

Choosing Courses for Grade 12



Q: When are 2025-2026 options due?

A: Friday, February 21, 2025

Q: How should I use my time before the deadline?

A: We are providing this information in advance of Semester 2 so students have time to do the following:

- **Research course options and post-secondary admission requirements**
- **Discuss planning and options with family**
- **See Guidance counsellor for support**
- **Confirm courses for Semester 2**

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What do you need to graduate?

30 Credits: 18 Compulsory and 12 Optional

40 Community Involvement Hours

Ontario Literacy Requirement

Online Learning Requirement (Your parents/caregivers can exempt you from this requirement)

WHAT COMPULSORY CREDITS DO YOU HAVE LEFT?

GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH
MATH	MATH	MATH	5+ ADDITIONAL CREDITS
SCIENCE	SCIENCE	6 ADDITIONAL CREDITS	
GEOGRAPHY	HISTORY		
FRENCH	CIVICS/CAREERS		
3 ADDITIONAL CREDITS	3 ADDITIONAL CREDITS		

Students must earn 1 credit from The Arts and 1 Credit from Health & Phys Ed.

3 COMPULSORY “GROUP” CREDITS

YOU MUST EARN ONE CREDIT FROM EACH OF THE 3 GROUPS

GROUP 1

English,
Native language, classical
/ international language,
social sciences,
Canadian and world
studies,
guidance and career
education

GROUP 2

health and
physical
education,
the arts,
business
studies

GROUP 3

science (Grade 11
or 12),
technological
education,
computer
studies,



The diagram consists of three black rectangular boxes arranged horizontally, each containing a group of compulsory credits. Below these boxes is a green rounded rectangular box. Three yellow arrows point upwards from the green box to the bottom of each of the three black boxes, indicating that the options in the green box can be used to fulfill the requirements of any of the three groups.

French as a Second Language, Cooperative Education

French Immersion

Must Select
FIF4U1I or
FIF4O1I as
optional
course choice

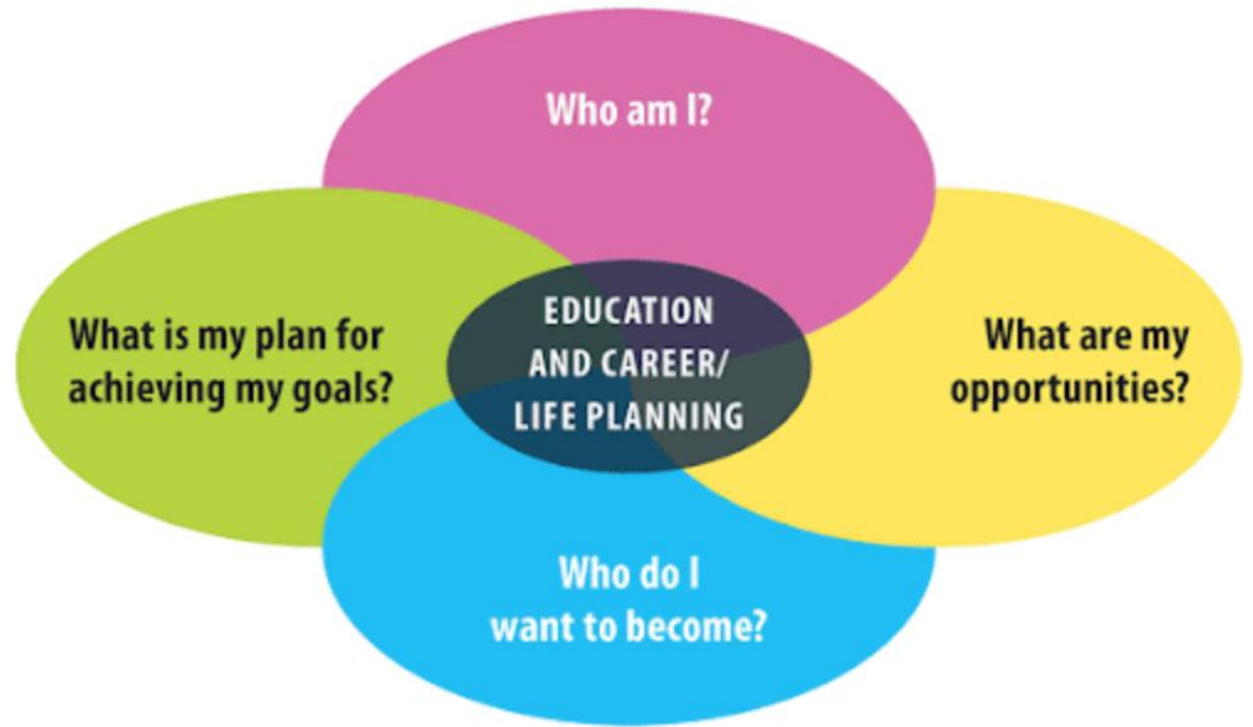
Use myBlueprint
French Immersion
Diploma Tool to
track your FI credit
progress.
You need 10 French
Immersion Credits
to earn your
certificate at
graduation

Grade 12 French
Immersion Options:
FIF4U1I/FIF4O1I
PPL4O1I

Students in all HWDSB Secondary Schools will be supported as they work towards their chosen post-secondary pathway.

