

GRADE 11 GUIDE

D'Arcy McGee High School



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Important Reminders

- Marks are important! Post-secondary schools will be making acceptance decisions based on grade 10 final marks, first term grade 11 marks, (and possibly term 2 grade 11 marks). If you are not passing all graduation requirements and program prerequisites at the time of application, you may not get accepted into your program.
- Remember that any course you take at the grade 10 or 11 level will show up on your official ministry transcript, a permanent document that you will need to submit when applying to programs and/or jobs.
- To be admitted to some programs, students must have completed specific courses (e.g. Sec 5 Chemistry and Physics). Check to see if your program of interest has prerequisite courses!
- If you are missing a grade 10 graduation requirement (History, Science, Math, or Arts elective), make sure you are aware of what you need to do to receive the credits in June.
- If you aren't sure what you want to do next year, start researching, speak to your parents/guardians, and make an appointment with your guidance counsellor. Application deadlines come up quickly!
- Check admission requirements when you are researching potential programs. Find out what courses you need in order to be accepted, and if there are other conditions such as cut-off averages, letters of intent, references, auditions, portfolios, and/or physical fitness testing.
- If you are applying to Cégep and you were born outside of Québec, you will need to provide a copy of your **birth certificate** as part of your online application. Check to see if you have a legible copy; if not, order a new one now so that you have it in time for the March 1st application deadline.
- Once online applications are available, submit your application ASAP. This will give you enough time to complete your file before the deadline. Incomplete applications are not sent to Cégeps or colleges for evaluation.
- Start planning your finances. Look up costs for tuition, books, and school fees in order to determine your budget. Part-time earnings from jobs, savings, and scholarships can help reduce the amount of student loans you may potentially need to borrow.
- Don't forget that if you do get a conditional acceptance for your program of choice, you still need to have met all of the admission requirements (e.g. prerequisite courses, cut-off averages, etc.) by the end of the school year.

Important Dates for Graduates

Listed below are many of the upcoming virtual events hosted by different colleges, universities, and vocational schools. You are encouraged to participate in these events to better prepare yourself to make post-secondary decisions.

College, University, or Vocational School	Date
John Abbott College	Postponed
John Abbott Paramedic Care Info and Video Online	Register for physical testing in February
John Abbott Police Technology Info and Video Online	Physical testing date is to be determined
Concordia University Virtual Open House	Saturday, October 21st, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Champlain Lennoxville CÉGEP Open House	Saturday, October 21 st , 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
McGill University Open House	Sunday, October 22 nd , 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Dawson College Open House	Sunday, October 22 nd 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Western Quebec Career Centre	Wednesday, October 25 th , 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
College, Uni and Trades Night at Philemon High School	Thursday, November 2 nd , 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
University of Ottawa Open House	Saturday, November 4 th , 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Carleton University Open House	Saturday, November 4 th , 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Algonquin College Open House	Saturday, November 4 th , 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Vanier College Virtual Open House	November 7 th to 13 th
Heritage Day: All grade 11s at D'Arcy can attend	Thursday, November 16 th , 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Université du Québec en Outaouais Open House	Saturday, November 18 th , 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Heritage College Open House	Sunday, January 28 th , 12 to 3 p.m.

Application Deadlines



Thursday, February 1st, 2024: Equal consideration date for Ontario Colleges (e.g. Algonquin).

- Visit www.ontariocolleges.ca for more detailed information.
- Applications are now open. Some students may receive early acceptance.

Friday, March 1st, 2024: Deadline for 1st round Cégep applications.

- Visit <https://www.sram.qc.ca/home> for more detailed information.
- Applications open in January 2024.

Other Important Dates

- Grad Photos: December 11th to 14th 2023.
- Admission answers from Cégeps (First round applications): April 2024.
- Cégep Round 2 application deadline: April 2024
- Cégep Round 3 application deadline: May 2024
- [Applications for Québec Loans and Bursaries](#): Opens in May.
 - apply **right away** as it can take 4-6 weeks to process.

