

GRAD NEWSLETTER

Ursuline College

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Principal: Lisa Harnarine

September 2023

519 351-2987



VP AND GUIDANCE INFO

Tiffany Clarke/Patty Bromley
(LAST NAMES A-F)

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(LAST NAMES G-M)

Katie Simon/Jordan Matteis
(LAST NAMES N-Z)

To book a guidance appointment, please
email:

louise.kosik@sccdsb.net



Save the Date

- Grade 12 Pathway Presentation:
September 27th, 2023 @ 11:40 AM, UCC Theatre
- Individual Grade 12 Guidance Visits:
October-November 2023 (check your email)
- OUAC application opens:
September 21, 2023
- OUAC application deadline:
January 15, 2024
- Ontario Colleges application opens:
early October
- Ontario Colleges application deadline:
February 1, 2024
- CIP: College Information Program:
October 10th, 2023, (morning)Ridgetown College (sign up to attend)
- Grad Day; June 5, 2024 (tentative)
- Graduation: June 27, 2024 @ 7PM

CLASS OF 2024

GRADUATION INFORMATION

Graduation Fee: \$50

Payment can be made on:

School Cash Online

Contact:

deb.buchanan@sccdsb.net



[College/University Visit Dates to UCC](#)

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Please submit all volunteer hours to:

Cathy Staal in guidance

cathy.staal@sccdsb.net

All volunteer hour pages must be signed by a supervisor, parent and student.

IMPORTANT REMINDER



Repeated courses do not count as additional credits, **UNIVERSITY** bound students are required to take six **4U** or **4M** courses. Please check program prerequisites. **SHSM** students should check to ensure they meet certification requirements.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

18 Compulsory Credits
12 Optional Credits

30 Total Credits



40 COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

(must be completed by February 1, 2024)

OSSLT

(successful completion)

2 E-LEARNING CREDITS

(unless opted out, opt-out sheets available in Guidance)

HELPFUL RESOURCES



[Volunteer Hours Record Sheet](#)

[Volunteer Opportunities](#)

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UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

OUAC applications are open!

Deadline to apply is:
January 15, 2024

Students apply to all Ontario universities through the OUAC portal. Students will now use their OEN number to apply.

ouac.on.ca



HOW TO VIDEOS: OUAC

<https://www.ouac.on.ca/videos/how-to-videos/>

ADDITIONAL RESOURCE:

DO YOUR RESEARCH!

ONTARIO UNIVERSITIES INFO:

ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca

MY BLUEPRINT:

<https://app.myblueprint.ca/?sdid=stclair>

APPLICATION COSTS

BASE APPLICATION FEE: \$156

3 university choices included in the base fee.

ADDITIONAL CHOICES:

\$50/university

UNIVERSITY COSTS

TUITION: \$7,000

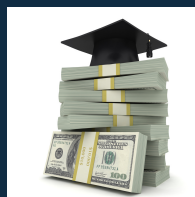
BOOKS/ONLINE RESOURCES: \$1,000

RENT/FOOD: \$11,000

PERSONAL EXPENSES: \$1,000

TRANSPORTATION: \$1,200

TOTAL: \$22,200



<https://www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca/tuition-and-fees>

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COLLEGE INFORMATION

ONTARIO COLLEGES applications are open!

Deadline to apply is:
February 1, 2024

Students apply to all Ontario colleges through the ONTARIO COLLEGES portal. Students will use their OEN number to apply.

[ontariocolleges.ca](https://www.ontariocolleges.ca)

**ontario
colleges.ca**



IMPORTANT DATES

<https://www.ontariocolleges.ca/en/apply/important-dates>

ADDITIONAL RESOURCE:

DO YOUR RESEARCH!

The Ontario Colleges site allows you to apply and do research at the same time!

ONTARIO COLLEGES:

[ontariocolleges.ca](https://www.ontariocolleges.ca)

MY BLUEPRINT

<https://app.myblueprint.ca/?sdid=stclair>

APPLICATION COSTS

BASE APPLICATION FEE: \$125

5 college choices included in the base fee.

COLLEGE TUITION COSTS

Diploma Programs - \$2,400
Graduate Certificate Programs - \$3,600
Bachelor's Degree Programs - \$6,100
Collaborative Programs - \$5,000

You can also expect an average of \$800 in ancillary fees (student activity fees, athletic fees, health insurance, etc.) and \$1,300 for books and supplies. Please note that these figures do not include living costs, such as rent, utilities and transportation.

