

Suggested Standard Wording for College and Program Admission Requirements

The following information is provided as a guideline and terms of reference for the development of admissions requirements for new programs. For brevity, it includes examples of the most frequently used subject specific and specialty admission assessment requirements; where other requirements are being suggested, please consult the Registrar's Office. Guidelines and links are also included to explain some MCU binding admission policies and highlight recommendations that will assist in equitable assessment of admission requirements to all applicants.

Important Notes for Developing Eligibility:

As per the [Algonquin College Admissions Policy AA04](#), applicant selection criteria shall be objective, measurable and relevant to the program. Subjective assessments are not acceptable; admissions criteria requiring subject-matter expert review (e.g.: portfolio) must have pre-established criteria evaluating specific technical skills. Interviews or mandatory college visits may not be used as assessment tools.

As per the [Admissions Criteria Minister's Binding Policy Directive](#), no secondary school university preparation course (U-level courses) or Ontario Academic Course (OAC) shall be required as a program eligibility criterion with two exceptions:

1. Collaborative college-university degree programs governed by joint agreements are not subject to the restrictions on use of secondary school university preparation or Ontario Academic Courses, where those requirements are specifically stated in the agreement.
2. The College bachelor's degrees are not subject to the restrictions on use of secondary school university preparation or Ontario Academic Courses.

If work experience or volunteer hours are required, please be specific on the format of submission of proof of attainment. Rationale for the inclusion of this experience requirement is expected.

Police Records Check Documentation/Requirements should not be included as Admission Requirements, these are placement requirements. This information should be listed in Additional Information.

Clinical Placement Eligibility should not be included as Admission Requirements, these are placement requirements. This information should be listed in Additional Information.

If an applicant does not have the subject specific requirements, the Test Centre can test for Grade 12 College level English and Math competency and Grade 11 Math (MBF3C) competency. It cannot provide a test to assess for U level courses or any science courses.

Programs with an expected high demand: Should the number of qualified applicants exceed the number of available places, applicants will be selected on the basis of their proficiency in the required subject specific course(s) [for example, English and Mathematics, etc] or on the basis of their supplemental requirement [for example, HPAT score].

Programs with mandatory portfolios or eligibility packages must work with the Registrar's Office to ensure the supplemental requirements have been formalized before the application cycle is open to applications. Detailed rubrics must be submitted.

English Language Requirements:

| Credential | IELTS Score | TOEFL Score | Duolingo (DET) |
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| 1-year Certificate | Overall 6.0 (no band less than 5.5) | Total 80 (no score below 20) | Overall 105, minimums of 105 in Literacy and 85 in Production |
| 2-year Diploma | Overall 6.0 (no band less than 5.5) | Total 80 (no score below 20) | Overall 105, minimums of 105 in Literacy and 85 in Production |
| 3-year Advanced Diploma | Overall 6.0 (no band less than 5.5) | Total 80 (no score below 20) | Overall 105, minimums of 105 in Literacy and 85 in Production |
| 4-year Degree | Overall 6.5 (no band less than 6.0) | Total 88 (no score below 22) | Overall 115, minimums of 115 in Literacy and 90 in Production |
| 1-year Graduate Certificate | Overall 6.5 (no band less than 6.0) | Total 88 (no score below 22) | Overall 115, minimums of 115 in Literacy and 90 in Production |
| 2-year Graduate Certificate | Overall 6.5 (no band less than 6.0) | Total 88 (no score below 22) | Overall 115, minimums of 115 in Literacy and 90 in Production |

