul>	<p>Calculus &amp; Vectors (MCV4U1*)</p> <p>and/or</p> <p>Advanced Functions (MHF4U1)</p>	<p>Functions (MCR3U1)</p>

*\*MHF4U1 is the pre-requisite for MCV4U1*



### Colleges **Might** Require One Grade 12 Math

Area of Study at College	Grade 12 Math Required	Grade 11 Pre-requisite
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engineering Technology</li> <li>Veterinary Technology</li> </ul>	MCT4C1 (Math for College Technology) <b>or</b> High grades in MAP4C1 (Foundations for College)	Functions and Relations (MCF3M1) <b>or</b> MBF3C1 (Foundations for College)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Non technical programs</li> </ul>	High grades in MAP4C1 (Foundations for College)	MBF3C1 (Foundations for College)





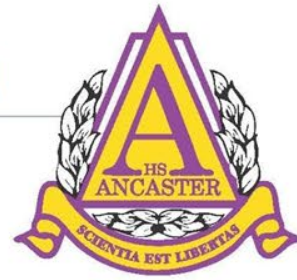
# Math and Apprenticeship/Workplace

- Any Grade 10 Math course is okay for an apprenticeship
- Grade 10 Applied (MFM2P1) is recommended
- For future Electricians...more Math is better!
- [www.skilledtradesontario.ca](http://www.skilledtradesontario.ca)



## Planning for Year 5

- Most students plan to graduate in four years
- We support five-year graduation plans
- Students who wish to return for a fifth year of high school are allowed **Semester One** classes only
- Return with a PLAN!
- Do your best in grade 12!



Special Programs at  
Ancaster High School  
*(Started in September 2024,  
Still Time to Register!)*



# Special Programs that Began in September 2024

*(Still Time to Register!)*

We have five Specialist High Skills Majors (SHSM)

- Students take a two-credit co-op in Grade 11, 12, or summer
- Students take a special bundle of five courses (see back of option sheet for the complete list)

Students can choose **one** specialist high skills major from these areas:

- Arts & Culture
- Information & Communication Technology
- Health & Wellness
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Manufacturing

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## Picking IB Courses in myBlueprint: Don't Forget the "B"

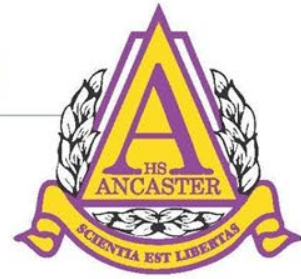
Everyone in Grade 12 IB takes the same 8 courses:

ENG4U1B, ETS4U1B, HZT4U1B, MCV4U1B, SBI4U1B, PSK4U1B,  
SCH4U1B, SNC4M1B

Ab initio Spanish Students Take LWSDU1B

IB French Students Can Choose ONE OSSD elective!

NOTE: there is a high chance of conflict with your one OSSD elective



# Special Board-Wide Programs

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## HWDSB Dual Credit Programs 2025-2026



### **Dual Credit students:**

- Spend half the day at Mohawk College and half the day at their home school
- Earn 2 college credits and 2 high school credits
- Are taught by Mohawk College instructors
- Are supported and monitored by a HWDSB Teacher
- Become ready for a successful transition to college

**TRY COLLEGE FOR FREE!** -- No cost for transportation, textbooks, or course materials.



### **Grade 11 and 12 Students are eligible to participate if:**

- They have not yet graduated (\*post-graduates are not eligible)
- Completed most, or all, of their compulsory credits
- Have had some success in college preparation courses
- Could benefit from a college pathway experience
- Has the potential to succeed and is ready to focus on reaching their full academic potential

**Please see your guidance counsellor to determine eligibility**

### **Semester 1: September – December 2025 (*Fennell Campus*)**

AM Mohawk Bridge: Developmental Psychology & Health and Wellness

AM ESL Bridge: College 101 & The Canadian Job Market

PM Mohawk Bridge: Positive Psychology & Movies, Identity and Culture

PM Graphic Design: Graphic Design Layout 1 & Animation

### **Semester 2: February – June 2026 (*Fennell Campus*)**

AM Mohawk Bridge: Positive Psychology & Movies, Identity and Culture

AM Community Services: Intro to Social Service Worker & Recreation Therapy

PM Mohawk Bridge: Developmental Psychology & Health and Wellness

PM Computer Technology: HTML and CSS & Computer Hardware and Software

### **Semester 2: February – June 2026 (*Stoney Creek Campus*)**

AM Welding: Introduction to Welding & Trade Calculations (Math Techniques)

**Online Application: HWDSB Dual Credit Website**

[hwww.hwdsb.on.ca/secondary/programs/dual-credit](http://hwww.hwdsb.on.ca/secondary/programs/dual-credit)

Apply Today for 2025-2026  
Dual Credit Programs!





