



**Merivale High School
Post-Secondary Information
2024-2025**

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Merivale Grad - Where are you now?

Nine factors to consider when choosing a university



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Post Secondary Presentation

WHERE ARE YOU NOW?

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

HOW DO YOU GET THERE?



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Where are you now?

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS-Let's look at our Grad Summaries

- 30 credits (working towards)
18 compulsaries and 12 optional
- Literacy Test (fall and spring)
- 40 hours of community service-non profit
- 2 credits in elearning
[Elearning Opt-Out form link](#)



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Investigate Your Options

- Virtual and/or in person Campus Visits!
- [Book an appointment](#) with your Guidance teacher before Dec break.
- Participate in [Launch 2024](#) November 6
- Discuss OYAP options with Coop teacher
- Visit www.ouinfo.ca (University information)
- Visit ontariocolleges.ca (College information)
- Join the MHS Class of 2025 code: [ibvttxo](#)
- MHS student services website - [Post Secondary](#)



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Where are you going?

- Workplace? Apprenticeship?
- College? University?
- Work/travel? Part-time studies/work?
- Gap year to upgrade?
- Gap year program?



Consider your strengths/interests when deciding
Research your best options



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Workplace

- Co-op programs are a great way to gain experience and make contacts if you are planning to go to work directly after high school

See your guidance counsellor for tips on:

- resumes
- cover letters
- interview skills
- letters of reference



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Apprenticeship Programs

1. Research

Select a trade based on your own talents and interests.

Taking a Coop placement in a trade will help you decide.

2. Understand the Training and Educational Requirements

Most apprenticeships require Grade 12 Math and/or Grade 12 English.

Each apprentice is officially registered with Ontario Ministry of Training.



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Apprenticeship Programs

3. Find an Employer

Use your network of family and friends, distribute resumes, take a related coop placement, visit websites like *apprenticesearch.com*, *apprenticetrades.ca*

4. Train for 3 to 5 Years (with a licensed tradesperson)

90% paid on-the-job training, 10% at college (on your own)



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College or University

COLLEGE or UNIVERSITY

- When choosing an institution consider...visit campus - VIRTUAL or LIVE. When is the [Open House](#)?
 - Programs offered & their requirements
 - Size of school
 - Size of city
 - Campus location & layout
 - Distance from home
 - Residence availability & living arrangements
 - Costs



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College

- Certificate, diploma and degree programs
- Admission requirements - check specific programs (ENG4C/MAP4C/ SBI3C/SCH4C)
- Apply by Feb 1, 2025 \$150 application fee (5 programs / max 3 at any one college)
- ontariocolleges.ca
- Students will need to use their OEN and are encouraged to use an email address other than OCDSB



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College

COLLEGE

- Collaborative programs - College and University (university requirements; OUAC)
Example: BAsC (Bachelor of applied science) Kinesiology (University of Guelph) AND Diploma in Fitness and Health Promotion (Humber College)
- Bachelor's Degree (university requirements; OUAC)
Examples: Bachelor of Interior Design (BID)
Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN)
Bachelor of Event, Sport, and Entertainment Management
- *Articulation agreements* between Colleges and Universities can bridge between diploma and degree programs.
- [Algonquin College](#) Program Options



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College

Technology/Engineering/ Trades	Business	Health	Arts/Other
Architectural Technician Computer Engineering Computer Programing HVAC Technician	Marketing Accounting Business Administration	Pre-Nursing Dental Hygiene Paramedic Veterinarian Assistant	Youth Worker Early Childhood Paralegal Culinary Skills Broadcasting Police Foundations Animation Graphic Design
REQUIREMENTS - Depends on program			
ENG4C MAP4C MCT4C <i>for some programs</i>	ENG4C MAP4C	ENG4C MAP4C <i>or the equivalent</i> SBI3C SCH4C	ENG4C Portfolio <i>for some programs</i>



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College

BEST COLLEGE RESOURCE:



ontariocolleges.ca

(Research programs & apply on this website)



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How do you get there?