| Credential | College Eligibility | Program Eligibility | International Documentation and English Requirements |
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| Ontario College Certificate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) or equivalent; OR Academic and Career Entrance (ACE) certificate; OR General Educational Development (GED) certificate; OR Mature Student status (19 years of age or older and without a high school diploma at the start of the program). Eligibility may be determined by academic achievement testing for which a fee will be charged. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [Required] English, Grade 12 (ENG4C or equivalent) <i>[Optional – some programs will require additional subject specific requirements] For example: Mathematics, Grade 11 (MBF3C or equivalent)</i> <i>[Optional]</i> If there is a minimum grade requirement, the standard formatting is: Mathematics, Grade 12 (MAP4C or equivalent) with a grade of 65% or higher <i>[Optional]</i> Specialty Testing Requirements: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicants with international transcripts must provide proof of the subject specific requirements noted above and may be required to provide proof of English language proficiency. Domestic applicants with international transcripts must be evaluated through the International Credential Assessment Service of Canada (ICAS) or World Education Services (WES). IELTS-International English Language Testing Service- Overall band of 6.0 with a minimum of 5.5 in each band; OR TOEFL-Internet-based (iBT)-overall 80, with the |

| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>[Example: HPAT]</i> All applicants must complete an assessment of their knowledge and skills through the Test Centre, and pay an exam fee. Results from the Algonquin College Health Program Admissions Test (AC-HPAT) will be utilized to establish minimum eligibility and applicant ranking. The AC-HPAT can only be written once per academic cycle. For further information on the HPAT and how to book your assessment, please visit Algonquin’s Test Centre. | <p>minimum of 20 in each component: Reading 20; Listening: 20, Speaking: 20, Writing: 20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duolingo (DET) - Overall 105, minimums of 105 in Literacy and 85 in Production |
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| Ontario College Diploma | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) or equivalent; OR • Academic and Career Entrance (ACE) certificate; OR • General Educational Development (GED) certificate; OR • Mature Student status (19 years of age or older and without a high school diploma at the start of the program). Eligibility may be determined by academic achievement testing for which a fee will be charged. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [Required] English, Grade 12 (ENG4C or equivalent) • <i>[Optional – some programs will require additional subject specific requirements]</i> For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mathematics, Grade 12 (MAP4C equivalent) ○ Mathematics, Grade 11 (MBF3C or equivalent) ○ Biology, Grade 11 or 12 ○ Chemistry, Grade 11 or 12 • <i>[Optional]</i> If there is a minimum grade requirement, the standard formatting is: Mathematics, Grade 12 (MAP4C or equivalent) with a grade of 65% or higher • <i>[Optional]</i> Specialty Testing, Portfolio Requirements, or Other Requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>[Example: HPAT]</i> All applicants must complete an assessment of their knowledge and skills through the Test Centre, and pay an exam fee. Results from the Algonquin College Health Program Admissions Test (AC-HPAT) will be utilized to establish | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants with international transcripts must provide proof of the subject specific requirements noted above and may be required to provide proof of English language proficiency. Domestic applicants with international transcripts must be evaluated through the International Credential Assessment Service of Canada (ICAS) or World Education Services (WES). • IELTS-International English Language Testing Service- Overall band of 6.0 with a minimum of 5.5 in each band; OR • TOEFL-Internet-based (iBT)-overall 80, with the minimum of 20 in each component: Reading 20; Listening: 20, Speaking: 20, Writing: 20 • Duolingo (DET) - Overall 105, minimums of 105 in Literacy and 85 in Production |

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| Credential | College Eligibility | Program Eligibility | International Documentation and English Requirements |
| Ontario College Advanced Diploma | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) or equivalent; OR • Academic and Career Entrance (ACE) certificate; OR • General Educational Development (GED) certificate; OR • Mature Student status (19 years of age or older and without a high school diploma at the start of the program). Eligibility may be determined by academic achievement testing for which a fee will be charged. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [Required] English, Grade 12 (ENG4C or equivalent) • <i>[Optional – some programs will require additional subject specific requirements] For example:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mathematics, Grade 12 (MAP4C equivalent) ○ Mathematics, Grade 11 (MBF3C or equivalent) ○ Biology, Grade 11 or 12 ○ Chemistry, Grade 11 or 12 • <i>[Optional]</i> If there is a minimum grade requirement, the standard formatting is: Mathematics, Grade 12 (MAP4C or equivalent) with a grade of 65% or higher • <i>[Optional]</i> Specialty Testing, Portfolio Requirements, or Other Requirements: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants with international transcripts must provide proof of the subject specific requirements noted above and may be required to provide proof of English language proficiency. Domestic applicants with international transcripts must be evaluated through the International Credential Assessment Service of Canada (ICAS) or World Education Services (WES). • IELTS-International English Language Testing Service-Overall band of 6.0 with a minimum of 5.5 in each band; OR • TOEFL-Internet-based (iBT)-overall 80, with the minimum of 20 in each component: Reading 20; |