In HWDSB we value ALL Five Pathways. The pathways include:

- ✓ Apprenticeship
- ✓ College
- ✓ Community
- ✓ University
- ✓ Work





Understanding Pathways

What is my first destination after high school?

What courses do I need to take to get there?

Researching University Programs

Research University
Programs in Ontario at
ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca

- Program Offerings
- Admission Requirements
- Range of expected grades for admission
- Application processes
- Scholarships

You need SIX Grade 12 4U
or 4M courses for
University admission

ENG4U1 will be a required
course

Research admission
requirements for
programs of interest now!



PROGRAMS

WHAT INTERESTS YOU?

UNIVERSITIES

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

FINANCE

FEES & SCHOLARSHIPS

APPLICATIONS

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



Browse by Category

Agriculture, Food, Forestry, Resource Management, Vet Sciences

46 programs in the following areas:

Others in Veterinary Sciences, Agriculture & Related Subjects | Veterinary Medicine | Forestry & Arboriculture | Food & Beverage Studies | Agriculture Sciences | Animal Science | Agriculture

Find a Program

☐ Show Advanced Search Options

SEARCH ALL PROGRAMS

TOP

**PROGRAMS**

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Overview

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Program Summary

University	McMaster University
Degree	Bachelor of Science in Nursing, BScN
OUAC Program Code	MN
Grade Range	Admission is by selection. A minimum of 85% is required for consideration.
Experiential Learning	Clinical placement
Enrollment	150 150 per site
Instruction Language	English
Notes	McMaster's Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program is available at McMaster University and Mohawk College. OUAC Code: MNM (Mohawk College) Spaces for each applicant group varies from site to site, which may result in fluctuations in the cut-off ranges used for admission. We advise you to contact each institution directly to determine your eligibility for admission and to maximize your chances for admission to our collaborative Nursing program.

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SEARCH ALL PROGRAMS

Browse Programs

Browse All Programs

Browse by Category

Browse by University

Show My Comparisons

Discover Other Options

Collaborative University and College Programs

Programs Requiring Prior University Study

Ontario Postsecondary Transfer Guide (ON Transfer)

Nursing I (at McMaster)

McMaster University

✓ Compare

Overview

Requirements



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Prerequisites

- ENG4U
- 1 of MHF4U, MCV4U, MDM4U
- SBI4U
- SCH4U

IB and AP Requirements

- [IB Admission Information](#) 
- [AP Admission Information](#) 

Additional Admission Criteria

Both academic and personal qualities are assessed in the selection process by means of your high school admission average and Computer-based Assessment for Sampling Personal Characteristics (Casper).


Find a Program


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Researching College Programs

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- Pathways to Diplomas, Degrees and Apprenticeships

You need to have earned
your OSSD

Grade 12 English mark is
critical

Programs will have
specific requirements –
know what courses you
need to be considered!

APPLY NOW

Already have an account? [Log in.](#)

AVAILABLE NOW – Programs starting August 2024 - July 2025

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ACCEPT

Credential ▾

Language of Instruction ▾

Program Availability ▾

Program Level ▾

Program Type ▾

Program Delivery ▾

Highly Competitive ▾

Powerline Technician (PLTN) ▾

Cambrian | Campus: Barrydowne (Sudbury) | Full Time | Sep 2024 | ● Open | [Website](#) 🔗

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Powerline Technician (Optional Co-op) (0736) ▾

Conestoga | Campus: Ingersoll Skills Training Centre | Full Time | Sep 2024 | ● Closed | [Website](#) 🔗

Powerline Technician - Chatham (K766) ▾

St. Clair | Campus: Chatham Campus | Full Time | Sep 2024 | ● Waitlisted | [Website](#) 🔗

Electrical Engineering Technician (ELN2) ▾

Fanshawe | Campus: London | Full Time | Sep 2024 | ● Open | [Website](#) 🔗



Powerline Technician (Optional Co-op)

SELECT START DATE AND CAMPUS

SEP 2024 | INGERSOLL



Program description

Admissions

Courses

Careers

More info

APPLY NOW

TOUR CONESTOGA

Admissions - September 2024

Admission requirements

*** Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD), or equivalent, OR 19 years of age or older.*

- Grade 12 compulsory English, C or U, or equivalent, OR Conestoga College Preparatory Communications (COMM1251), or equivalent
- Grade 12 Mathematics, C or U, or equivalent, OR Conestoga College Preparatory Mathematics (MATH1420).
- For more information on preparatory programs, visit [Academic Upgrading](#)

Canadian admissions contact

✉ admissions@conestogac.on.ca

Apprenticeship

What is an apprenticeship?

- Learn a skilled trade on the job.
- Work with and learn from experienced workers – and get paid while you do it.
- You also learn in a classroom from instructors who know the skilled trade. This may take place in high school, on a college campus or a union training centre.
- Canada has a large demand for workers in the skilled trades and technologies. There are 144 skilled trades in Ontario!

