

Grade 11 Survival Guide 2023-2024



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Your guide to CEGEP, Ontario
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THE ROUND SYSTEM

What is the Round System?

The Round System helps maximize the number of applicants admitted to CEGEP. There are three consecutive rounds for Fall semester applications.

A "round" is a portion of an application period during which:

- You can submit your application for the first time (at any round)
- You can change your choice and try again if you were refused at a previous round.

With SRAM, you must choose a single program in a single CEGEP. If you are refused, you can take part in the following round for the same semester by making a new choice out of the remaining spaces. You will not have to pay additional application fees.

AVAILABLE SPACES

In Round 1 of the Fall semester, the maximum number of spaces is open to applicants.

After Round 1 admissions, the remaining spaces are open in the next round. Since spaces are filled at each round, there are fewer spaces available as the application process moves forward. **A Table of Available Spaces is published for Rounds 2 and 3.** It is important to refer to these tables prior to submitting a new choice.

SRAM highly encourages you to meet with your guidance counsellor to help prepare your college application.

ACCEPTANCE

Admission is final. Once you are accepted, you may no longer take part in the following rounds.

REFUSAL

If you are refused, you will be invited to take part in the next round. There are no additional fees. You just have to log on to your file at <http://sram-myfile.omnivoxx.ca> and modify your choice before the next deadline.

ADMISSION ANSWERS

Admission answers are posted on your online file at <http://sram-myfile.omnivoxx.ca> on the date listed in the deadlines and important dates of that round.

- CEGEP's will electronically notify you of your acceptance; they will include all the necessary information to confirm your acceptance and registration.
- Refusal letters are posted directly in the applicant's online file. It should be read carefully as it includes explanations about the refusal, instructions to pursue the application, and CEGEP's contact information.

DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE!

Submitting your application as soon as possible will give you plenty of time to complete your file before the deadline. Incomplete files are not sent out to CEGEPs for evaluation.

If you are hesitating between two programs or two CEGEPs, you can still start to fill out your application right away. As long as your application fees are paid, you can change your choice of program and CEGEP as many times as you wish right up until the Round deadline. Your last registered choice at the time of the deadline is the one that will be considered.

Tip: By choosing to submit your documents online, not only are you ensuring that they're legible, but you can also be sure they are instantly received by SRAM.

Admission Requirements

To be considered for admission to a program leading to a diploma of college studies (DCS), applicants must meet the following three requirements:

1. Hold a Secondary School Diploma (SSD) and be in one of the following situations:

- Hold a SSD in the Youth Sector or in the Adult Sector.

Note: if you are missing or failing any of the following courses, you may not be accepted:

- Sec 5 Language of Instruction
 - Sec 5 Second Official Language
 - Sec 4 Mathematics
 - Sec 4 Science & Technology or Applied Science & Technology or Physical Science
 - Sec 4 History & Citizenship Education or History of Quebec & Canada
 - Hold a Secondary School Vocational Diploma (SSVD) AND have successfully completed the following courses:
 - Sec 5 Language of Instruction
 - Sec 5 Second Official Language
 - Sec 4 Mathematics
 - Hold instruction deemed equivalent by the college.
2. Satisfy, if applicable, the special conditions for admission established by the Minister which specify the program prerequisites.
3. Satisfy, if applicable, any special conditions for admission established by the college for each of its programs.

Prerequisites (a.k.a. "special conditions")

Mathematics and sciences prerequisites are required for admission to certain programs. The following codes are used to indicate the specific courses required:

Index of High School Prerequisites:

- 1 Sec 4 Cultural, Social, and Technical Math Option (563404 or 563414)
- 2 Sec 4 Science and Tech (555404 or 555444) OR Secondary 4 Applied Science and Tech (557406 or 557416)
- 21 Sec 4 Science and Tech (555404 or 555444) OR Applied Science and Tech (557406 or 557416) AND Secondary 4 Environmental Science and Tech (558404) OR Science and the Environment (558402)
- 31 Sec 5 Chemistry (551504)
- 41 Sec 5 Physics (553504)
- 60 Sec 5 Cultural, Social, and Technical Math Option (563504)
- 61 Sec 4 Technical and Scientific Math Option (564406 or 564426) OR Sec 4 Science Math Option (565406 or 565426)
- 63 Sec 5 Technical and Scientific Math Option (564506) OR Sec 5 Science Math Option (565506)

Why only one choice per round?

