

Applying to University



University Application Process - Step 1 is Research

Applying to University is an exciting step in achieving your future goals. It is also a process that requires you to spend some time thinking and planning so that you make good decisions about the program and the school you choose to go to. Think about applying to University as a research project, be thorough, ask questions, keep notes, visit campuses and have fun!

➤ **First step:** to begin your **research** visit the online guide at:
ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca

- Here you will find a searchable, online guide to Ontario universities for high school students
- Provides information about Ontario's universities, programs admission requirements as well as direct links to the individual institutions and program websites
- Designed to facilitate the process of selecting universities and programs of study
- Information is updated regularly and is available 24 hours a day, making it an invaluable tool for postsecondary research and planning

➤ **How to Apply:** the next step is to **apply** by visiting: **Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC) - www.ouac.on.ca**

You will need to have the following information in order to complete the step-by step application process through OUAC:

- Your OUAC access codes (your school number, your student number and your personal identification number - PIN), which will be given to you by Guidance in late November
- Personal data including name, address, date of birth, telephone number
- Valid email address that you check daily
- Social Insurance Number (SIN) you may still apply without a SIN, but you must give the university one if you wish to get an income tax credit for your university tuition
- Status in Canada (Canadian Citizen, Permanent Resident/Landed Immigrant, Student Authorization/Visa Student, Other) if you were not born in Canada, you will need to know the year and the month that you arrived in Canada
- Method of payment (online banking, online credit card, certified cheque or money order, credit card by phone or a mail-in credit card form)
- Your university and program choices (The basic fee of \$150 pays for 3 choices - you can pay an additional \$50 fee for each extra program choice)

➤ **Important Dates:**

- Sept/Oct. 2019 - Attend a University Information Program (UIP) to speak with Admission Reps from all Ontario Universities - Regional UIP to be held at CCI on Oct. 9th 12:30 - 2:00 in the Gym
- Nov. 2019 - Near the end of the month you will get your OUAC application PIN number from Guidance and then you can apply to schools
- Jan 15, 2020 - Deadline to submit your application to the OUAC (Note: the OUAC still processes applications received after this date and distributes them to the universities; however, specific university deadlines will apply)
- The initial application includes all final grades from completed Grade 11 and 12 courses and a list of all current-year courses in progress
- Jan - May - Universities will send out rolling offers of admission, be aware of any conditions that may apply. If you have any questions, contact the university directly
- May 27, 2020 - The latest date all high school applicants can expect a response from an Ontario University. This includes an offer of admission; an alternate program offer, a refusal; or a deferral, once additional information is received
- June 1, 2020 - The earliest date an Ontario high school student may be required to respond to an Ontario University offer of admission and give a financial commitment (e.g., registration deposit, residence deposit, etc)

*** Please see www.ouac.on.ca/guide/101-dates/ for more details about important dates ***