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Comparing Pathways to Apprenticeship

Direct Entry to Apprenticeship

As an apprentice, you learn a skilled trade on the job in combination with class training

VS


Pre-Apprenticeship College Program

The college courses may be 1 or 2 year programs. The courses are designed to deliver the skills enabling persons enter a skilled trade.

VS

Apprenticeships are completed in 3-5 years

After completing a college program, the students begin the apprenticeship process.



Apprenticeships: How to get started

- Take courses in Technologies (or other areas leading to your chosen skilled trade) to develop skills that apply to skilled trades
- Take co-op courses to test out career pathways, gain real-world experience and form relationships with potential employers
- Leverage co-op experience and relationships to explore an apprenticeship opportunity OR apply to a college program where you will develop skills and be connected with an employer

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OYAP - Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program

- Allows students to earn high school credits while participating in apprenticeship training in a skilled trade
- Full day co-op placement
- Semester 2 Accelerated OYAP opportunities available - see your Guidance counsellor if interested
- Signed apprentice = Paid employment + 4 credits + apprenticeship hours earned towards certification

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PROGRAM	LOCATION	Applications Due	Format	START DATE	END DATE
Automotive Service Technician (AST) (Level 1)	Mohawk College (Fennel Campus)	Friday, November 29	Monday to Friday 8 Weeks	April 2025	June 2025
Electrician (Level 1)	Mohawk College (Stoney Creek Campus)	Friday, November 29	Monday to Friday 8 Weeks	April 2025	June 2025
Plumber (Level 1)	Mohawk College (Stoney Creek Campus)	Friday, November 29	Monday to Friday 8 Weeks	April 2025	June 2025
Construction Craft Worker (CCW) (Level 1)	LIUNA Local 837 LIUNA Training Centre 260 Hunter Rd. Grimsby	Friday, November 29	Monday to Friday 8 Weeks (no training during March Break)	February 2025	May 2025
Welder (Level 1)	Mohawk College (Stoney Creek Campus)	Friday, November 29	Monday to Friday 10 Weeks	April 2025	June 2025
General Carpenter (Level 1)	Mohawk College (Stoney Creek Campus)	Friday, November 29	Monday to Friday 8 Weeks	April 2025	June 2025
Truck & Coach Technician (Level 1)	Mohawk College (Stoney Creek Campus)	Friday, November 29	Monday to Friday 8 Weeks	April 2025	June 2025

Note: Students must provide their own transportation to and from these programs.

Note: All assigned dates and locations are tentative!

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Co-op at Westdale

COO3OE

Two-Credit Co-op
Full Morning OR Afternoon in
Semester 1 or Semester 2

COOFT1

Full Day Co-op In
Semester 1

COOFT2

Full Day Co-op In
Semester 2

Special Central Placement opportunities at HHS, Cable 14, Hamilton Police Services, Crown Attorney, Art Gallery of Hamilton and more!

Check out System Co-op programs – Building Construction Careers, Militia, Healthcare Support and ARTSMART

Grade 12 Arts Courses – Visual Arts

Course	Course Code
Media Arts	ASM4M1
Visual Arts	AVI4M1
Visual Arts - Illustration	AWK4M1
Visual Arts - History	AWU4M1
Visual Arts - Painting	AWM4M1
Visual Arts – Applied Design (Portfolio)	AWD4M1

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Grade 12 Arts Courses - Drama and Music

Course	Course Code
Drama	ADA4M1
Drama – Musical Theatre	ADB4M1
Music - Instrumental	AMU4M1
Music – Repertoire Band	AMR4M1

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AMR – Repertoire Course outside the school day

If you would like
AMR4M1, please
select this course as
an **“Extra Credit”** at
the bottom of your
course selections

**Repertoire will run
outside the school
day.**

**You must also take
AMU4M in school.**

Grade 12 Business and Humanities

Course	Course Code
International Business	BBB4M1
Interdisciplinary Studies: Building Financial Securities	IDC4U1

Course	Course Code
Nutrition and Health	HFA4U1/HFA4C1
The World of Fashion	HNB4M1
Challenge and Change in Society	HSB4U1
World Cultures	HSC4M1
Personal Life Management	HIP4O1
Food and Healthy Living	HFL4E1

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Grade 12 Canadian and World Studies

Course	Course Code
World Issues – A Geographic Analysis	CGW4U1 / CGW4C1
Canadian and International Law	CLN4U1
Adventures in History	CHM4E1
World History Since the 15th Century	CHY4U1 / CHY4C1
Economics	CIA4U1
Contemporary Indigenous Issues and Perspectives	NDW4M1

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Grade 12 English Options

Course	Course Code(s)
Grade 12 English – Workplace Preparation	ENG4E1
Grade 12 English – College Preparation	ENG4C1
Grade 12 English – University Preparation	ENG4U1
Studies in Literature	ETS4U1/ETS4C1
Writer's Craft	EW4U1/EWC4C1
Ontario Literacy Course	OLC4O1

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Grade 12 French Immersion and Modern Languages Options

Course	Course Codes
Grade 12 Fraincais (French Immersion)	FIF4U1I/FIF4O1I
Grade 12 Healthy Active Living (French Immersion)	PPL4O1I
Grade 12 Core French	FSF4U1

