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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS 2021

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	REQUIRED COURSES – 12 U OR EQUIVALENT Minimum grade is 70% *indicates a minimum grade of 75%	MINIMUM CUMULATIVE COLLEGE AVERAGE NEEDED TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ADMISSION	TRANSFER CREDITS
APPLIED HEALTH SCIENCES	Grade 12 U/M required courses must be completed within the last five years.		
	Health Studies Regular/Co-op	Biology 12 U, Chemistry 12 U, any 12 U English, any 12 U Math	One year of college: 80%; Two or more years of college: 78%
	Kinesiology Regular/Co-op	Advanced Functions, Chemistry 12 U, one of Biology 12 U or Physics 12 U, any 12 U English	Minimum average: 80%
	Public Health Regular/Co-op	Any 12 U English*, any 12 U Math	One year of college: 80%; Two or more years of college: 78%
	Recreation and Leisure Studies† Regular/Co-op	Any 12 U English	One year of college: 80%; Two or more years of college: 75%
ARTS	Accounting and Financial Management Co-op	Any 12 U English*, Advanced Functions*, Calculus and Vectors*; Accounting and Financial Management Admissions Assessment	Individual consideration from the mid-80s with strong grades from high school.
	Global Business and Digital Arts Regular	Any 12 U English*	One year of college: case-by-case basis; Two or more years of college: 80%
	Honours Arts† (University of Waterloo, St. Jerome's University, Renison University College) Regular/Co-op	Any 12 U English	Minimum average: 75%
	Honours Arts and Business (After applying, you may choose to co-register through Renison or St. Jerome's) Regular/Co-op	Any 12 U English	Minimum average: 75%
	Social Development Studies (Renison University College) Regular	Any 12 U English	Minimum average: 75%
ENGINEERING	Grade 12 U /M required courses must be completed within the last three years.		
	Architecture Co-op	Advanced Functions, Calculus and Vectors, English (ENG4U)*, Physics 12 U; Admission Information Form required	High school: Individual selection from the mid-80s; College: Strong cumulative average
	Architectural Engineering Co-op		High school: Individual selection from the mid- to high 80s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Biomedical Engineering Co-op		High school: Individual selection from the low to mid-90s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Chemical Engineering Co-op		High school: Individual selection from the mid- to high 80s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Civil Engineering Co-op		High school: Individual selection from the mid- to high 80s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Computer Engineering Co-op		High school: Individual selection from the high 80s to low 90s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Electrical Engineering Co-op	Advanced Functions, Calculus and Vectors, Chemistry 12 U, English (ENG4U), Physics 12 U. Admission Information Form required.	High school: Individual selection from the high 80s to low 90s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Environmental Engineering Co-op	Online video interview required for scholarships and strongly recommended for admission to all programs.	High school: Individual selection from the mid- to high 80s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Geological Engineering Co-op		High school: Individual selection from the mid- to high 80s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Management Engineering Co-op		High school: Individual selection from the mid- to high 80s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Mechanical Engineering Co-op		High school: Individual selection from the high 80s to low 90s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Mechatronics Engineering Co-op		High school: Individual selection from the high 80s to low 90s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Nanotechnology Engineering Co-op		High school: Individual selection from the mid- to high 80s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Systems Design Engineering Co-op		High school: Individual selection from the high 80s to low 90s; College: Minimum average 75%
	Software Engineering Co-op	Advanced Functions, Calculus and Vectors, Chemistry 12 U, English (ENG4U), Physics 12 U. Admission Information Form required. Online video interview required for scholarships and strongly recommended for admission.	High school: Individual selection from the low to mid-90s; College: Minimum average 75%. Experience in developing well-structured modular programs.

Notes:

† These programs have a pathway agreement.

For most programs, both high school and college grades will be taken into consideration when making an admission decision.

If you are enrolled in an applied degree program at college, please contact myapplication@uwaterloo.ca for admission and transfer credit information. Applicants who receive 4.0 units of transfer credit (the equivalent of eight half-credit courses) are normally not admissible to a co-op program. Please contact myapplication@uwaterloo.ca to see if your case is an exception.

