

# HWDSB

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## Sir Allan MacNab University Application Seminar October 25, 2022



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## Requirements for University Application

- OSSD
- 30 credits
- 40 Community of Community Service
- OSSLT (Literacy Test) or OSSLC (OLC401 Course)
- ENG4U

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## Requirements for University Application (Continued)

- ENG4U
- 5 other grade 12 U or M credits (some Universities limit the amount of “M” courses you can use to apply)
- Some specialty programs require specific Science or Math credits
- Specific schools will have other application requirements depending on the program (e.g. Queen’s Personal Statement of Experience)
- It is a student’s responsibility to ensure that they have completed all prerequisites for their chosen program



## Volunteer Hours

- 40 hours of community involvement are required by May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 in order to be eligible to graduate and attend University or College.
- 10 hours for Paid work and 30 hours for household duties will be accepted as volunteer hours for June, 2023 graduates
- Find a community volunteer opportunity on MacNab's website (click on Student Services, click on Community Involvement, use the links)
- Talk to a guidance counsellor if you are struggling to secure your 40 volunteer hours



## Visa and International Students

- Visa and international students who have not been in Canada for four years will be required to take the TOEFL test or some other English requirement by most Universities.
- It is a student's responsibility to know the requirements for admission and identify which English language requirement is needed for their specific program
- Cost and arrangement for these tests is the responsibility of the individual student



## Cost to Apply to University

- All fees are non-refundable. Your application will not be forwarded to your University choices until you submit full payment to the OUAC. Fees for withdrawn University choices are not refunded
- Base Application Fee: \$150 which includes the initial three University programs choices
- Payment methods: Payment by VISA, MasterCard, American Express (have your CV number ready) or online banking. Do not complete payment transactions at school



## Cost to Apply to University (Continued)

- Additional choice fee is \$50 per additional choice for each University choice beyond the three that are included in the initial \$150 base fee. For example, you will be charged \$100 extra if you choose two additional programs. In this scenario, your application fee will be \$150 + \$100 for a total of \$250 for 5 choices
- Note: You may apply to as many Ontario Universities and programs as you wish, however, you are limited to a maximum of three program choices at any one University (including affiliates). Some Universities may further limit the number of programs to which you may apply



## PIN Number and Access to OUAC

- Student Services has sent all information for eligible students to OUAC
- PIN numbers for your application are ready for pick up in Student Services from Ms. G.
- International Service Fee of \$10 if you are not a Canadian citizen or permanent resident (landed immigrant)
- Supplemental Program fees vary and cover the cost of the individual faculty admission process. The supplemental fee is non-refundable. An example is the \$50 SPF to apply to McMaster Engineering.



## PIN Number and Access to OUAC (Continued)

- PIN's are confidential:
  - Do not share your PIN with anyone
  - Do not lose your PIN
- It is your responsibility to inform Student Services of any changes to your application or of any courses taken outside of the regular school schedule (eLearning through CE, ILC courses, night school, etc.)



## Information Required for University Applications

- Mident number (MacNab's is 941719)
- Valid email
- All given legal names in full
- Legal surname (last name)
- Gender
- Date of birth
- Marital status
- Status in Canada
- Country of citizenship
- Arrival date in Canada (month, year)
- Another contact person
- Current phone number
- Address, including postal code
- Program code for each university (found on the [einfo.ca](http://einfo.ca) site)
- Method of payment
- OEN (Ontario Ed Number)



## Ontario University Application Centre

- OUAC is the organization that collects personal and grade information from University applicants and sends it on to the schools to which the applicant is applying
- The website for the University program search engine can be accessed by simply googling:

einfo (Select University)

or: [www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca](http://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca)



- Go to: [www.ouac.on.ca](http://www.ouac.on.ca) to apply to Ontario Universities
- Important items that can be found on the website include:
  - Frequently Asked Questions
  - The Online Application Tutorial
- During the application process, be sure to record the OUAC reference number you receive and keep it in a safe place. You require this number, along with your password for future access to your application and to respond to University offers of admission



## Ontario Universities' Fair

- Universities adjusted past practices in terms of how they communicate with students. One positive change is that virtual tours are available for all Ontario Universities. We encourage you to contact the University directly and book a virtual or in-person tour. For example, google “McMaster University Virtual Tour”. Once on the page, click on “HAVE YOU CONSIDERED A LIVE VIRTUAL TOUR...then follow the prompts for the various tour options”
- University and College representatives are presenting at lunch in the LLC
- Virtual Tours for Universities can also be booked by going to the Ontario Universities' Info website at: [www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca](http://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca)



## Ontario Universities' Fair

- Register for OUF Virtual events at:

<https://www.ontariouniversitiesfair.ca/virtual/>

- November 9<sup>th</sup> (5-8 PM)
- December 1<sup>st</sup> (5-8 PM)



## Fall Preview Days/Spring Open Houses

- All Universities will host some type of campus experience – virtual and in-person in many cases
- Many Universities will want to host March Break Open Houses – In person activities may happen, if not, virtual experiences will replace the in-person experience
- McMaster is planning to host May@Mac through webinars and in-person tours
- Participating in University tours is a great way to get a feel for what the University is like and whether or not it is a good fit!