COLLEGE

- OCAS Online Application via ontariocolleges.ca
 - Applications open in early October (OEN required)
 - \$150 application fee - 5 program choices (no more than 3 at any one college)
- **November 1, 2024**- Earliest Offer Date
- **February 1, 2025** - Equal Consideration Date
 - *Note: applications for highly competitive program must be received by this date in order to be considered.*
- **May 1, 2025** - Deadline to Confirm Offers of Admission
- **June 2025** - Tuition Deposit Due at the Colleges



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College & University Partnerships

- Collaborative Programs in Ontario
- Articulation Agreements - Ontario Transfer Guide



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University

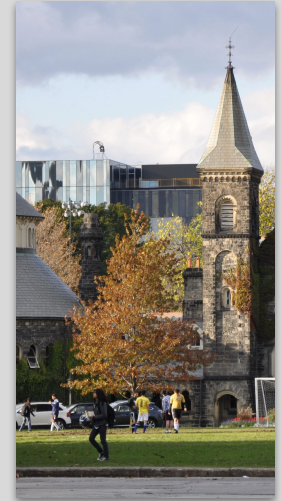
UNIVERSITY

- Enroll in a Bachelor's (Undergraduate) Degree

Examples: B.Sc., B.A., B.Comm.

Degree-3-4 years

- Admission Requirements:
 - OSSD, ENG4U
 - Six gr 12 U or M courses* (4U or 4M)
 - Apply by January 15th, 2025-\$156 application fee for 3 program choices (\$50 each additional choice)
 - Need OEN for application



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University

Engineering	Commerce	Science and Health	Arts/Other
Bioengineering Chemical Engineering Civil Engineering Computer Engineering Electrical Engineering Mechanical Engineering Software Engineering	Marketing Accounting Finance Entrepreneurship Management International Business	Astrophysics Biochemistry Biology Chemistry Environmental Science Health Science Neuroscience Physics	Art History English Film Studies French Studies History Museum Studies Political Science Psychology Sociology
Typical REQUIREMENTS - Depends on program <u>ALWAYS DOUBLE CHECK!</u> All programs need <u>6</u> Grade 12 U/M courses.			
ENG4U MHF4U MCV4U SPH4U SCH4U	ENG4U MHF4U MCV4U	ENG4U MHF4U MCV4U 2 Sciences (SBI4U; SPH4U; SCH4U)	ENG4U Portfolio <i>for some programs</i>

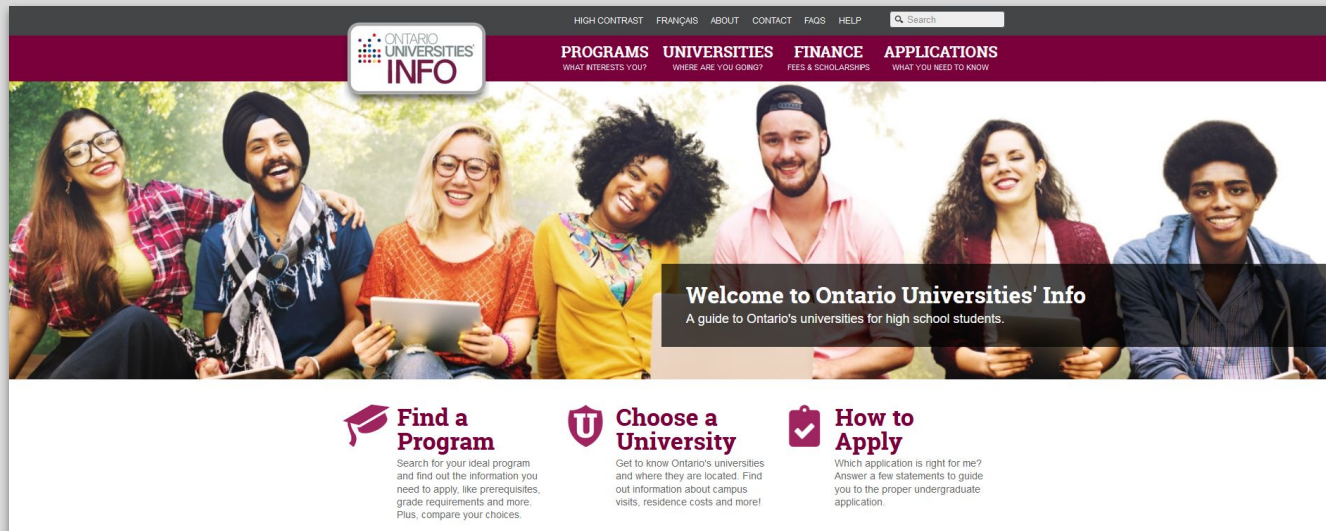


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University

BEST UNIVERSITY RESOURCES



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Ontario Universities' Info website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for HIGH CONTRAST, FRANÇAIS, ABOUT, CONTACT, FAQS, and HELP, along with a search bar. Below this is a purple header with the 'ONTARIO UNIVERSITIES INFO' logo and four main menu items: PROGRAMS (WHAT INTERESTS YOU?), UNIVERSITIES (WHERE ARE YOU GOING?), FINANCE (FEES & SCHOLARSHIPS), and APPLICATIONS (WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW). The main content area features a large image of a diverse group of seven young adults smiling. Overlaid on this image is a dark box with the text: 'Welcome to Ontario Universities' Info' and 'A guide to Ontario's universities for high school students.' Below the image are three service boxes: 'Find a Program' (with a graduation cap icon), 'Choose a University' (with a shield icon), and 'How to Apply' (with a checklist icon). Each box contains a brief description of the service.