Graduation Requirements

Graduation Requirements for a Québec Secondary School Diploma:

Students **MUST**:

- have a minimum of **54 credits** at the Sec. 4 and 5 level
 - have at least **20 credits at the Secondary 5 level**
 - pass the following courses listed below
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- Sec. 4 **Mathematics** (4 or 6 credits)
 - Sec. 4 **History of Québec and Canada** (4 credits)
 - Sec. 4 **Science and Technology** (6 credits)
 - Sec. 4 **Arts Education** (2 credits)
 - Sec. 5 **English** (6 credits)
 - Sec. 5 **French** (4 or 6 credits)
 - Sec. 5 **Ethics** (2 credits) or Sec. 5 **Physical Education** (2 credits)

Your Achievement Record (Transcript) will be mailed in July. Please see your guidance counsellor if you would like to do a credit check.



Cégeps

Cégeps in Québec Offer:

1. *Pre-university programs: Prepare students for undergraduate university studies (2 years)*
2. *Technical Programs: Geared towards the labour market, and can also lead to university programs (3 years)*
3. *Springboard/Exploration Programs: A program that allows you to take prerequisite courses.*

For detailed information on all Cégeps go to www.pygma.ca

Name	City	Website
Heritage College	Hull, QC	www.Cégep-heritage.qc.ca
Cégep de l'Outaouais (French)	Hull, QC	www.Cégepoutaouais.qc.ca
John Abbott College	St. Anne de Bellevue, QC	www.johnabbott.qc.ca
Champlain Regional College <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St-Lambert campus • Lennoxville campus • St-Lawrence campus 	St. Lambert QC Sherbrooke, QC Ste-Foy, QC	http://www.crc-sher.qc.ca/home/
Dawson College	Montreal, QC	www.dawsoncollege.qc.ca
Vanier College	Montreal, QC	www.vaniercollege.qc.ca
Marianopolis	Montreal, QC	www.marianopolis.edu
Cégep de la Gaspésie (English)	Gaspé, QC	http://www.cegepgim.ca/english-section

Cégeps: Where to Apply

Name	Website	Application
Heritage College	https://admission.sram.qc.ca/	SRAM
Cégep de l'Outaouais (French)	https://admission.sram.qc.ca/	SRAM
John Abbott College	https://admission.sram.qc.ca/	SRAM
Champlain Regional College (St-Lambert)	https://champlainsaintlambert.ca/admissions-information/	Non-SRAM
Champlain Regional College (Lennoxville)	https://admission.sram.qc.ca/	SRAM
Champlain Regional College (St-Lawrence)	http://www.slc.qc.ca/	Non-SRAM
Dawson College	https://www.dawsoncollege.qc.ca/admissions/how-to-apply/	Non-SRAM
Vanier College	https://admission.sram.qc.ca/	SRAM
Marianopolis	https://www.bemarianopolis.ca/admissions/updates/	Non-SRAM
Cégep de la Gaspésie (English sector)	https://www.sracq.qc.ca/	Non-SRAM

Deadline is MARCH 1st

You can apply to ONE Cégep and ONE program ONLY.

There will be 3 rounds of applications.

You can start applying in early January.

SRAM – SRAM is the regional application service for Heritage, John Abbott, Vanier, and Champlain Lennoxville, as well as many of the French Cégeps in Québec. Students applying to a SRAM affiliated college must use this online application.

www.sram.qc.ca You can apply to one SRAM Cégep and one non-SRAM Cégep!

Cégeps: How to Apply

The deadline for round 1 Cégep applications is **Friday, March 1st, 2024, 11:59 p.m.**

For Heritage, John Abbott, Vanier, Champlain Lennoxville and Cégep de l'Outaouais, you must apply online through SRAM. The application opens in mid-January, but you can do a [mock application](#) prior to this time.

