

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Your guide to full-time undergraduate studies at Waterloo.

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1 CHOOSE YOUR PROGRAM

Read through the program descriptions on pages 40-47 and write down the programs you're most interested in, along with which faculty the program is part of.

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ADMISSIONS TIP: If you're interested in a program where co-op is available and you're on the fence about whether to apply to the regular system of study or the co-op program, we encourage you to apply to co-op. If you decide co-op isn't for you, it's easier to drop co-op than join the co-op program later.

2 ORDER FACULTY BROCHURES

Download detailed faculty brochures that include information about the programs you're thinking about.

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3 REVIEW THE REQUIREMENTS

Refer to the admissions charts on pages 48-55 and highlight what the admissions requirements are for each program that interests you.

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APPLY ONLINE

Turn to page 58 to learn more about important dates and getting started. After reviewing that page, apply to Waterloo and our University Colleges (Renison or St. Jerome's University) through the Ontario Universities' Application Centre.

ouac.on.ca

MY OUAC ID:

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LOG IN TO QUEST

Quest is our student information system. You'll use Quest to complete your Admission Information Form (AIF), view your application status, and upload any documents we require as part of the application process. Look for an email from us with the subject line "Thank you for applying to Waterloo" for more information. And be sure to add myapplication@uwaterloo.ca and askus@uwaterloo.ca to your contacts so you don't miss our emails!

MY WATERLOO USERNAME:

MY WATERLOO PASSWORD:

ADMISSIONS TIP: You might be wondering what the difference is between your student number and username. Your student number consists of eight digits, starting with a 2. Your username is a combination of your initials and last/family name up to eight characters. You'll use this to log into Waterloo websites and for your Waterloo email address.

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SEND US YOUR DOCUMENTS

In addition to your official transcripts, we may require other documentation (e.g., proof of English language instruction). Looking for more information on documents? Turn to page 58 for important dates and English language test scores.

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COMPLETE YOUR ADMISSION INFORMATION FORM

Some programs require an interview, portfolio, or other elements in addition to your Admission Information Form (AIF). Check the admission charts on pages 48-55 for details.

The AIF can seem a little daunting. What to say? Where to begin? Here are five tips for writing the best AIF:

- Don't overthink your answers. Go with your gut when responding to the questions.
- Answer the question that's asked.
- Be honest. Honesty and open communication are key values to Waterloo and are an important part of our admissions process.
- Don't write what you think admissions officers want to hear! They read thousands of AIFs each year and can tell when students aren't being genuine. Take the time to make your responses authentic.
- Proofread your work. Make a great impression on our admissions committees with an error-free AIF.

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CONTINUE TO GET TO KNOW US

To help pass the time, check out tips from Waterloo students about choosing a university program, admissions, and more!

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ADMISSIONS TIP: Start brainstorming things you'd like to include on the AIF, like leadership roles, volunteer work, awards, etc.

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