With the Round System, accepted applicants only reserve a single spot in a CEGEP. CEGEPs therefore have a better grasp of the number of students they can accept. As a result, SRAM's Round System makes it possible for a greater number of applicants to be accepted.

A few telling statistics:

Among the SRAM applicants to the Fall 2019 semester:

- 95.1% of applicants who followed through on all available rounds were accepted.
- 92.6% of applicants were accepted into their first choice program.

There are, however, a certain number of programs with limited spaces.

What is the duration of studies?

- The minimum expected length of a pre-university program is 2 years, or 4 semesters.
- The minimum expected length of a technical program is 3 years, or 6 semesters.
- Visit the CEGEPs' websites for the duration of your program of choice.

Tip: You uploaded your documents to your online application? Within 24 hours, SRAM will have updated your online file at <http://sram-myfile.omnivox.ca> for you to see whether or not your application is complete. So check back to see that all is in order.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the deadline to complete an application for admission to SRAM? The deadline to submit a complete first round application for the fall semester is March 1st at 11:59 p.m. Aim to have it completed one week before the deadline; do not wait until the last minute as it has to be fully accepted as complete prior to March 1st at 11:59 p.m.

Are there fees to pay when making an application to SRAM? Yes, the fee for an application for admission made online is \$30. The fee is, in all cases, non-refundable.

Is it possible to make several applications to SRAM to be certain of being admitted? No. Only one application for admission can be made to SRAM. Only one CEGEP choice and one program choice is permitted. The three-round system ensures that each candidate, as best as possible, is admitted to CEGEP.

Do I have to submit a copy of my birth certificate? It depends on where you were born. Individuals born in QC are not obliged to send copies of their birth certificate. However, individuals born elsewhere in Canada must submit a birth certificate.

- An applicant who is a Canadian citizen born outside of Canada must submit proof of Canadian citizenship (photocopy of both sides of their citizenship card or their Canadian passport).
- An applicant residing in Canada who is not a Canadian citizen must submit a document issued by Citizenship and Immigration Canada attest to his/her status in Canada.
- An applicant who holds a QC Selection Certificate must submit a copy of this certificate.
- An international applicant who holds a permit issued by Citizenship and Immigration Canada must submit a copy of this permit in addition to a birth certificate. If the birth certificate is not written in either French or English, it must be officially translated by a professional translator in either of these languages.

How do CEGEP's evaluate applications? SRAM-affiliated CEGEPs use ranking lists to evaluate applications. Applicants are ranked to determine whether or not they are eligible, to compare them to one another and to choose the best suited candidates for limited enrolment programs where applications outnumber available places. All marks from Secondary 4 and 5 are used in the ranking process (as well as CEGEP marks for students that have already completed CEGEP courses). Average deviations are then calculated in each course. An applicant whose grade is above the average in a particular course has a positive deviation and earns points in the ranking. If applicants pass optional Secondary 5 mathematics, chemistry or physics, they will be given a bonus. Furthermore, some subjects are weighed more than others for the purpose of ranking applicants. These "heavier" subjects depend on the college program chosen. For example, if applicants choose the Science Program in CEGEP, high school results in mathematics and science will be given a greater importance. For applicants in English institutions, English is in all cases a "heavy subject" of major importance.

What are the reasons that CEGEP's consider when refusing an applicant? Although CEGEPs admit a large number of applicants who have a good school records, there are, however, precise reasons for refusing a student including: inadequate schooling; insufficient prerequisites; inadequate school grades; unsatisfactory test results, portfolio, audition, or interview; lack of available places; or inadequate language proficiency. In the event that an applicant is refused, SRAM's three-round system allows refused applicants to continue applying. Keep in mind that 95% of applicants who complete the application process will be admitted - be confident!