Use this checklist as your guide:

- Apply online at: <https://admission.sram.qc.ca/>. You will need your Permanent Code (which can be found on your report card).
- Create an account with a valid email address (**do not** use your WQSB email).
- Remember, you are only allowed to select one Cégep and one program on this application.
- Make sure that you have all the prerequisites for the program to which you are applying. If you are missing a class that you need to be accepted to your program, you must register for the summer course before the March 1st Cégep application deadline. See your guidance counsellor for more information.

- You do not need to send in your report card or transcript unless you are taking an adult ed course.
- All students born outside of Québec must attach a scanned copy of their birth certificate to their application. Your guidance counsellor can do this for you; you must bring your birth certificate or email a copy to your guidance counsellor.

- The application fee is 30\$ (non-refundable) and can be paid online by Visa or MasterCard. A certified cheque or money order (made payable to SRAM) can also be mailed.
- Print and keep a copy of your final transmission receipt which has your file number on it. We also recommend taking a picture of your file number on your phone for quick reference.

- Admission decisions will be posted on SRAM in early April. There are 3 rounds of applications in case you do not get your first choice in round 1.

- The Round 2 deadline is in late April, and the Round 3 deadline is in late May. However, some programs will fill up in Round 1.

- If you receive a conditional acceptance, you must confirm your offer of admission by the required deadline. Failure to do so will result in you losing your spot. Read your letter of admission carefully and follow the instructions to create your account with the Cégep to confirm your acceptance.

- IMPORTANT:** Your application is only complete and will only be processed once SRAM has received payment and all the necessary documents. **Do not miss the March 1st deadline!**

Cégeps: Heritage College at a Glance

Heritage College offers:

- Pre-University programs (2 years) that prepare you for further university studies.
- Career programs (3 years) for immediate entry into the work force or further university studies.
- A Springboard program.

Both types of programs lead to a Diploma of College Studies (DEC).

All students take general education courses, common to all programs:

- 4 English courses
- 3 Humanities or Philosophy courses
- 3 Physical Education courses
- 2 French courses (second language)
- 2 complementary courses (chosen outside the student's field of studies)



Career Programs

Accounting & Management

Technology: This program provides you with a solid background in all business disciplines including accounting, marketing, human

resources, and computer applications. There is a co-op work term. Graduates typically work as accounting technicians, administrators, marketing representatives, financial analysts, etc. See page 4 in the [viewbook](#) for prerequisites and page 8 for further information.

Science: This program provides you with knowledge in programming, web programming, databases, systems, and technical information. There is a co-op work term. Graduates are well prepared for careers as programmers or analysts, web developers, quality assurance professionals, etc. See page 4 in the [viewbook](#) for prerequisites and page 10 for further information.

Early Childhood Care & Education: This program helps you acquire the competencies that will provide you with the essential skills to deliver overall quality childcare and education. There is a co-op work term. Graduates are qualified to work with children, from infancy to 12 years of age, in a variety of childcare settings and in elementary school classrooms, or graduates can go on to university. See page 4 in the [viewbook](#) for prerequisites and page 12 for further information.

Co-op

A co-op is an opportunity for you to work (and often get PAID) in the field and get practical real-life work experience. This really improves your chances at securing employment after graduation!

Electronics & Information Technology: This program helps you learn to design and build computer networks, tools and products, and prepares you to work in the high-tech sector or go to university. There is a co-op work term. Graduates can work in the government or business fields in areas such as computers, IT, telecommunications or manufacturing, working in design and development, production, testing, quality control, etc. See page 4 in the [viewbook](#) for prerequisites and page 14 for further information.

Graphic & Web Design: This program provides you with the technical, design and communication skills to create, write, and design web content, multimedia presentations and a variety of publications. There is a co-op work term. Graduates are employed by the government and private industry. See page 4 in the [viewbook](#) for prerequisites and page 16 for further information.