## Fall Preview Days

- McMaster University will host two Fall Preview Days:

Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>



## Goals for November

- Students have logged into OUAC with a username and password
- Verify that your information is correct including grades
- Tentatively choose and save at least one program



## Early Offers of Admission

- Students have no control over these offers
- Only some Universities use this marketing strategy
- Your application must be paid in full to qualify
- Early Offers are typically extended to students with 90%+ average in 6 G12 U/M courses and or the grade 11 prerequisite courses
- If Universities see that last year's 3U/3M as well as 4U/4M grades were comfortably higher than the estimated admission average for September 2023, you may receive an early offer
- Early offers are not issued for programs that require an audition, portfolio, or extensive supplemental information



## Early Offers (Continued)

- **Round 1 (December)**  
Grade 11 marks as well as any Grade 12 4U/4M courses that you have completed early, and grades from this current semester in progress (are uploaded on November 18)
- **Round 2 (February)**  
Final grades and some Grade 11 marks are considered. This is the round that is referred to as “early offer”
- **Final Offers (May)**  
Final offers are based on final grades from Semester 1 or previous years (if applicable) and semester 2 mid-term grades (if applicable)



## Key Dates

- January 12, 2023  
Deadline for Ontario University Application Centre. Students who have not applied by this date may not be considered for their University choices
- February 2023  
Semester 1 final marks are submitted to OUAC. **Students must check the accuracy of these grades**
- April, 2023  
Most early offers of admission are given (some exceptions). Students not eligible will be reconsidered in May

## Key Dates

- April, 2023  
Semester 2 mid-term grades are submitted to OUAC
- May 27, 2023  
The latest date by which all applicants shall expect:
  1. An offer of admission
  2. A refusal, or
  3. A deferral pending the receipt of more information



## Offers of Admission

- All offers of admission are conditional until you meet all requirements of admission
- Each conditional offer of admission will state the requirements of the offer. For example: Student must maintain a minimum average of 80%
- All conditional offers of admission will be confirmed or rescinded in July after final grades have been submitted to OUAC in early July, 2023



## After May...?

- Students who do not receive an offer by the May deadline must consider other options
- Some Universities will post available programs in early June through “Admission Information Services”
- Students can amend their application at this time and be considered for programs with available space



## Accept!

- The deadline an Ontario high school student must reply to an Ontario university offer of admission and give a financial commitment (e.g., registration deposit, residence deposit, etc.) is:

June 1, 2023



## Cost of Attending University

- Tuition and Ancillary Fees - \$6500 - \$1400+
- Room and Board - \$8000+
- Off-Campus Living - \$6000+
- Books and Supplies - \$1500+
- Personal Expenses - \$2000+
- Total Cost for One Year - \$10,500 - \$27,000+



## OSAP

- OSAP is a combination of grants and loans given to students who are pursuing post-secondary education
- OSAP is based on a series of criteria (family income, course load, program of study, etc.) to determine a student's eligibility
- You cannot apply for OSAP until you have been accepted and have confirmed your program choice
- Visit the following link for information on OSAP and apply:

<https://osap.gov.on.ca/OSAPPortal>



## Scholarships and Bursaries

### Scholarships

- Are awarded for scholastic achievement (academics, school involvement, volunteerism, etc.)
- You do not pay back scholarships

### Bursaries

- Are granted based on financial need (family income, student status, etc.)
- You do not pay back bursaries



## Websites for Scholarships and Bursaries

[StudentAwards.com](http://StudentAwards.com)

[Service Canada Centres for Youth](#)

[Ontario School Counsellors Association \(OSCA\)](#)

[Scholarship Report and Workshops](#)

Access to specific Scholarship and Bursary opportunities will be posted on the Student Services website and advertised on the school announcements once they become available. Ms. G has emailed all students the password to the Scholarship Report and Workshops



## Questions?

- Book an appointment with your guidance counsellor if you have any University questions in the coming days

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