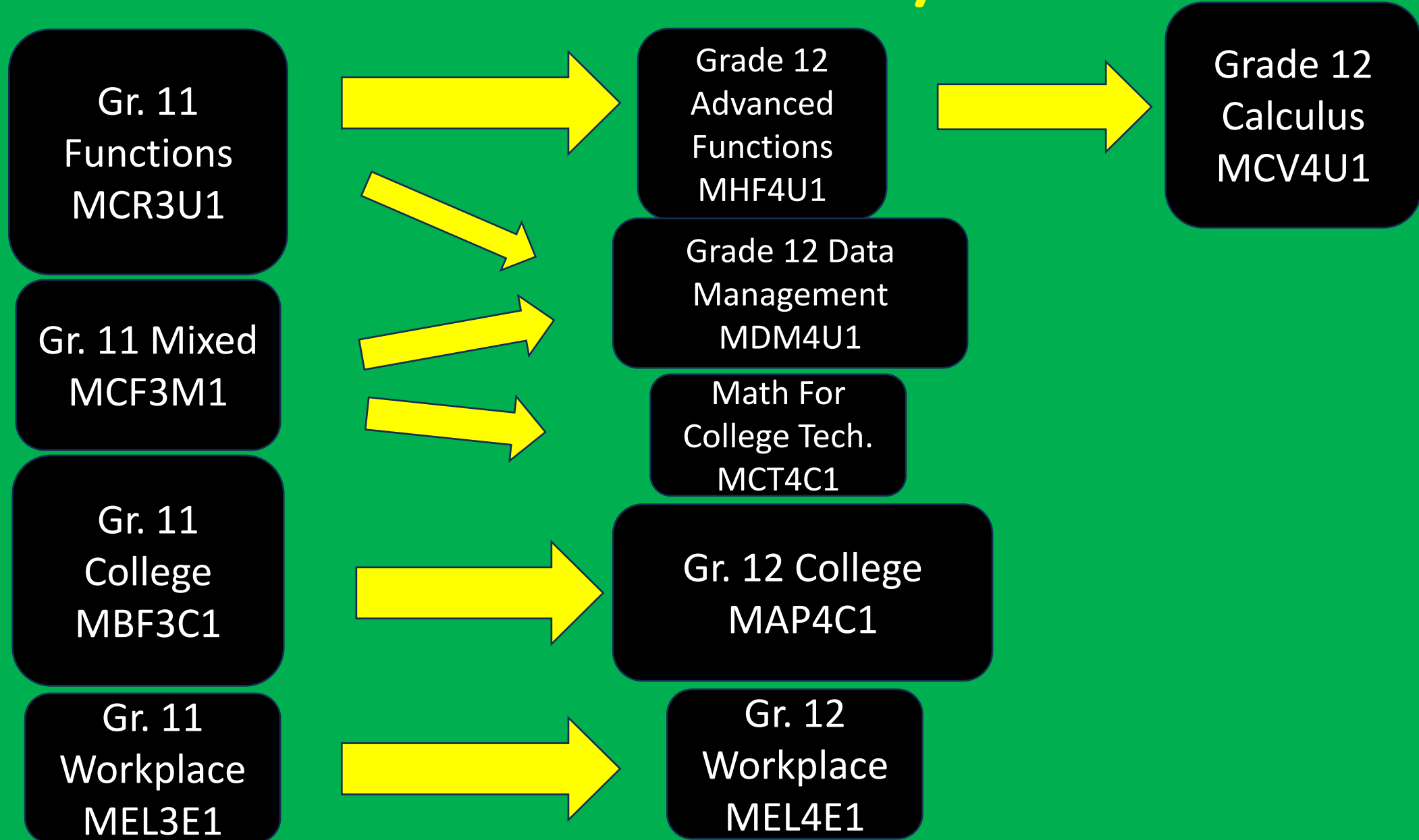
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Grade 12 Mathematics

Course	Course Code
Mathematics for Work and Everyday Life	MEL4E1
Foundations for College Mathematics	MAP4C1
Mathematics for College Technology	MCT4C1
Mathematics for Data Management	MDM4U1
Advanced Functions	MHF4U1
Calculus and Vectors	MCV4U1

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Math Pathways



Grade 12 Physical Education

Course	Course Code
Healthy Active Living Education	PPL4O1F/PPL4O1M
Personal Fitness Activities	PAF4O1/PAF4O1F
Volleyball	PAL4O1V
Basketball	PAI4O1B
Soccer	PAL4O1S
Leisure and Mindfulness Activities	PAR4O1
Recreation and Leadership	PLF4M1
Introduction to Kinesiology	PSK4U1

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Grade 12 Science

Course	Course Code
Biology	SBI4U1
Chemistry – College Preparation	SCH4C1
Chemistry – University Preparation	SCH4U1
Physics – College Preparation	SPH4C1
Physics – University Preparation	SPH4U1

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Grade 12 Technologies

Course	Course Code
Computer Engineering Technology	TEJ4M1/TEJ4E1
Construction Engineering Technology	TCJ4C1
Construction Technology (Home Repair)	TCJ4E2 (2 credits)
Custom Woodworking	TWJ4E1
Technological Design	TDJ4M1
Transportation Technology	TTJ4C1
Healthcare Support Services	TPJ4M1

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What do I need to do to achieve SHSM?