Hotel & Restaurant Management: This program equips you with management strategies and real-world job experience. Graduates are employment in hotel and property management, restaurant and catering management, convention and events management, etc. See page 4 in the [viewbook](#) for prerequisites and page 18 for further information.



Nursing: This program supports you in becoming competent in many complex nursing roles. The focus is on critical thinking while applying knowledge from nursing, biology, psychology, and sociology. There are clinical placements (practicums). Nursing graduates can write their licencing exam and when they pass, they are prepared to work in various fields as RNs in Québec or go to university to further their studies. See page 4 in the [viewbook](#) for prerequisites and page 20 for further information.

Special Education Techniques: This program prepares you to work in a variety of settings for persons who have physical, mental, emotional and/or behavioural needs. There is a co-op work term. Graduates work in a variety of settings, such as educational institutions, short- and long-term care facilities, hospitals, shelters, CLSCs, group homes, etc. See page 4 in the [viewbook](#) for prerequisites and page 22 for further information. You will need to submit a letter of intent and letters of reference if you are accepted to this program (it can be helpful to prepare these documents in advance).

Pre-University Programs

Liberal Arts: This program allows you to study literature, philosophy, history of science, classical and modern civilization, art and art history, film, religion, modern languages, ethics, and logic. Graduates from the Liberal Arts program are well prepared to succeed in university programs including, but not limited to, law, literature, history, philosophy and humanities, education, theatre, theology and religious studies, film and media studies, environmental studies, art history, communications, international development, journalism, political science, etc. See page 4 in the [viewbook](#) for prerequisites and page 26 for further information.

Science: This program provides you with a sound scientific background in Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Physics. The science program is designed for students who plan to pursue

university studies or a career in pure and applied science (e.g. agriculture, architecture, biology, chemistry, computer science, engineering, forestry, geology, mathematics, and physics) or health sciences (e.g. dentistry, dietetics, medicine, nursing, nutrition, optometry, pharmacy, physical education, physiotherapy, and veterinary medicine). See page 4 in the [viewbook](#) for prerequisites and page 28 for further information.

Social Science (with or without math): This program provides you with a background in Anthropology, Biology, Economics, Geography, History, Mathematics, Political Science, Psychology, and Sociology. Graduates of this program—with their developed research, writing and analytical skills—are well prepared to pursue university studies in the following fields: Journalism, Social Work, Environmental Studies, Law, Teaching and Urban Planning, etc. If you are interested in pursuing **Commerce/Business** at the university level you must choose the program '**Social Science with math**'. See page 4 in the [viewbook](#) for prerequisites and page 30 for further information.

Visual Arts: This program helps you to further develop your creative expression through courses using hands-on studio work in drawing, sculpture, painting, printmaking, photography, multimedia, graphic design, and video. Graduates from the Visual Arts program will have an art portfolio, as well as many opportunities to pursue further studies in fine arts, animation, computer art, photography, graphic design, fashion design, illustration, cartooning, museum curating, set and costume design, interior design, art education, etc. See page 4 in the [viewbook](#) for prerequisites and page 32 for further information.

Springboard Program

If you are still undecided and wish to explore further educational options OR if you are missing grade 11 prerequisites for a specific program you can apply to the Springboard program. In this program you will take high-school-level make-up courses, but these courses CANNOT be used as high school credits toward a Secondary School Diploma (DES), nor do they count as credits toward a Diploma of College Studies (DEC). See page 6 in the [viewbook](#) for further information.

For questions about admissions call Cégep Heritage College at 819-778-2270 ext. 1320 or visit the SRAM website at www.sram.qc.ca. All supporting documents (birth certificate, transcripts, diplomas, etc.) that are neither in English or French must be translated by a certified translator (bearing the translator's certificate number).