See <https://www.sram.qc.ca/frequently-asked-questions> for more.



Quick Links

Who are the SRAM-affiliated cegeps? Answer: <https://www.sram.qc.ca/what-is-sram/cegeps-members-of-sram>
(Hint: Heritage, John Abbott, Vanier, Champlain Lennoxville, and CEGEP de l'Outaouais are all SRAM cegeps).

When are SRAM-affiliated open houses? Answer: <https://www.sram.qc.ca/what-is-sram/open-house>

What are the admission procedures? Answer: <https://www.sram.qc.ca/diploma-of-college-studies/admission-procedures>

I was refused and don't understand why. Find your answer here: <https://www.sram.qc.ca/diploma-of-college-studies/understanding-the-reasons-for-refusal>

Dates

Round 1	Mid-January, 2024	Applications for admissions open at http://sram.omnivox.ca
	March 1st, 2024 at 11:59 pm	Deadline to complete application in Round 1
Round 2	March 2nd, 2024 at 12:00 am	Start of Round 2 Applications
	Mid-March, 2024	The Round 2 Table of Available Spaces is posted
	Early April, 2024	CEGEPs' answers for Round 1 applications are posted on http://sram-myfile.omnivox.ca
	TBD	Deadline to submit a new choice or an application in Round 2
Round 3	Early May, 2024	Start of Round 3 applications
	Early May, 2024	The Round 3 Table of Available Spaces is posted
	TBD	Applications are closed
	Mid-June, 2024	CEGEPs' answers for Round 3 are posted: http://sram-myfile.onmifox.ca

Checklist

To apply for one of the SRAM CEGEP's, go to <http://sram.omnivox.ca> and apply online.

Use this Checklist as your guide:

- **Complete your application online** (you will need your permanent code, which is found on your report card).
*Remember, you are only allowed to select one college and one program on this application.
- **Print and keep the final transmission receipt** from the application with your file number on it!
- If you were born outside of Quebec, you will need to upload a copy of your birth certificate to your SRAM account.
- If you are missing a class that you need for your program, you need to upload proof that you have registered to take this course (either through the summer or distance education).
- **Pay the \$30 fee to apply**, which you can pay online immediately with a credit card (VISA or MasterCard), or by certified cheque or money order; all cheques should be made out to SRAM. Yay - you did it!

ONTARIO COLLEGES

<https://ontariocolleges.ca>

Applicant Checklist:

If you are taking one or more high school level courses through day school, night school, summer school, adult education, continuing education or correspondence, you will find this checklist helpful.

PLAN

- Explore your college options
- Visit ontariocolleges.ca
- Check for virtual events
- Take a campus tour if possible
- Review college websites
(ontariocolleges.ca/plan/ontario-colleges) and publications
- Research program admission requirements

FIND

- Search for programs using the Find A Program feature at ontariocolleges.ca and save your favourites to a wishlist* (*an account is required to create a wishlist. A wishlist is NOT an actual application).

APPLY

- Click on APPLY NOW
- Create an account by selecting a username and password (Note: Password is cAse SensiTive).
- Write down your username: _____
- Write down your account number: _____
- Write down your application number: ____-____-____
- Complete the application including program choices
- Pay for your application fees online by VISA, Master Card or American Express or by mailing in your payment. You may also call the ontariocolleges.ca Customer Contact Centre to make your payment by phone.
- Check your email inbox for a message from ontariocolleges.ca with your account information. (If you did not receive an email, check your junk mail/spam folder).

OBTAIN TRANSCRIPTS

- See Ms. Miljour in room #129 to request your transcripts (\$5.00 fee)

CONFIRM

The colleges will let you know directly of their admission decision. Click on CONFIRM

- Accept your offer of admission online by returning to your account at ontariocolleges.ca.

HINT: If after accepting an offer you do not receive an email, contact ontariocolleges.ca immediately.

PAYMENT DETAILS

There is a non-refundable fee of \$125.00 CDN to apply to college through ontariocolleges.ca. Up to 5 program choices (no more than 3 at any one college) are included in this fee as long as they start within the same academic year (August to July).