- ✓ **FOUR Major Credits (at least one Gr. 11 and one Gr. 12)**
- ✓ **ONE Additional Credit as determined by SHSM**
- ✓ **Grade 12 English**
- ✓ **Some SHSM require Grade 12 math – check with Guidance or SHSM teacher**
- ✓ **Certifications – organized by SHSM teacher**
- ✓ **Reach-ahead experience**
- ✓ **Experiential learning**
- ✓ **TWO credits of co-op. Your placement must be related to your SHSM sector**

ELEARNING

- Courses ending in “eL” e.g. ENG3U1eL**
 - Ensure your independent work skills are stellar**
 - Lessons are posted for you to read / view... you do them and submit**
 - Some options that are not available at Westdale**
 - eLearning options will be communicated soon.**
- Options available on myBlueprint, Westdale Guidance Hub course, and on Student Services section of Westdale Website**

Dual Credits

- The HWDSB has a partnership with Mohawk College where students can earn credits that count toward their high school OSSD and college. Many of these programs are offered at the Mohawk campus or elsewhere in the community.

Here is a sample of Dual Credit program:

- Positive Psychology & Movies, Identity and Culture
- Community Services – Intro to Social Work & Rec Therapy
- Developmental Psychology & Health and Wellness
- Computer Technology – HTML and CSS & Hardware/Software
- Graphic Design
- Aviation (located at Hamilton Airport)
- Welding (located at Stoney Creek campus)

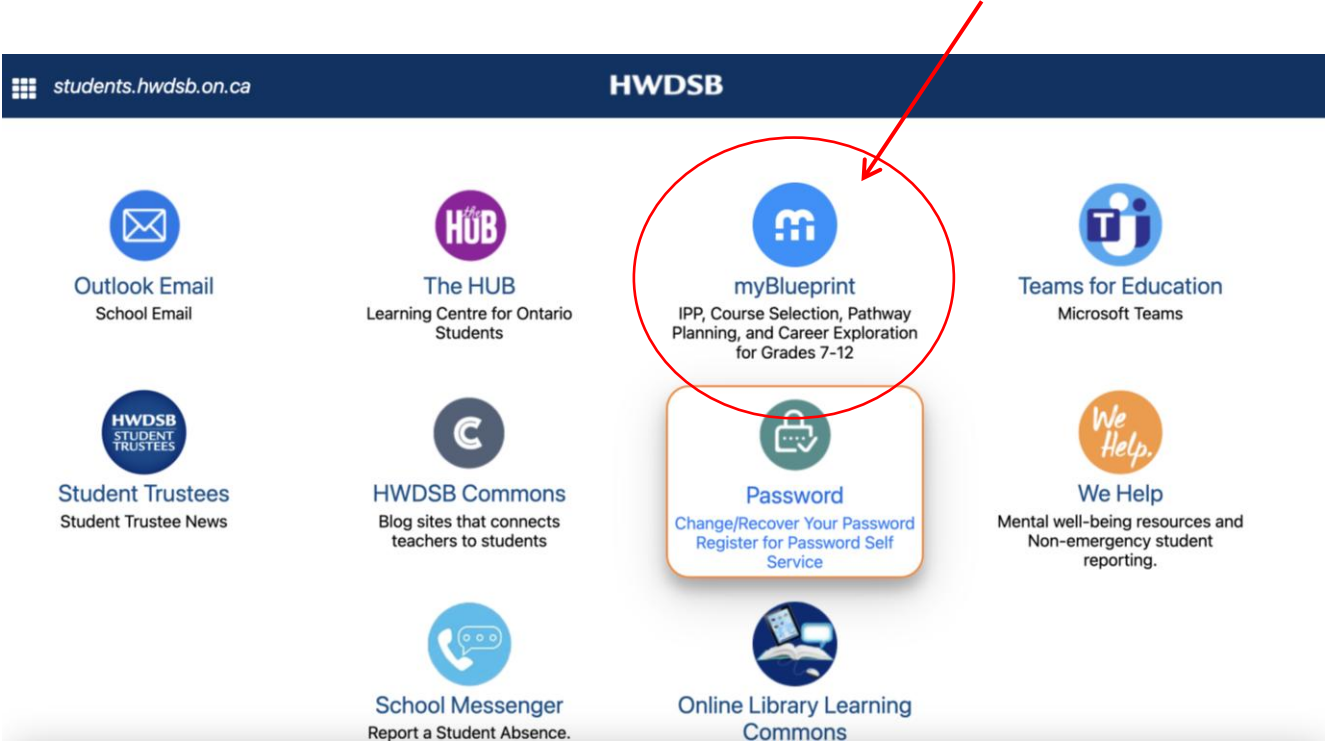
HOW & WHERE DO YOU SELECT YOUR COURSES?