Cégeps: List of all English Cégep Programs and Links

[3D Animation and Computer - Generated Imagery](#)

[Accounting and Management Technology](#)

[Adventure tourism](#)

[Aerospace engineering](#)

[Aircraft Maintenance](#)

[Animal Health Technology](#)

[Aquaculture Techniques](#)

[Architectural Technology](#)

[Arts, Literature and Communication - First Nations](#)

[Arts, Literature and Communication and Music](#)

[Arts, Literature and Communication: Arts](#)

[Arts, Literature and Communication: Cinema](#)

[Arts, Literature and Communication: Languages](#)

[Arts, Literature and Communication: Literature](#)

[Arts, Literature and Communication: Media](#)

[Arts, Literature and Communication: Multidisciplinary](#)

[Arts, Literature and Communication: Theater](#)

[Avionics](#)

[Biomedical Laboratory Technology](#)

[Building Systems Technology](#)

[Business Management](#)

[Circus Arts](#)

[Civil Engineering Technology](#)

[Community Recreational Leadership Training](#)

[Computer Engineering Technology](#)

[Computer Science Technology](#)

[Computer Sciences and Mathematics](#)

[Dental Hygiene](#)

[Diagnostic Imaging](#)

[Early Childhood Education](#)

[Electronics: Computers and Networks](#)

[Electronics: Telecommunications](#)

[Engineering Physics Technology](#)

[Environmental and Wildlife Management](#)

[Farm Management and Technology](#)

[Fashion Design](#)

[Fashion Marketing](#)

[Financial services and insurance technology](#)

[Food Service and Restaurant Management](#)

[Forest Technology](#)

[Graphic Design](#)

[Hotel Management](#)

[Illustration](#)

[Industrial Design Techniques](#)

[Industrial Electronics](#)

[Industrial Maintenance Mechanics](#)

[Information and Library Technologies](#)

[Interior Design](#)

[Laboratory Technology: Analytical Chemistry](#)

[Liberal Arts](#)

[Mechanical Engineering Technology](#)

[Medical Records Management](#)

[Mineral Technology: Geology](#)

[Mineral Technology: Mineral processing](#)

[Mineral Technology: Mining](#)

[Music](#)

[Nursing](#)

[Nursing \(After a SSVD\)](#)

[Office System Technology: Micropublishing and Hypermedia](#)

[Office System Technology: Office Work Coordination](#)

[Paralegal Technology](#)

[Pharmaceutical Production Technology](#)

[Physiotherapy Technology](#)

[Police Technology](#)

[Pre-Hospital Emergency Care](#)

[Processing of Products of the Sea, Lakes and Rivers](#)

[Professional Photography](#)

[Professional Theatre: Acting](#)

[Professional Theatre: Production](#)

[Professional Music and Song Techniques](#)

[Radiation Oncology](#)

[Respiratory and Anesthesia Technology](#)

[Science](#)

[Science and Arts, Literature and Communication](#)

[Science and Music](#)

[Science and Social Science](#)

[Science in English and French](#)

[Sciences and Arts](#)

[Social Science](#)

Ontario Colleges

Students who graduate from Quebec can apply directly to Ontario College diploma programs after grade 11. Below is a list of all colleges in Ontario:

- Algonquin
- St. Lawrence
- Loyalist
- Centennial
- Confederation
- Fleming
- Humber
- Loyalist
- Niagara
- Sault
- Cambrian
- Collège Boréal
- Durham
- George Brown
- La Cité
- Michener Institute
- Northern
- Seneca
- St. Clair
- Canadore
- Conestoga
- Fanshawe
- Georgian
- Lambton
- Mohawk
- Ridgetown
- Sheridan

Online applications and college information can be found at www.ontariocolleges.ca

The equal consideration date is February 1st. Applicants can apply to a maximum of FIVE programs but not more than THREE at any one college

Ontario Colleges: Algonquin College at a Glance

If the prerequisite listed for an Ontario College is a grade 12 level course from Ontario, it is often considered equivalent to a grade 11 course in Quebec.

Check with your guidance counsellor to be sure!