ONTARIO COLLEGES - DATES

www.ontariocolleges.ca/apply

When to Apply

As long as space remains in an Ontario college program, you may apply for it. However, there are some important dates to keep in mind, especially for popular programs that fill up quickly.

Apply to college as soon as the online application becomes available in October. Complete and pay for your application on or before February 1 in order to receive equal consideration for admission to programs beginning the following September.

The following dates apply to programs starting in the fall of 2024. The application process at ontariocolleges.ca follows an annual cycle, based on the academic year (August to July). For programs beginning at other times of the year, please contact the individual colleges for more information about application processing dates.

Early October 2024: Online Application Opens

In early October, access to the online college application becomes available for programs beginning in the following academic year (August to July). You may create an account and begin your application.

October 15, 2024: Colleges Begin Receiving Applications

In mid-October, ontariocolleges.ca begins transmitting application data to the colleges for the following academic year (August to July). This is the earliest date that colleges may acknowledge applications.

February 1, 2024: Equal Consideration Date

Apply on or before this date in order to receive equal consideration for admission to programs starting the following fall. After this date, colleges consider applicants on a first-come, first-served basis until programs are full.

***Note that applications to Highly Competitive Programs must be received by Feb 1st in order to be considered. As these programs receive a high volume of applicants, all seats may be filled.**

Applicants are encouraged to complete their applications well before the Equal Consideration Date, as website volumes on the online application are at their highest at this time. Many programs continue to accept applicants after February 1. Use our Find a Program tool at any time to find programs that are still open.

February 1st: Earliest Offer Date

This is the earliest date that colleges may begin to send offers of admission to programs for the upcoming academic year. Offers will continue to be issued until programs are filled or wait-lists are established.

May 1, 2024: Deadline to Confirm Offers of Admission

Applicants must confirm their acceptance of an offer of admission by this date. Log in to your ontariocolleges.ca account to confirm your offer. Colleges may extend offers of admission after this date. Each college will set the deadline to confirm offers made after May 1, and this deadline will be communicated to you with your offer.

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www.ontariocolleges.ca/apply

Mid-June 2024: Tuition Deposit Due at the Colleges

The colleges require payment of a tuition deposit in mid-June to secure your spot in your program. Each college sets its own tuition deposit amount and payment deadline. This information will be communicated to you by the college.

Explore By College

Algonquin

Centennial

Confederation

Fleming

Humber

Loyalist

Niagara

Sault

St. Clair

Cambrian

Collège Boréal

Durham

George Brown

La Cité

Michener Institute

Northern

Seneca

St. Lawrence

Canadore

Conestoga

Fanshawe

Georgian

Lambton

Mohawk

Ridgetown College

Sheridan

Transcripts

If you have education experience from outside of Ontario, but still within Canada, you'll need to provide your high school and/or postsecondary transcript(s) as part of your application. Contact the institution(s) directly and have them send your official transcript(s) to ontariocolleges.ca. Your transcript(s) must be received in a sealed envelope from the institution to be considered official.

Do not send your hardcopy transcript(s) until your application is complete and you've paid the application fee. We cannot process transcripts received for incomplete or unpaid applications. The time it takes for your transcripts to reach ontariocolleges.ca will vary. See Ms. Miljour in Room 129; the preparation of a transcript package costs \$5.00.

Mailing Address:

ontariocolleges.ca, 60
Corporate Court, Guelph,
Ontario, Canada N1G 5J3

IMPORTANT!

ontariocolleges.ca and the colleges use your email address to send you information about your application. Make sure you check your email regularly and keep it up-to-date.

Pay attention to the messages and wording on each screen. Be sure you fill out all information that is relevant to you.

Any questions or need support?
Book an appointment with Mrs.
Barnes in Philemon Office.



UNIVERSITY

Are you interested in going straight to university? It's possible with a Quebec high school diploma at the following universities:

- University of Ottawa
- St Paul University
- University of New Brunswick
- Memorial University Of Newfoundland

University of Ottawa

<https://www.uottawa.ca/undergraduate-admissions/quebec-secondary-schools>

Open house event information can be found at:

<https://www.uottawa.ca/undergraduate-admissions/admission-events/open-house>

The minimum average requirement is 84%. Some programs may have additional requirements.