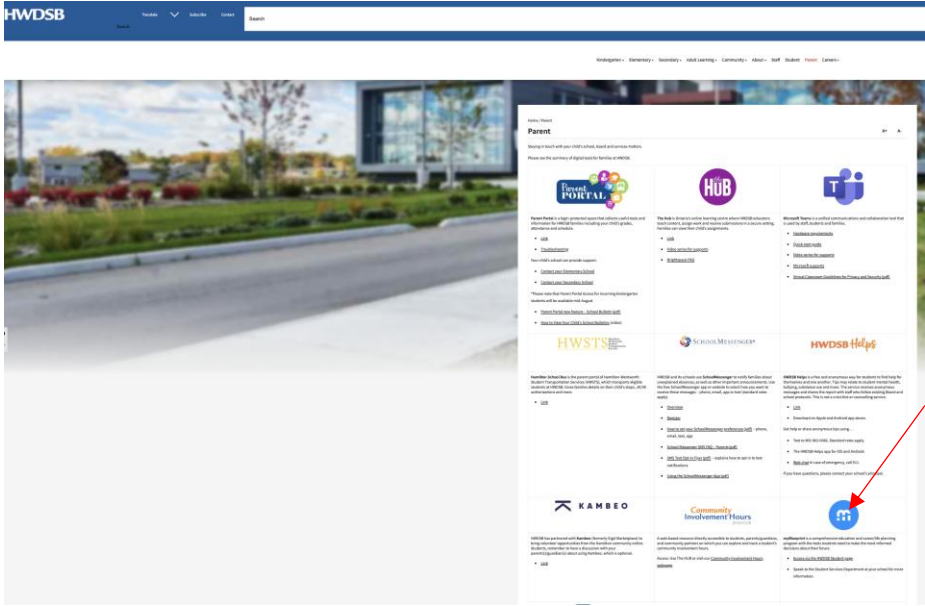
- HWDSB's NEW platform for Individual Pathway Planning
 - Students in Grades 7-12 have access via the Office 365 landing page
 - Students will learn about themselves, set goals, build portfolios, course selection, plan for high school and beyond
 - Course selections will be open in myBlueprint from **Wednesday February 5th - Friday February 21st, 2025**
- <https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/secondary/plan-for-high-school/myblueprint/>
 - www.myBlueprint.ca/HWDSB
 - <https://education.myblueprint.ca/hwdsb-family>

How to access to myBlueprint

How Students access



Parent Portal



<https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/parent/>

HOW TO ACCESS YOUR COURSE SELECTION

Home

[Dashboard](#) [Tasks](#) [Class Activities](#) [Goals](#) [Portfolios](#)

Complete your IPP Tasks

2 of 8 Completed

Individual Pathways Plan (IPP) Tasks help you plan your education and career while earning points for prize draws.

[View All Tasks](#) [Show Prizes](#)

High School • Plan

Plan Courses for Grade 10

←

→

100 points

High School Progress

Westdale Secondary School

30 credits until graduation

Course Selection is now open!

Not Submitted

Not returning next year?

Plan Courses



CLICK HERE

COURSE SELECTION PAGE



- Home
- Who Am I
- High School
- Continuing Education
- Post-Secondary
- Work
- Money
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- Favourites

Grade 9 Completed	Grade 10 Completed	Grade 11 Completed	Grade 12 Current Year
Grade 9 English ENL1W1 • 1 Credit	Grade 10 English ENG2D1 • 1 Credit	Grade 11 English (Unive...) ENG3U1 • 1 Credit	+ English
Grade 9 Mathematics MTH1W1 • 1 Credit	Grade 10 Principles of ... MPM2D1 • 1 Credit	Grade 11 Functions (Un...) MCR3U1 • 1 Credit	+ Course
Grade 9 Science SNC1W1 • 1 Credit	Grade 10 Science SNC2D1 • 1 Credit	Grade 11 Biology (Univ...) SBI3U1 • 1 Credit	+ Course
Grade 9 Exploring Can... CGC1W1 • 1 Credit	Grade 10 Canadian Hist... CHC2D1 • 1 Credit	Grade 11 Introduction t... HSP3U1 • 1 Credit	+ Course
Grade 9 Core French FSF1D1 • 1 Credit	Civics/Careers (English) CHVGLC • 1 Credit	Healthy Living and Pers... PAF3O1 • 1 Credit	+ Course
Grade 9 Healthy Active ... PPL1O1 • 1 Credit	Healthy Living and Indi... PAI2O1B • 1 Credit	Grade 11 Construction ... TCJ3E2 • 2 Credits	+ Course
Grade 9 Drama ADA1O1 • 1 Credit	Grade 10 Construction ... TCJ2O1 • 1 Credit		+ Course
Grade 9 Technology an... TAS1O1 • 1 Credit	Grade 10 Drama ADA2O1 • 1 Credit	Grade 11 World History... CHW3M1 • 1 Credit	+ Course

24
Planned

0
Earned

24
Total

View Progress

Pathway Eligibility




Add more course(s) to unlock
Post-Secondary Eligibility

Refresh Eligibility

MyBlueprint Pathway Eligibility

Pathway Eligibility

Last Updated
Dec 15, 2024, 4:17 p.m.