www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca

(Research programs on this website)



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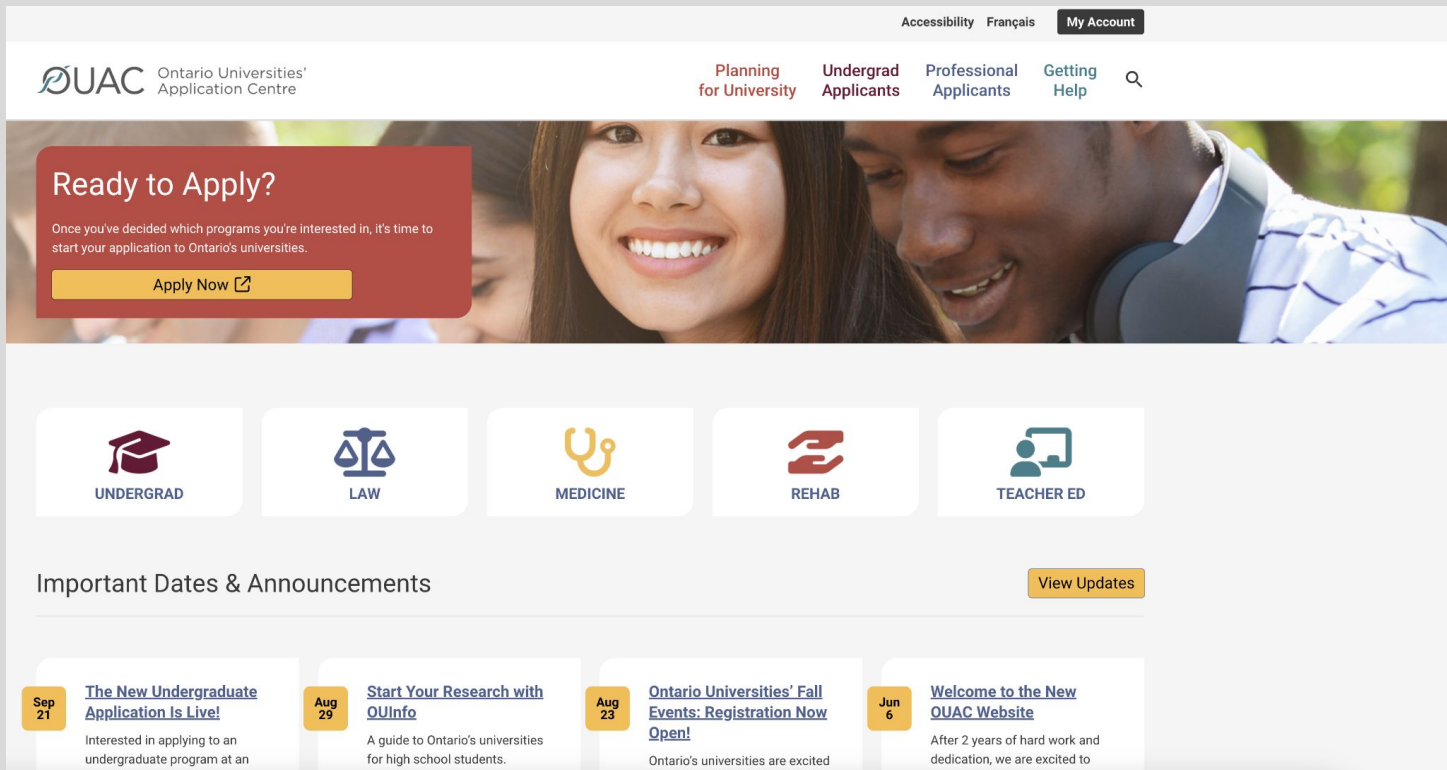
- Guidance Counsellor
- Merivale Student Services website
- CLASS of 2025 - GOOGLE CLASSROOM (*Class code* ibvttxo)
- [College & University Virtual Info Sessions Calendar](#)
- Campus Tours and Open Houses (LIVE & Virtual)
- [Ontario Job Trends](#)



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How do you get there?



Accessibility Français My Account

QUAC Ontario Universities' Application Centre

Planning for University Undergrad Applicants Professional Applicants Getting Help

Ready to Apply?

