



**Crestwood**

PREPARATORY COLLEGE

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Welcome!

**Postsecondary  
Information Workshop  
Fall 2018**

# Tonight's Program



1. Welcome and introductions
1. OSSD and CPC diploma requirements
1. The steps in the research process and finding the right fit
1. Ontario University Application Centre (OUAC) process and important dates to know
1. University admission requirements for programming both in- and outside of Canada
1. The Advanced Placement (AP) program



# OSSD Requirements

- 30 credits (18 compulsory + 12 elective)
- 40 hours of community service
- Successfully pass the OSSLT or the OLC4O course



# Crestwood Preparatory College Diploma Requirements

- Recipient of the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award or higher
- Minimum of 20 hours of community service per year enrolled at Crestwood (as of Sept. 2016)
- Participate in a minimum of 1 extra-curricular activity each year
- All core English classes are taken each year enrolled at Crestwood.
- Additional credit specific requirements



# The Research Process: Grade 11

**Students must consider their research early in order to be best prepared for the application process!**

## January

**Classroom visit to English: Focus on choosing subjects for their final year and the importance of destination choices.**

- **Credit Counseling Summary**
- **Consideration of prerequisites for programs of interest**

## April and May

- **Individual Interviews with students – exploring goals**
- **Online research tools with focus on Electronic Info and Career Cruising**



# The Research Process: Grade 12

**Student support is provided throughout the application process  
– and beyond!**

***September***

**University Workshop #1 – Introduction to Research**

***October***

**Individual Grade 12 Student Interviews (one-on-one)  
University Workshop #2 – Hands-on Research,  
Complete the University planning chart (found on  
Edsby)**

***November 15 & 16***

**University Workshop #3 – Distribution of PINs  
Begin & complete OUAC application in computer lab**

***December***

**Workshop: How to Write Supplementary Applications**

***January***

**Reminders: Review & Change Your Application**



# Researching University and College Information

- **Ontario Universities' Fair**
  - This weekend Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup> and Sunday September 30<sup>th</sup> at Metro Convention Centre. 10am-5pm FREE ADMISSION
- **Ontario Colleges' Fair**
  - Tuesday October 24<sup>th</sup> 5-9pm & Wednesday October 25<sup>th</sup> 9am-2pm
- **University Admissions Visits @ CPC**
- **Fall and Spring Open House Dates @ each university**
- **Electronic Info: [www.electronicinfo.ca](http://www.electronicinfo.ca)**
  - Index and search tool for programs across all 21 Ontario universities
- **Career Cruising: [www.careercruising.com](http://www.careercruising.com)**
  - Username "CrestwoodPrep" and password "Careers"
  - Index and search tool for college and university programs across Canada



# Applying to University and Colleges

- **Ontario Universities' Application Centre: [www.ouac.on.ca](http://www.ouac.on.ca)**
  - Collect and process application information for admission to each of the universities in Ontario
  - Grade 12 students will receive a PIN on November 15<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup> and will start application that day
  - Each applicant should apply to at least 3 program choices for a flat fee of \$150. No maximum number of applications, however each choice is an additional \$50.
- **Ontario Colleges Application Centre: [www.ontariocolleges.ca](http://www.ontariocolleges.ca)**
  - Research program offerings at each college
  - Each applicant can apply to a maximum of 5 program choices for the flat fee of \$95.
  - Applications will be open in the next few weeks.





**Ontario Universities/Colleges  
In-House Application Deadline  
for Crestwood Students**

**Friday, December 7th**

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# Why December 7th?

- **In mid-January, the OUAC website gets very busy and delays may happen**
- **Changes possible in December and January, using “Review and Change” process. Each change will cost an additional \$50.**
- **Applications to McGill, Bishop’s, Dalhousie, Concordia, U of Victoria, UBC, Simon Fraser, UNB and U of Calgary will ask for the student’s OUAC Reference Number**
- **Once applications are completed, students can focus on supplemental**



# Ontario University Application: Key Dates

- Changes on the OUAC site should be made by **January 16<sup>th</sup>**
- Universities may accept changes after this date but it would depend on the university and program
- Competitive programs do not usually accept changes after **February 5<sup>th</sup>**
- **May 29<sup>th</sup>** – Latest date by which universities must respond to applicants
  - an offer of admission
  - a refusal
  - a deferral
- **June 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Earliest date by which university may require a response and financial commitment from student



# Mark Transmission Schedule

## October:

All previously earned Grade 11 and 12 marks and current subjects are sent to the Ontario University Application Centre (OUAC), along with demographic information and current courses

*Note: Marks are sent to Ontario universities only after the student completes the OUAC application, including payment*

February: First marks for 2018-2019 courses are sent

April: Second set of marks for 2018-2019 are sent

June: Final Marks are sent to OUAC



# Ontario University Admission Requirements

- **Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD)**
- **Minimum overall average in six Grade 12 U/M courses, including ENG4U**
  - **Specific prerequisites for admission to specific programs**
  - **2018 Grade Range is published as a guideline only for admissions**
- **Supplementary Applications, if necessary**

*Requirements vary by university and specific program!*

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# Additional Requirements

- **Some programs may require one or more of the following :**
  - profile sheet
  - essay
  - reference letters
  - interview
  - admission testing
  - portfolio
  - audition



**Consult the University websites and eInfo for details**



# Work Experience:

## Co-op, Internship, Practicum or Field Placement

### Many ways to get related work experience at university:

- Co-op may be applied to from high school or during the first year of university, depending on the university and program
- Usually co-op programs require slightly higher admission averages
- Additional time may be required , i.e. five-year program
- Many university co-op and internship programs are paid work experience

***Research each university for details!***



# Offers of Acceptance

## Conditional Offers:

- ❖ *Conditional on completing OSSD and six Grade 12 U/M courses*
- ❖ *May be other conditions such as maintaining a specific average*
- ❖ *Offers come out at different times for different programs and universities*
- ❖ *Some early offers may be made to students who had a high average in Grade 11 and have completed several Grade 12 courses*





# Students Must Ask Themselves...

- **Have I properly researched my choice of programs(s)?**
- **Have I realistically predicted the average of my six grade 12 admission courses?**
- **Do I have the required grades and prerequisite courses for the program?**
- **Have I listed questions for the visits by university reps? Are my questions answered?**
- **Have I planned a visit to the campus?**
- **Have I been on the websites?**
- **Have I emailed my specific questions to the universities?**



# The Advanced Placement Program

*For motivated high school students to take challenging university-level courses while still in high school*

- Examinations are written in May, and are 3 hours long with multiple choice and essay questions (same format as postsecondary)
- Requires students to put in time outside of class
- \$225 per course
- Tax receipt will be provided for the cost of a university course (~\$1500)



# The Advanced Placement Program

- Computer Science
- English Language and Composition
- English Literature and Composition
- Microeconomics
- U.S. History
- French Language and Culture
- Spanish Language and Culture
- Studio Art
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics



# Why Take Advanced Placement?

- 1. Enrichment of Ontario curriculum**
- 2. Enhance individual strengths (ability to choose)**
- 3. “A Step Ahead”**
  - **experience with university-style evaluations**
  - **possible credit(s) with AP score(s) of 4 or 5**
- 4. International recognition**



# Summary of Workshop

- **Complete all diploma requirements**
- **Research programs & universities**
- **Realistic decisions**
- **Support “*dream*” & ensure “*insurance*” choices**
- **Complete Ontario application by December 7<sup>th</sup>**
- **Complete additional requirements including supplementary applications on time**
- **Encourage initiative**
- **Use all resources**
- **Organize university materials**



**Thank You!**

**QUESTIONS?**

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