 [Refresh Eligibility](#)


Apprenticeship	162
College	5226
University	4168
Workplace	197

[Learn More](#)

As you add courses in your planner, myBlueprint will search college and university programs that you are eligible for

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Pathway Eligibility Filters


 Filters

University X

High School X

English X

Ontario X

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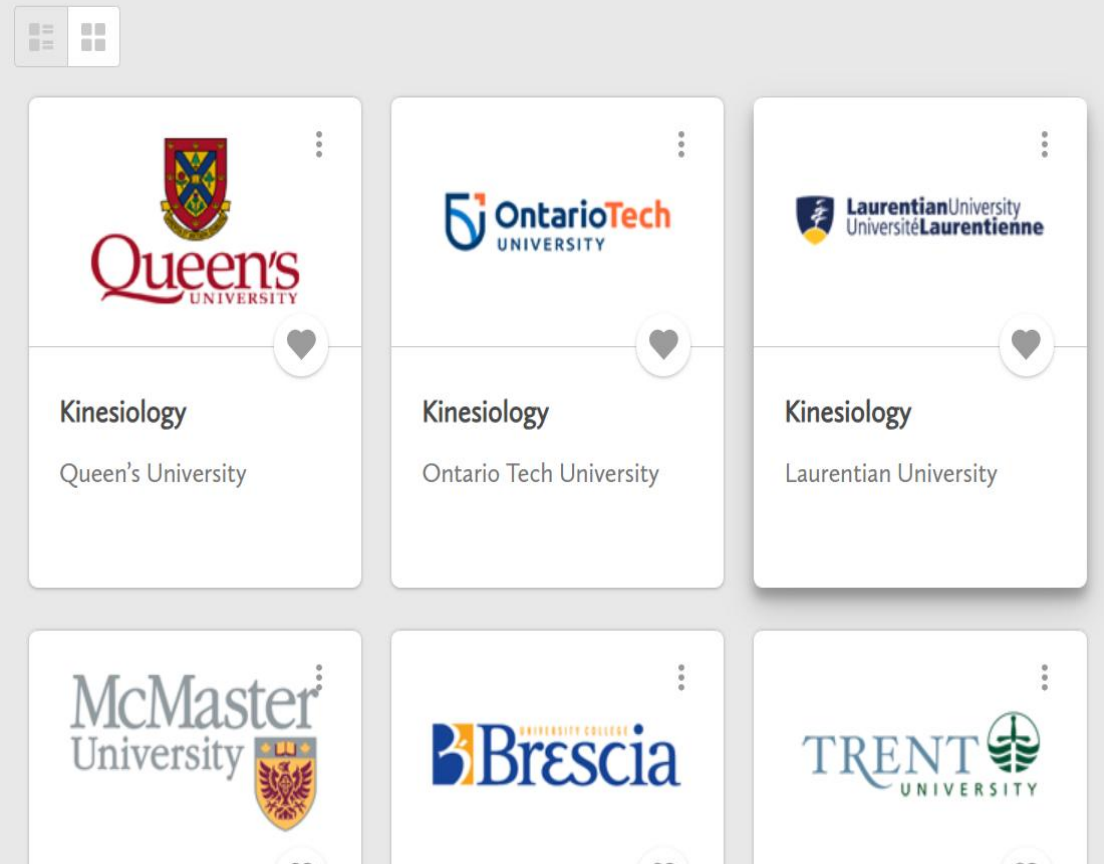
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High School Plan	Category	Province	City	Institution	Pathway	Requirement
	Agriculture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ontario	Alfred	Algoma Univers...	College	High School
Westdale ...	Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Alberta	Ancaster	Algonquin Colle...	University	Post-Secon...
	Business	<input type="checkbox"/> British C...	Barrie	Anishinabek Ed...		Academic U...
	Constructi...	<input type="checkbox"/> Manitoba	Belleville	Brescia Universi...		
	Science	<input type="checkbox"/> Newfou...	Bracebri...	Brock University		Language
		<input type="checkbox"/> New Bru...	Brampton	Cambrian Colle...		English
						French
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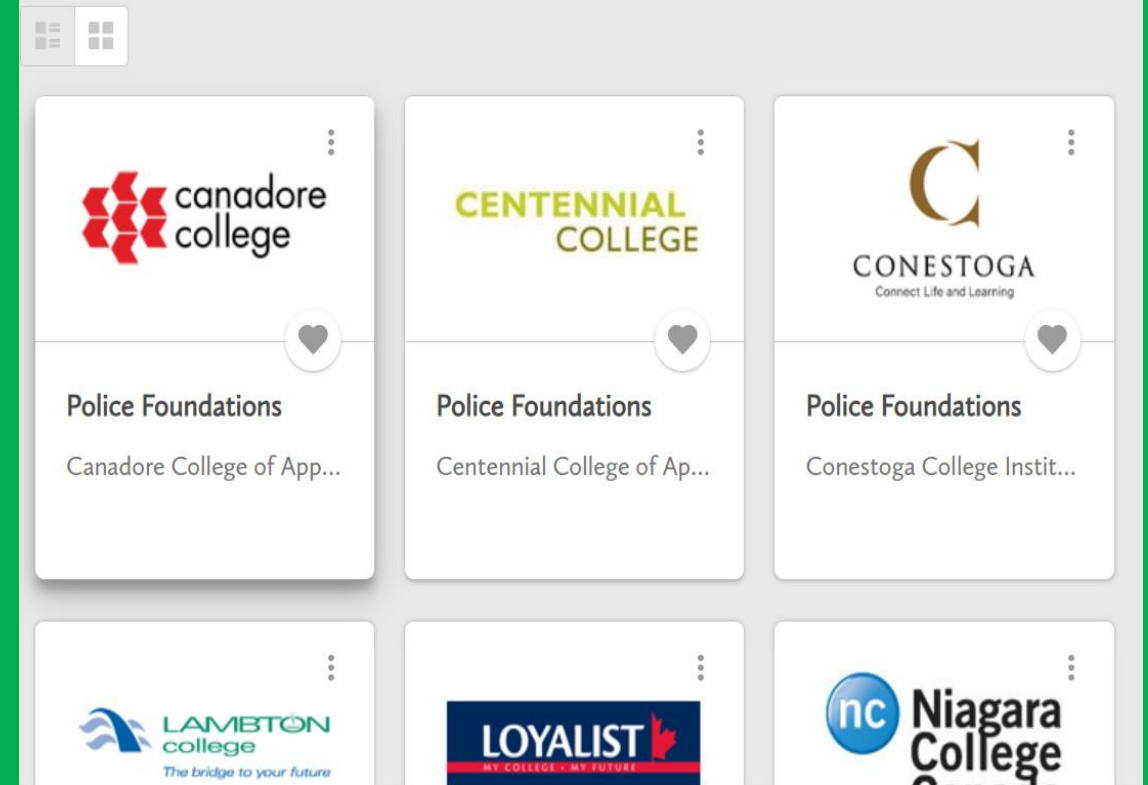
Use filters to bring the number of programs down to a manageable number