Algonquin College is our local Ontario College, with three campuses located in Ottawa, Perth, and Pembroke. They offer over 250 programs (including diplomas, certificates, apprenticeships and bachelor degrees) in the following areas:

- [Computers & Technology](#)
- [Business](#)
- [Skilled Trades](#)
- [Health Science](#)
- [Community & Social Services](#)
- [Hospitality, Tourism & Wellness](#)
- [Recreation & Wellness](#)
- [Environmental Science](#)
- [Media & Communication](#)
- [Arts & Design](#)
- [Public Safety & Legal Studies](#)

Our Algonquin College representative is **Jon Holmes**, and you can contact him to set up a one-on-one meeting to ask questions about Algonquin College programs or the application process:

[Book an Appointment](#) or contact him by email holmesj1@algonquincollege.com or text 613-371-4903.

Lastly, you can create your own personalized viewbook, which will contain only the programs you want to learn about: [Algonquin Custom Viewbook](#).

Ontario Colleges: How to Apply

- Applications for Fall 2022 are now open. The deadline to apply for equal consideration at Algonquin and other Ontario colleges is **Thursday, February 1st, 2024.**

- After February 1st, students can check online to see if there is space in their program of choice and if so, they can apply. Please note, however, that many programs are competitive and fill up quickly.

- Applications must be completed on-line: www.ontariocolleges.ca.

- Click on APPLY NOW. Create a New User OCAS (Ontario College Application System) Account. Use an email address that you check regularly to create your account. Cost: 110\$ (non-refundable). Your application will not be processed until the payment is made.

- Write down your application number: ____ - _____ - _____

- You can apply to a maximum of 5 programs, but not more than 3 at any one college (e.g. if you are only applying to Algonquin, you can apply to up to 3 programs). When selecting programs, make sure that you choose the correct campus (e.g. Woodroffe) and start date (Fall 2024).

- You must send your **Ministry transcript and your first Gr. 11 report card to Ontario Colleges.** Your guidance counsellor can do this for you; however, we will need to your application number and the name of the college(s) and program(s) to which you have applied.

- It's always a good idea to print a copy of your final transmission receipt at the end of your application.

- Colleges may send early acceptance offers of admission. Apply as soon as possible.

- You must confirm your acceptance of an offer of admission by May 1st. Log into your ontariocolleges.ca account to confirm your offer.

- The colleges require payment of a tuition deposit in mid-June to secure your spot in your program.

- Your final high school transcript will need to be sent to ontariocolleges.ca in July.

Adult Education



Some students choose to register for Adult Education after finishing up at D'Arcy. If you are missing credits for your Secondary School Diploma, or if you would like to obtain prerequisites for Cégep, university, or vocational training, enrolling at an Adult Education Centre can allow you to achieve your goals. You must be at least 16 years of age by June 30th in order to register. Our local Adult Education Centre is in Hull: [Hull Adult Education Centre](#)

Students can also complete Adult Education courses through [Distance Education](#).

Age Requirement

*16 years old or older by June 30th
to register.*

*E.g. You want to register for
September, 2022, and you turn 16
on June 25th, 2022.*

Vocational Training

Vocational programs offer job-specific training and are geared toward helping students prepare to go directly from school into their chosen career. This could include careers in the skilled trades, health care, social services, business, culinary, technology, cosmetology and esthetics, design and media arts, and many more. Vocational training offers a hands-on approach to learning, and students graduate with practical skills and experience. There is often an internship, co-op, or apprenticeship component to the programs. There are vocational programs offered at numerous colleges, Cégeps, and centres.

Click [here](#) to explore trades and vocational programs in Québec.

