

Greetings Grade 12's and families,

### Ontario Universities Update

We attended our annual University Dialogue this week, virtually of course. From this we are sharing updates:

**The Experience:** Universities are working hard to adapt to the online environment and expressed their confidence that they would offer top notch academic experiences regardless of the format. Schools are making decisions about Fall Operations based on the most up to date information and in many cases it will be a wait and see. They encourage you to accept offers and understand that they are working to adapt delivery if needed to a variety of methods such as blended learning that could involve online and some smaller group sessions. Each school will inform applicants as information is updated. However this link, posted on the Grade 12 blog, shares Covid updates for each institution.

### [Universities Covid Updates](#)

**Offers:** The process of offers has not been disrupted as the midterm and final mark uploads are following the usual schedule. All Universities in Ontario will meet the May 27th deadline to inform applicants of either an offer or a refusal. **You must accept your offer by June 1st.** As well the process for scholarship assessment is unchanged, however each school assesses scholarships differently so make sure you check your chosen institutions criteria. Universities reps are working remotely to support prospective students with questions.

**Deferrals:** Universities are fielding many questions regarding deferrals, given the uncertain circumstances. If you are considering deferring make sure you accept your offer and follow the deferral conditions and deadlines specific to your school. Ontario Universities are wanting to remind you that if there is disruption to live classes it will not be forever and they are committed to welcoming you, with your safety in mind.

**Housing/Residence:** This is an unknown right now and Universities are planning for a variety of scenarios. Each university is working with their housing department to create some policies and will be informing applicants soon. We did ask if the residence deposits would be refundable given the circumstances and the representative stated that each school is working on a message and are aware of the concern so - stay tuned and stay up to date with your schools communication systems.

### Ontario College Updates:

The annual College Dialogue has not been rescheduled yet but we anticipate it will be offered very soon in a virtual format. We will share any updates to College applicants after this event. Follow this link to the most recent updates at Ontario Colleges related to Covid. [Ontario Colleges Covid Update](#)

Please continue to check the [Grade 12 Blog](#) regularly. Last week we posted the Ontario Public School Boards Association Scholarship. There will be some new scholarships in the next few weeks and deadlines for old posting are coming up. As well you will find many general messages for grads there.

We continue to be here for you,

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