# OYAP - Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program

- In high school, any co-op in an apprenticeship-able trade is OYAP
- Some special areas offer ACCELERATED OYAP. This means students leave high school with LEVEL 1 training!
- Some of the accelerated fields include:
  - Child Development Practitioner
  - Child and Youth Worker
  - General Carpenter
  - Construction Craft Worker
  - Automotive Service Technician
  - Assistant Cook
  - Hairstyling



# Special Co-op

- Centralized placements require an interview (competing with students from other school boards)
  - City of Hamilton, Hamilton Health Sciences
  - Sheraton Hotel, St. Joseph's Healthcare, etc.
- Competitive co-op opportunities through HWDSB:
  - ArtSmart/Musical Theatre
  - Canadian Armed Forces Co-op
  - Building Careers from the Ground Up
  - Healthcare Support

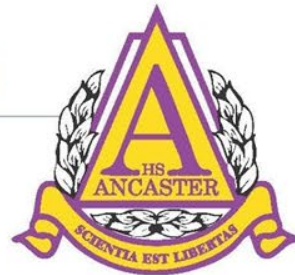


# e-Learning – A Final Reminder

e-Learning classes are **NOT easier** and are **NOT self-paced**

- The curriculum follows the same pace as regular classes
- There are due dates throughout the course
- Units will end and the curriculum will be locked
- There will be a culminating activity and/or exam although not proctored in a face-to-face setting

Please: if you want to take e-Learning next year, choose this in myBlueprint by February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025



# Using myBlueprint

Please access myBlueprint this way:

Go to [www.myblueprint.ca/hwdsb](http://www.myblueprint.ca/hwdsb) and then click

School Account Log In

All students choose 8 courses and one alternate course just in case we can't offer an elective course to you.

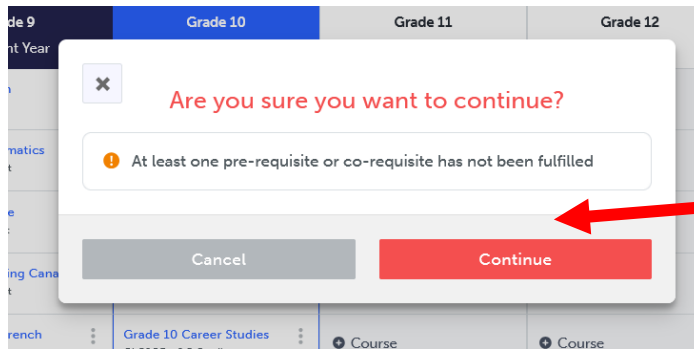
If you're taking an important course in summer school, myBlueprint might ask you to submit your courses with an error and leave us a note.



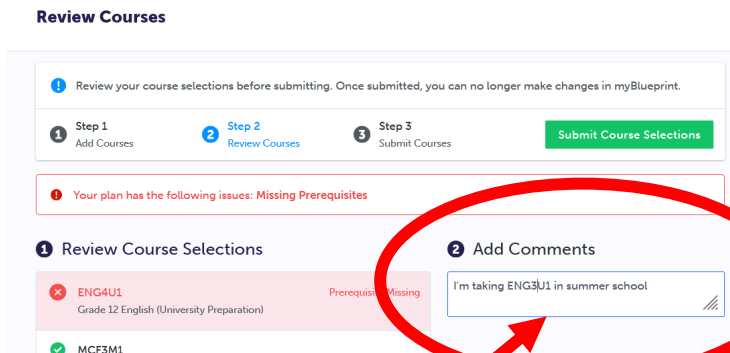
Grade 11 Next Year
Grade 12 English (Universi... ENG4U1 • 1 Credit
Grade 11 Functions and ... MCF3M1 • 1 Credit
Grade 11 Travel and Touris... CGG3O1 • 1 Credit
Drama – Music Theatre ADB3O1 • 1 Credit
Grade 11 Introduction to ... ICS3U1 • 1 Credit
Grade 11 Introduction to F... BAF3M1 • 1 Credit
Grade 11 Marketing (Colle... BMI3C1 • 1 Credit
Grade 11 Hockey PAD3O1 • 1 Credit
+ Repertoire Music
Alternates
Grade 10 Digital Technolo... ICD2O1 • 1 Credit

myBlueprint  
KNOWS this student  
has picked ENG4U1  
without first taking  
ENG3U1.

myBlueprint is  
warning you that you  
need to take  
ENG3U1



We've  
designed  
myBlueprint to  
still let you  
submit  
courses to us  
with "errors"



You must leave us a  
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# Parent Approval OPTIONAL in myBlueprint

ent/guardian so that they may confirm your selections

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### Parent/Guardian Approval

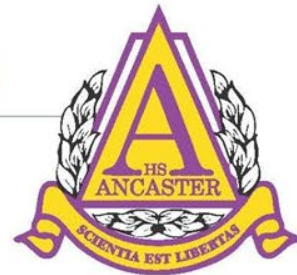
Please add a parent or guardian email below for us to share your course selection.  
Your parent/guardian will be asked to approve your course selection.

Parent/Guardian Email

Send Approval Email

This is NOT OFFICIAL but is a nice tool to show your caregivers what you picked

**OFFICIAL**  
**parent/guardian Course**  
**Verification only**  
**happens via Parent**  
**Portal (web version)**  
**from March 3-7**



# Need Help? Advice?

Attend our café-style guidance sessions in the library next week on **February 18, 19, or 20<sup>th</sup>** at lunch

- No need for an appointment – bring your best ideas and we'll answer your questions!

Attend our **Elective Course Fair on February 19<sup>th</sup>** in the morning!

- All grade 9, 10, and 11 classes will be called to the library!

Make an appointment or e-mail us!

A-F	Ms. O'Sullivan	<a href="mailto:cosulliv@hwdsb.on.ca">cosulliv@hwdsb.on.ca</a>
G-M	Mr. Nicholson	<a href="mailto:snichols@hwdsb.on.ca">snichols@hwdsb.on.ca</a>
N-Z	Ms. Turner	<a href="mailto:jturner@hwdsb.on.ca">jturner@hwdsb.on.ca</a>



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