The Western Québec Career Centre, located in Aylmer, offers the following vocational programs:

- Automobile Mechanics
- Health, Assistance and Nursing
- Institutional and Home Care Assistance
- Accounting
- Secretarial Studies
- Welding and Fitting
- Residential and Commercial Drafting
- Industrial Drafting
- Starting a Business

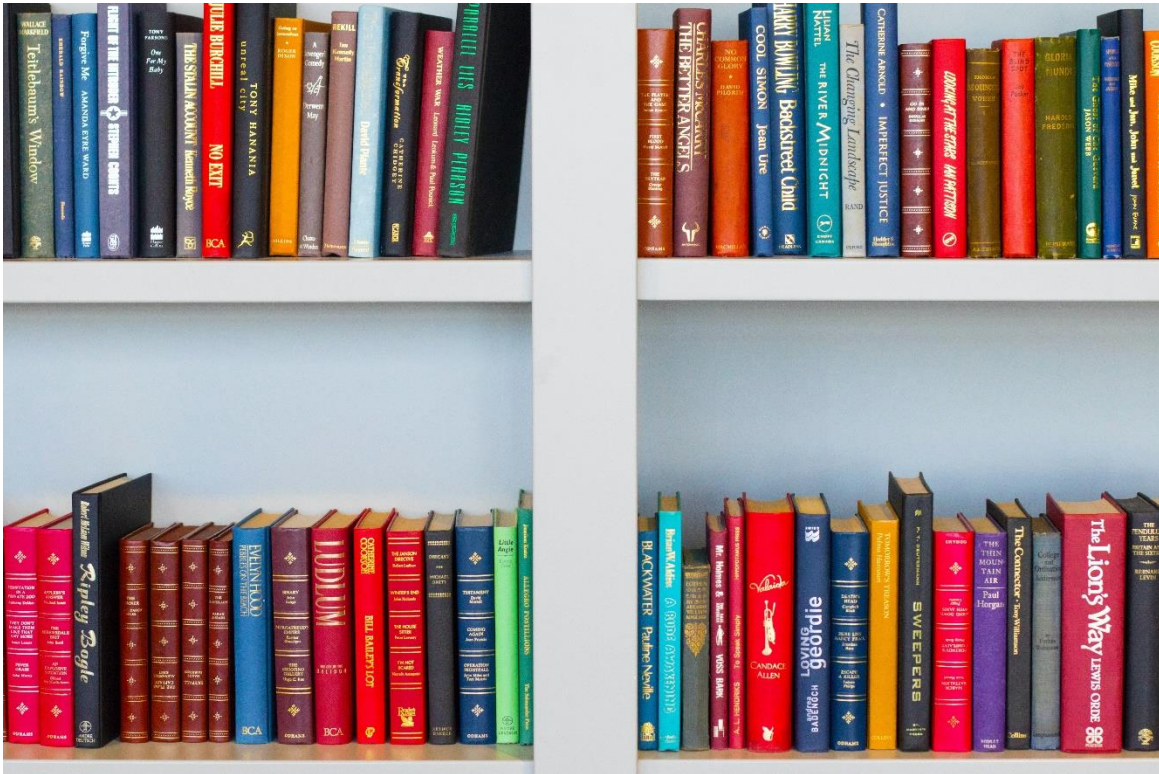
To obtain more information about the WQCC, find out about prerequisites for their programs, and to learn how to register, please visit the [WQCC website](#).

Student for a Day

If you would like to visit the Career Centre and explore one or more of their programs, students can participate in the Student for a Day opportunity. Please see your guidance counsellor for more information. Please note that students must have their own transportation to and from the WQCC.

Universities that Accept Students from Grade 11

Deadlines are different for each university. It is recommended that applicants apply by December 1st. Applicants can apply to as many Ontario universities as they wish but are limited to THREE programs at any one university.



The following Canadian universities accept applications from Secondary V with strong academic standing:

- University of Ottawa www.uottawa.ca & Saint Paul <https://ustpaul.ca/>
- Memorial University in Newfoundland <http://www.mun.ca>
- University of New Brunswick <http://www.unb.ca>
- Université de Moncton <https://www.umoncton.ca/>

All other Canadian universities require that you complete 1 to 2 years of Cégep. Québec universities require that you complete your entire Cégep program before attending their institution, while some Ontario universities will allow you to apply with 1 year of Cégep.