Once you've decided which programs you're interested in, it's time to start your application to Ontario's universities.

[Apply Now](#)

UNDERGRAD LAW MEDICINE REHAB TEACHER ED

Important Dates & Announcements [View Updates](#)

- Sep 21** [The New Undergraduate Application Is Live!](#)
Interested in applying to an undergraduate program at an
- Aug 29** [Start Your Research with OUInfo](#)
A guide to Ontario's universities for high school students.
- Aug 23** [Ontario Universities' Fall Events: Registration Now Open!](#)
Ontario's universities are excited
- Jun 6** [Welcome to the New QUAC Website](#)
After 2 years of hard work and dedication, we are excited to



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How do you get there?



The screenshot shows the 'My Undergraduate Hub' website. At the top left is a logo with three connected nodes and the text 'My Undergraduate Hub'. The main visual is a top-down view of a person's feet in red sneakers on a paved path with a yellow 'START HERE' painted on it. A blue button with white text 'Start Application' is centered over the path. At the bottom, a navigation bar contains five items: 'Help Links' (with a question mark icon), 'Contact Us' (with a speech bubble icon), 'Application Guide' (with a document icon), 'My Responsibilities' (with a checklist icon), and 'Privacy' (with a padlock icon).



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Additional Criteria

UNIVERSITY

- Most “Offers of Acceptance” will be based strictly on marks
- Additional criteria may be necessary for some programs
- Students must check carefully to see if additional criteria is required:
 - * Personal Statements of Experience
 - * Portfolios
 - * Auditions
 - * Additional Assessments – which may require a hired proctor
 - * Letters of Recommendation
 - * English language Assessment - students who have not completed at least 3 years of full-time study in a high school where English is the only language of instruction in a country where English is an official language. TOEFL and IELTS are two common Assessment tools. Check the university/college websites for more details.



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How do you get there?

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- Research school-specific admission requirements and information
 - Supplemental applications
 - Program choice rankings
 - Automatic alternate offers
 - Deferral process/options
 - Residence information
 - Financial support & scholarships



If problems arise, contact the school's Admissions or Registrar's Office



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How do you get there?

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- After applying through OUAC, each school provides access to their own **university portal**
- If a **supplementary application** is required, the university will provide information via the university portal.



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[University Admission Timeline Guide](#)

- Early admission offers - as early as the first week of December
 - Not all schools/programs make early offers - Don't worry if you don't receive one!
- First Round offers - after mid-term report upload on 20 February*
- Second Round offers - after 3rd quarter report upload on 1st May*
- Rolling admissions - All offers of admission are **conditional**

*Deadline for uploads - uploads may be reported to OUAC earlier.



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UNIVERSITY OUTSIDE OF ONTARIO

- Applications must be completed through *specific university website*
- OUAC reference # can be used by many universities
 - eg. McGill, UBC, Dalhousie
- If not, request transcripts through Guidance Secretary

- U.S. & International Schools
 - Interested students should contact Guidance ASAP
 - American applications via commonapp.org
 - Best **U.S. College** resource: educationusa.state.gov



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Preparing for the future

POST-SECONDARY EXPENSES

- Tuition fees = \$6,000 – \$20,000/year (+ books*)
- Residence fees = \$13,000 - \$17,000/year (+ meal plan*)
- Open discussion of your situation is important

Best **SCHOLARSHIP** Resources:

- [Merivale - Scholarship List](#)
- [ScholarshipCanada.com](#)
- [Yconic.com](#)
- Check university & college websites



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SCHOOL-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

UNIVERSITY

- Entrance scholarship consideration is automatic (grades of >80%)
- Merit-based scholarships include prerequisites in calculations
- Most schools reassess eligibility if your average changes
- Conditions of scholarships are school-specific

COLLEGE

- No entrance awards but many internal/external scholarship opportunities



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Preparing for the future

GRANTS & LOANS

OSAP

- osap.gov.on.ca
 - Needs-based program
 - Includes loans and grants
 - Students can opt to receive only grant portion
 - Applications open in the spring
 - [OSAP Estimator](#) useful for determining funding amounts



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STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

- Support for post-secondary students with exceptionalities differs greatly from high school.
- **IEPs are not enough** to access accommodations; current documentation (eg. psycho-ed assessment) - within the last 4 years is required.
- Research prospective school's **Support Services Office** and contact them to initiate the process upon acceptance of your offer.



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Merivale Post-Secondary Information Session

Parent Session - VIRTUAL

Tuesday, 15th October from 6:00pm-7:00pm



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