Tuition for specialized programs may be higher. For example, programs that involve training on specialized equipment (such as heavy equipment operator or aviation) require college investment in this equipment, as well as in facilities and ongoing maintenance. These costs are often factored into tuition costs. Other programs, such as photography or fine arts programs, may require you to buy extra equipment or supplies on top of the cost of tuition fees, which can increase your expenses.



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POST SECONDARY PATHWAYS

Not sure whether you want to go to college or university? There are plenty of other options out there, from apprenticeships to entry-level jobs.

You won't be alone in wondering whether college or university is worth it. Although we could go around in circles debating this for hours, our simple answer would be yes for some people, and no for others.

Studying for a degree is a fantastic experience that can open so many doors for students, but that doesn't mean it's for everyone. There are plenty of alternatives to college or university.

APPRENTICESHIPS

As an apprentice, you learn a skilled trade on the job. You work with and learn from experienced workers, and get paid while you do it.

You also learn in a classroom from instructors who know the trade. This may take place on a college campus or in a union training centre. For most trades, you work for a year and then switch to studying in class for eight to 12 weeks, either full or part-time. It takes between two to five years to complete an apprenticeship.

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/apprenticeship-ontario>

www.ontariocolleges.ca

<https://www.stclaircollege.ca/programs/pre-apprenticeship-programs>



CANADIAN ARMED FORCES

www.forces.ca

Major F.A. Tilston Armoury

4007 Sandwich St. Windsor, Ontario N9C 1C3

519 254-2535 ext 4512

DIRECT ENTRY: minimum Grade 10 education, completion of a written aptitude test.

PAID EDUCATION: Canadian forces will pay for college/university costs, in exchange for service after graduation.

MILITARY CO-OP: <http://www.st-clair.net/coop/aboriginal-and-military.aspx#Military>



EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

GOODWILL CAREER CENTRE

300 Lacroix Street

Chatham, Ontario

519 354-4400

ST. CLAIR COLLEGE EMPOWERMENT CENTRE

60 McNaughton Ave

Wallaceburg, Ontario

519 628-5269

www.youth.gc.ca

www.jobbank.gc.ca

<https://www.chathamkentjobs.com/>

NOW
HIRING!



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PAY ATTENTION TO THE FINE PRINT WHEN CHOOSING YOUR COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY!

1. Calculation of admission average
2. Requirement of a supplemental application
3. Policy on repeated, summer, e-learning and correspondence courses
4. Calculation of average for entrance scholarships
5. Deferral policy (ability to delay entrance)
6. Benefit of being enrolled in the SHSM program.
7. Students with an IEP should check with the registrar office of the colleges/universities they are applying to and find out if their recent psycho-educational assessment needs to be included.



**TAKE TIME TO TOUR COLLEGES and
UNIVERSITIES. ATTEND UNI and COLLEGE
PRESENTATIONS @ UCC! (see
accompanying schedule)**



**SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION**

*There are many scholarships/bursaries available. Plan ahead.
Pay attention to deadlines. Keep checking EDSBY for
scholarship info updates. Listen to announcements. Once
you choose a post secondary institute, apply for
scholarships at the institution of your choice.*

SCHOLARSHIPS, BURSARIES and OSAP

UCC SCHOLARSHIP INFO

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1jkc9jeT_WhQZyiq1HSr4q2W2oFp6oSYovcacREwR4To/edit

STUDENT AID: CANADA

<https://osap.gov.on.ca>

OSAP applications will not open until Spring 2024

Go LANCERS!

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GRAD COACH for BLACK STUDENTS

Introducing Toyin Jegede

The Graduation Coach Program for Black, African, and Caribbean Students is an educational initiative sponsored by the Ministry of Education.

The program honours and responds to the voices of Black students in a meaningful, timely and authentic manner. It aims to determine if providing intensive, culturally responsive support to African, Black and Caribbean students will impact their academic achievement and overall well-being.

The graduation coach provides individualized supports to Black students and families with the goal of seeing each student feel safe and supported. The coach acts as a mentor, advocate and advisor for Black students.

The program is open to African, Black and Caribbean students from grades 9 to 12 and families

who wish to access these supports. The Graduation Coach Program for Black, African and Caribbean students is a targeted initiative that will aid in the support of self-identified Black students along with their families and community with the overall goal of seeing each self-identifying student achieve credits, graduate and successfully transition into post-secondary or the workforce.



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