Memorial University of Newfoundland

Students are required to have the following prerequisites:

English 536

Math 504 or 506

Chemistry or Physics 504

Ethics 502 or Contemporary World 502 or French 504/506

Phys-ed 502 or Arts 502

You will need an overall average of at least **70%** in the five Secondary V courses that are used to fulfil the subject area requirements listed above. If more than one course satisfies a subject area, the course with the highest grade is used to determine your admission average.

University of New Brunswick

Requirements vary depending on the program of interest, please see [UNB.ca/admissions](https://www.unb.ca/admissions) for further details.

To register:

<https://www.unb.ca/admissions/recruitment-events/index.html>



St Paul University

Requires a Secondary School Diploma with an average of 84%, including one course in English or français at the Secondary V level.

https://ustpaul.ca/en/admissions-and-student-services-applications-a-step-by-step-guide_466_152.htm#Quebec

Book a [Zoom Meeting](#) for more information at https://ustpaul.ca/en/campus-tour_544_132.htm

FALL 2024 ADMISSION

Vocational Schools



WESTERN QUEBEC
CAREER CENTRE

Western Quebec Career Centre

-Located in Aylmer, QC

-Offers programs in Accounting, Automotive, Nursing,
Secretarial Studies, Welding, and more!

-Guidance Counsellor: Liora Richler

lrichler@wqsb.qc.ca



For more information on schools and trades,
visit <https://www.admissionfp.com/>

Student Loans & Bursaries

Residents in Quebec can apply for student loans and bursaries through **Aide financière aux études** at <http://www.mesrs.gouv.qc.ca/en/aide-financiere-aux-etudes/>. The amount of financial aid that a student is eligible to receive is dependent on a variety of factors, including:

- Income of parents
- Number of dependent children residing in the household
- Cost of tuition
- Living expenses
- Studying outside of Quebec

Do I qualify for Québec student financial assistance?

Conditions of eligibility:

- 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 resources to pursue your studies

To check and see if you would be eligible, you can complete an online assessment at the website above prior to applying.

How do I apply for financial assistance, and what documents are required?

AFE begins accepting applications in May. Applications are completed online at <http://www.mesrs.gouv.qc.ca/en/aide-financiere-aux-etudes/>. You must first create an online account prior to applying. Once your account is created click on the Full-time forms or Part-time forms tab. Then, in the 2020-2021 Loans and Bursaries Program section, click on Application for Financial Assistance.

If any documents are required once you finish your application, they will be listed in Required Documents. You will need to mail them as quickly as possible in a single envelope, along with the transmittal slip.

Can I qualify for financial assistance even if I am studying outside Québec?

In order to become eligible for financial assistance for studies outside Québec, you must be eligible to for financial aid and the school and program which you plan to attend must be recognized by Aide financière aux études. If it is not recognized, you can apply to request that the program be recognized, but they have the right to refuse funding a program. Refusals typically occur if the program is available within the province of Quebec.

How are payments made?

If your application for financial assistance is accepted, the assistance to which you are entitled will be paid directly into your bank account on a monthly basis **once you have taken the following two steps:**

1. Print your guarantee certificate which will become available in your online file shortly before the beginning of your school session.
2. Bring certificate to any of the following Québec branches of financial institutions:
 - Desjardins Caisse
 - Bank of Montreal
 - Laurentian Bank
 - National Bank of Canada
 - Royal bank of Canada

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Do I need to be enrolled at an educational institution prior to applying for financial assistance?

No. You may apply for financial assistance even if you are not yet enrolled at an educational institution. However, you will need to provide the code of the school that is recognized by the Ministère so that your eventual assistance can be calculated. If any assistance is awarded to you once your application has been processed, you will need to submit a certificate of guarantee from the school, proving that you are a full-time student there.

What is the deadline for applying for financial assistance for the current year?

You have 60 days from the end of the last month of your recognized studies to apply for financial assistance. This means you can apply after you have started your studies and will receive retroactive pay.