Two Searches: Kinesiology and Police Foundations

37 results found for kinesiology (5 filters used)



45 results found for police foundations (5 filters used)



Program Requirements

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Kinesiology
McMaster University

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Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD)



Grade 12 English (ENG4U)



Grade 12 Biology (SBI4U)



Grade 12 Calculus and Vectors (MCV4U)



Three additional Grade 12 university-level or university/college-level courses



Minimum Average

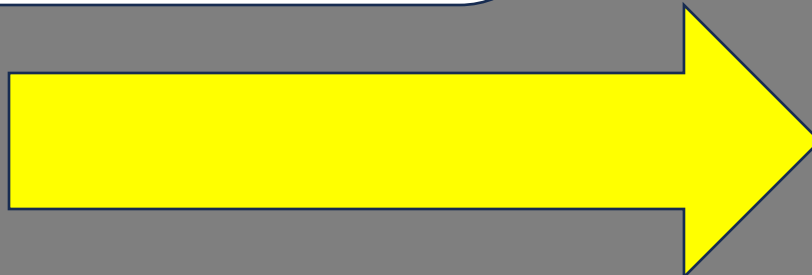
High 80s to Low
90s



Please carefully review all admission requirements and visit the program website directly to confirm they are consistent with the requirements listed here.

“Add Alternate” Course

Please pick a back-up
optional course in
case one of the
courses you would
like is cancelled or
conflicted out of
your schedule



Grade 10 Next Year	
Grade 10 English ENG2D1 • 1 Credit	⋮
Grade 10 Principles of Mat... MPM2D1 • 1 Credit	⋮
Grade 10 Science SNC2D1 • 1 Credit	⋮
Grade 10 Canadian Histor... CHC2D1 • 1 Credit	⋮
Civics/Careers (English) CHVGLC • 1 Credit	⋮
Healthy Living and Person... PAF2O1F • 1 Credit	⋮
Grade 10 Health Care TPJ2O1 • 1 Credit	⋮
Grade 10 Food and Nutriti... HFN2O1 • 1 Credit	⋮
Alternates	
⊕ Alternate	

Summer School 2025

If you know NOW that you are going to take a course in the summer, you can register for the course in myBlueprint. Stay tuned for information. You can plan for this in your course planner when choosing courses.

The Summer School Option Sheet will be posted in the Guidance course in the Hub and on the Westdale Website when available.

Next Steps:

- Research pathway options and course descriptions
- Work together with your family to explore choices and complete options
- Contact your Guidance counsellor if your choices require an override in myBlueprint
- Submit your course selections in myBlueprint by February 21, 2025
- Family approves course selections through Parent Portal the first week of March
- Questions? Book an appointment with your Guidance counsellor through the Guidance Hub course

Who is my Counsellor?

<u>Counselor</u>	<u>Alpha by Last Name</u>	<u>Email</u>
Ms. Quaglia	A – B, X – Z,	cquaglia@hwdsb.on.ca
Mrs. Parkes-Hallmark	C - G + IB students	kiparkes@hwdsb.on.ca
Mr. Meyer	H – N	dmeyer@hwdsb.on.ca
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