

ONTARIO COLLEGES

Quick Facts & Stats:

- ✓ “40% of all new jobs created within the next decade will be in skilled trades and technology.” – Source: Skills Canada
- ✓ “84% of recent college graduates found employment within six months of graduation.” – source: Colleges Ontario
- ✓ “The number of university grads enrolled in colleges has increased by more than 40% over five years.” – Source: Globe & Mail

Why College?

- ✓ More flexible with program delivery than universities are.
- ✓ Smaller class sizes (average class size is 30 compared to 130 in 1st year university).
- ✓ More economical than university – graduate with less debt.
- ✓ Many innovative and ground breaking programs.
- ✓ Real-world experience before graduation and more hands-on classes.
- ✓ Most have bridging programs and partnerships with universities.
- ✓ Financial assistance, disability services, tutoring programs, & onsite counselling is available

Type of Programs at Ontario Colleges:

- ✓ **Certificate Programs** – two semesters (one year) of study.
- ✓ **Diploma Programs** – 4 semesters (two years) of study.
- ✓ **Advanced Diploma Programs** – 6 semesters (three years of study).
- ✓ **Degree Programs** – four years of study
- ✓ **Collaborative & Joint Degree Programs** – offered jointly by a college and partnering university – students earn both college and university credits.
- ✓ **Co-op & Apprenticeship Programs** – all colleges offer a variety of these.

How to Apply:

- ✓ Online applications are open now – www.ontariocolleges.ca
- ✓ In November, colleges will begin to receive applications.
- ✓ **February 1st** is the **equal consideration deadline** (do not wait until the deadline, apply early).

Fees:

- ✓ \$125 non-refundable application fee – includes up to 5 program choices (no more than 3 at any one college).
- ✓ Mid June – Tuition deposits due