

POST SECONDARY PLANNING



Personal Reflection:

- Make lists of your strengths, interests and personal qualities.
- Create a list of programs/careers you may want to pursue in College, University, in an Apprenticeship or the Workplace.

Summary of Student Achievement Sheet:

- Make sure that your current courses are the prerequisites that you will need for your post-secondary programs/plans.
- Do you have all of the courses that you need to complete your Specialist High Skills Major? Make a Student Services appointment to find out.

Research:

- Access the "Grade 12 Holy Cross CSS Student Services Information NCVLE" for Post-Secondary Information, Presentations and Scholarships
- Look at College and University websites and Viewbooks to gain more information about programs and campuses. List the features that interest you.
- Continue program research on myBlueprint, www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca, www.ontariocolleges.ca and www.ontransfer.ca
- Attend virtual College and University presentations and attend the Open Houses – you will be able to get a feel for the campus and programs.
- Check out what supports and services are available, the clubs and societies on campus, and places or groups beyond the classroom.
- Develop a list of schools that you are interested in and sign up for program information on their websites.
- Application Deadlines:

Ontario University Application Centre (OUAC) **January 12th, 2023** – Deadline for Ontario High School students to submit their completed applications to the OUAC. Payment also must be made by this deadline.

All applicants are reminded that they must maintain all academic requirements as stated in any post-secondary offer.

Ontario Colleges Application (OCAS) **February 1st, 2023** - Deadline to apply on or before this date in order to receive equal consideration for admission to programs starting the following fall. After this date, colleges consider applicants on a first-come, first-served basis until programs are full. Applicants are encouraged to complete their applications well before the Equal Consideration Date, as website volumes on the online application are at their highest at this time.

Note: that college applications to [Highly Competitive Programs](#) must be received by this date in order to be considered. As these programs receive a high volume of applicants, all seats may be filled by February 1.

Financial:

- Start looking into finances: How much will it cost you to go to school? How will you pay for school?
- **Ontario Colleges Application (OCAS) Fee:** \$110 for 5 choices
Note: You can choose up to 3 program choices at one school
www.ontariocolleges.ca
- **Ontario University Application Centre (OUAC) Fee:** TBD – the 2021-22 fees were \$150 for 3 choices and \$50 for each additional selection
www.ouac.on.ca
- Access the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP) website:
<https://www.ontario.ca/page/osap-ontario-student-assistance-program>
and use their estimator to see how much money you may be eligible to get as a loan.
- Access the Scholarship and Awards Chart to plan for scholarships you may want to apply for.
- Ask people who may write you a letter of reference for programs and scholarships; it is never a good idea to ask a referee for a last-minute letter

Potential U.S. Applicants:

- Use the website www.collegeboard.org for school and SAT information.
- Use the website www.commonapp.org for school and application information.
- Investigate potential costs of program and International fees if applicable.
- Correspond with your coaches and US schools that you are interested in attending.
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