Universities

Ontario Universities

The local Ontario universities are **University of Ottawa** and **Carleton University**. Online Applications for all Ontario universities can be found at www.ouac.on.ca. Check out this [website](#) to look through programs. Below is a list of all other universities in Ontario:

- *Western University*
- *Lakehead University*
- *Queens University*
- *Wilfred Laurier University*
- *Laurentian University*
- *Royal Military College of Canada*
- *McMaster University*
- *Ryerson University*
- *University of Windsor*
- *University of Toronto*
- *York University*
- *Algoma University*
- *Brock University*
- *OCAD University*
- *Trent University*
- *University of Waterloo*
- *Ontario Tech University*
- *University of Guelph*
- *Nipissing University*

Although you may not be applying to university this year, it is recommended to start researching programs and admission requirements if you plan on pursuing university studies in the future.

You can view a list of all Canadian universities [here](#).

How the Québec and Ontario Systems Differ

Most Québec colleges, known as Cégeps, offer two distinctly different types of programs: 2-year Pre-University programs which lead to University, or 3-year Career Programs which lead to a highly skilled occupation (or further studies).

- The local English-language Cégep is **Heritage College**. A local private Cégep is College Universel (bilingual).
- Ontario Colleges offer mainly career-type programs that vary in length from 15 weeks to three years.
- The local English-language Ontario College is **Algonquin College**.
- Most Québec Cégeps do not charge tuition fees; you pay for textbooks and school fees.

Québec University Admission requirements

- Québec universities require the Cégep diploma for admission. The Cégep diploma, Diplôme d'Études Collégiales (D.E.C.) is awarded after successfully completing a two-year Pre-university program or a three-year Technical program.
- The Québec English-language universities are Bishop's, Concordia and McGill.
- Québec Universities also have lower tuition costs for Québec residents.

Ontario University Admission Requirements

- Ontario universities, such as Carleton University and University of Ottawa, in general require the first year of a Cégep Pre-University program to be successfully completed for admission to a first-year university program.
- Québec students who successfully complete a two-year Pre-university Cégep program are sometimes admitted into their second year in an Ontario University. In general, the first year of Cégep is equivalent to last-year of high school in other provinces, and a second year of Cégep is equivalent to first-year of University in other provinces.
- Strong academic students may also have the option of direct admission into the University of Ottawa (must have an 83% average).

Loans and Bursaries

Residents in Québec can apply for student loans and bursaries through [Student Financial Assistance](#). Below are the conditions to be eligible for financial aid:

- You are a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or refugee.
- You live in Québec.
- You have been admitted to an educational institution recognized by the Ministry.
- You are a full-time student in a recognized program.
- You have insufficient financial resources to pursue your studies.

How do I apply?

1. Create an online account using the website above.
2. Click the Full-time or Part-time forms tab.
3. Check that you are in the correct year in the Loans and Bursaries Program section.
4. Click on Application for Financial Assistance.
5. Submit all documents listed in the Required Documents section.

Additional Information

- You may apply for financial assistance before you are enrolled at an educational institution.
- You may apply for financial assistance after you have started your post-secondary schooling.
- The amount of financial assistance you will receive is dependent upon your income, parent/guardian income, number of dependent children in your household, cost of tuition, living expenses, and where you are studying.
- You may receive financial assistance through the special needs program, if you qualify.
- A portion of the money granted may be a loan (which you must pay back) and a portion may be a bursary (which you do not have to pay back).

Scholarships

Please see the following websites to view available scholarships:

- [Scholarships Canada](#)
- [Indspire](#) (for First Nations, Métis & Inuit students)
- [Connections' Bursary Program](#) (for students going into Health and Social Services in Quebec)