How are the loan and bursary amounts to which I am entitled calculated?

Aide financière aux études takes the information you report into account and determines your financial needs, subtracting your required contribution to your education from your recognized expenses. Only total income earned between January 1 and December 31 of the calendar year ending during the relevant award year are considered in assessing your contribution. To get an idea of how much financial assistance could be awarded to you, use the Assessment Simulator

The financial assistance awarded to you is determined on the basis of your program type and level and on the number of months of your studies, starting from the calculated amount of your financial needs.

- If your financial needs are equal to or less than the amount of the loan that could be granted to you in a given award year, you will only receive a loan.
- If your financial needs are greater than the amount of the loan that could be granted to you in a given award year, you will receive a loan for that amount, plus a bursary that corresponds to the difference between the amount of your financial needs and the loan.

Allowance for Special Needs Program

You could receive financial assistance for various types of support that are needed to compensate for the effects of your disability and to pursue your studies at an educational institution (specialized services, para-transit and housing) or at home (material resources), if required in circumstances where no other program or body covers these needs.

How do I repay my loan?

The government stops paying the interest on your loans at the beginning of the month that follows the end of your studies. From that time on, you are responsible for these charges. However, at the same time, you can take advantage of the 6-month option, by which you are not required to make payments of the outstanding loan principal, and during which time loan interest is deferred. This is known as the partial exemption period.

During this 6-month period of time, you will need to choose one of the following **three options**:

1. Wait until the end of the 6-month period that follows the end of your full-time studies to make repayment arrangements with your financial institution.
2. Immediately sign a student loan debt repayment agreement (principal and interest) with your financial institution's student loan centre
3. Pay only the interest on your student loan debt each month, for the next six months.

Once the six months have passed, you will be responsible for making repayment arrangements with the officer in charge of your file at your financial institution.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS – STUDENTS GRADUATING IN 2010 AND BEYOND

The Minister shall award a Secondary School Diploma to students who earn at least 54 credits at the Secondary IV and V level. Among those credits, there must be at least 20 credits at the Secondary V level and:

<u>COURSE</u>	<u>LEVEL</u>
1. 4 credits MATHEMATICS	Secondary 4
2. 4 credits HISTORY OF QC & CANADA	Secondary 4
3. 4 credits <u>GENERAL SCIENCE</u> OR 6 credits <u>APPLIED GENERAL SCIENCE</u>	Secondary 4 *NEW*
4. 2 credits ARTS EDUCATION	Secondary 4 *NEW*
5. 6 credits ENGLISH	Secondary 5
6. 4 credits FRENCH	Secondary 5
7. 2 credits <u>ETHICS AND RELIGIOUS</u> <u>CULTURE OR PHYSICAL EDUCATION</u>	Secondary 5 *NEW*

CÉGEP GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

CÉGEP is an acronym referring to the Quebec public college system (Collège d'enseignement général et professionnel). To attend CÉGEP, you must have a Quebec Secondary School Diploma.

****PLEASE NOTE – TO QUALIFY FOR SOME CÉGEP PROGRAMS, CERTAIN MATH AND SCIENCE COURSES ARE PRE-REQUISITES.**

My Graduation Profile Regular & Enriched Programs

Name: _____ Grade: _____ Date: _____

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11
English 306	English 406	*English 506
French 306	French 404/406	*French 504/506
Math 306	*Math Cultural 404	Math Cultural 504
History & Citizenship 304	Science 406	Science 506
Science (App./Gen.) 306	*History & Citizenship 404	Contemporary World 502
Physical Education 302	*Science & Tech. 404/406	*Ethics 502
Arts option	Ethics 404	*Phys. Ed. & Health 502
P.O.P. 304	Phys. Ed. & Health 402	Financial Ed 502
	*Arts option	Arts option
	Elective credits	Elective credits
TOTAL CREDITS	N/A TOTAL CREDITS	TOTAL CREDITS

- 54 credits in total are required between Grades 10 & 11
- 20 credits must be in Grade 11
- * *Compulsory courses for graduation*

Sec. 4 total _____

+ _____

Sec. 5 total _____