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ENVIRONMENT	Environment and Business Co-op	Any 12 U English	One year of college: case-by-case basis; Two or more years of college: 78%	
	Environment, Resources and Sustainability Regular/Co-op	Any 12 U English	A maximum of 5.0 units (10 courses) may be awarded.	
	Geography and Aviation Regular	English (ENG4U), any 12 U Math		
	Geography and Environmental Management Regular/Co-op	Any 12 U English		
	Geomatics Regular/Co-op	Any 12 U English, any 12 U Math	One year of college: 80%; Two or more years of college: 75%	
	International Development Regular	Any 12 U English	A maximum of 10.0 units (20 courses) may be awarded.	
MATHEMATICS	Knowledge Integration Regular	Any 12 U English*, any 12 U Science*, any 12 U Math*	One year of college: 85%; Two or more years of college: 80%	
	Planning Co-op	Any 12 U English*	A maximum of 5.0 units (10 courses) may be awarded.	
	Grade 12 U /M required courses must be completed within the last three years.			
SCIENCE	Computer Science Regular/Co-op	Advanced Functions, Calculus and Vectors, any 12 U English, and one other 12 U course; Admission Information Form required	Admission is extremely competitive with very few spots (if any) expected to be available for transfer students. Students interested in transferring should have outstanding grades, especially in mathematics and computer science courses. Admission assessments are performed on a case-by-case basis.	
	Mathematics Regular/Co-op		A maximum of 10.0 units (20 courses) may be awarded.	
	Mathematics/Business Administration Regular/Co-op	Advanced Functions, Calculus and Vectors, any 12 U English, and one other 12 U course; Admission Information Form required	High school: Individual selection from the high 80s; College: Minimum average of 85%.	
SCIENCE	Biotechnology/Chartered Professional Accountancy Co-op		Minimum average: 90% with strong grades from high school	
	Biotechnology/Economics Co-op		Minimum average: 85% with strong grades from high school	
	Environmental Science Regular/Co-op	Advanced Functions, Calculus and Vectors, English (ENG4U), Two of: Biology 12 U, Chemistry 12 U, Physics 12 U, Earth and Space Science 12 U, or Mathematics of Data Management 12 U		A maximum of 10.0 units (20 courses plus applicable labs) may be awarded.
	Honours Science† Regular			
	Life Sciences† Regular/Co-op			
	Physical Sciences Regular/Co-op		Minimum average: 75%	
	Science and Aviation Regular			A maximum of 5.0 units (10 courses) may be awarded.
	Science and Business Regular/Co-op			A maximum of 10.0 units (20 courses plus applicable labs) may be awarded.
	PROGRAMS REQUIRING UNIVERSITY COURSES			
	Optometry Regular uwaterloo.ca/future/optometry	At least three full years of university-level science with specific course requirements	Minimum overall university average: 75%	College courses are not transferable to the Doctor of Optometry (OD) program.
Pharmacy Co-op uwaterloo.ca/future/pharmacy	At least two full years of university-level science with specific course requirements	Minimum overall university average: 75%	College courses are not transferable to the Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program.	
Social Work (Renison University College) Regular uwaterloo.ca/future/bsw	Undergraduate university degree with a minimum six units in the social sciences, including 10 specified courses from the Renison curriculum or equivalents	Minimum overall university average: 70%	College courses are not transferable to the Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) program.	

CONDITIONAL ADMISSION TO SOCIAL WORK

Minimum 75% overall average in Social Service Worker diploma; résumé; references; personal statement. Social Service Worker diploma graduates (or equivalent) can apply directly to Social Work and may qualify for admission to the program conditional upon completion of the 3-year general degree in Social Development Studies, overall average 70% (including 75% overall average in specific required courses). uwaterloo.ca/future-students/pathways

TRANSFER CHECKLIST

STEP 1

Visit uwaterloo.ca/future/admissions to review the admission requirements for your program. Not sure how your college credits stack up? Contact us at myapplication@uwaterloo.ca and we'll review your college courses for 12 U equivalents.

STEP 2

Apply online through the Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC) at www.ouac.on.ca by February 1, 2021 using the 105 application.

STEP 3

Arrange to have all your official documents, transcripts, and English language test results (if applicable) sent directly to us from the authorized institutions by our posted deadlines. Submit your AIF and tell us why you're a great fit for your chosen program or explain any special circumstances that may have impacted your grades. We'll review your application package in detail.

STEP 4

In order to receive transfer credits, we need to review the courses you've completed. Once you receive an offer of admission, we'll ask you to send your syllabi to myapplication@uwaterloo.ca.

STEP 5

Accept your offer of admission by Tuesday, June 1. Celebrate!

Looking for more details? Find additional information about each step online: uwaterloo.ca/future/transfer/apply

FAQ

WILL I RECEIVE CREDIT FOR MY COLLEGE COURSES?

All faculties require you to have a minimum final average of 70% in a college course to receive transfer credit (75% for Faculty of Science programs). More than 5,000 Ontario college courses are listed on the unofficial course transfer guide found at: ontransfer.ca.

DOES MY COLLEGE PROGRAM HAVE A PATHWAY AGREEMENT WITH WATERLOO?

You can review the admissions chart inside to see if the program you're interested in has a pathway agreement in place. To find out if a program you've already completed has an agreement, visit our Transfer Guide at uwaterloo.ca/future/transfer.



NO AGREEMENT? NO PROBLEM! MORE THAN 90%

of incoming Waterloo transfer students transfer without a pathway agreement.