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| <p>Degree 4 Year</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) or equivalent. Mature students are applicants who have not achieved the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) or its equivalent, and who are at least 19 years of age on or before the commencement of the program in which they intend to enroll. Mature students applying for degree programs satisfy College Eligibility by having demonstrated academic abilities equivalent to those of Ontario high school graduates, verified by successful completion of at least one full-time term at the post-secondary level (minimum five courses taken concurrently in an academic program of study). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [Required] Six Grade 12 university (U) or university/college (M) courses (or equivalent) with a minimum [insert average required]% average including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One Grade 12 U English course, with a minimum [insert average]% <p><i>[Optional Examples] Additional specific courses:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One Grade 12 U Math course, with a minimum of [insert average]%. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One Grade 12 U Physics course, with a minimum of [insert average]%. [Required] Please note that mature students must meet the following subject-specific Program Eligibility requirements, either directly or through equivalencies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One Grade 12 U English course <i>[Optional Examples] If additional specific courses are identified above, they must be identified here for mature students as well.</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicants with international transcripts must provide proof of the subject specific requirements noted above and may be required to provide proof of English language proficiency. Domestic applicants with international transcripts must be evaluated through the International Credential Assessment Service of Canada (ICAS) or World Education Services (WES). IELTS-International English Language Testing Service- Overall band of 6.5 with a minimum of 6.0 in each band; OR TOEFL-Internet-based (iBT)-overall 88, with the minimum in each component: Reading 22; Listening: 22; Speaking: 22, Writing: 22 Duolingo (DET) - Overall 115, minimums of 115 in Literacy and 90 in Production |

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| Degree Pathways | N/A | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [Required] Graduates from a two-year Early Childhood Education Ontario College Diploma program with a minimum overall GPA of 2.7 (70%) will be eligible to enter into semester five (Year 3) of this four-year Bachelor of Early Learning and Community Development (Honours) degree. • <i>[Optional: Some programs will require the successful completion of bridging courses]:</i> Graduates from a two-year Early Childhood Education Ontario College Diploma program with a minimum overall GPA of 2.7 (70%), and who complete the required three degree-level bridging courses (PSY4122: Foundations of Social Development, FAM4234: Working with Adults, FAM4233: Legislation and Ethics in Family Services), with a minimum of a C (63%) in each course, are eligible to enter into semester five (Year 3) of this four-year Bachelor of Early Learning and Community Development (Honours) degree. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A |
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| Ontario College Graduate Certificate | N/A | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [Required] Ontario College Diploma, Ontario College Advanced Diploma, Degree or equivalent • <i>[Optional]</i> If the credential needs to be in a specific field(s), the first bullet would be formatted as follows: Ontario College Diploma, Ontario College Advanced Diploma or Degree or equivalent in the [business, technology, human, health, or social sciences] fields. • <i>[Optional, partial post-secondary and Eligibility Package]</i> If partial post-secondary will be considered, the following requirement should also be included: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants with international transcripts must provide proof of the subject specific requirements noted above and may be required to provide proof of English language proficiency. Domestic applicants with international transcripts must be evaluated through the International Credential Assessment Service of Canada (ICAS) or World Education Services (WES). • IELTS-International English Language Testing Service- Overall band of 6.5 with a minimum of 6.0 in each band; OR |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Applicants with partial post-secondary education (minimum two years full-time, in good academic standing) and relevant work experience may be considered for admission.○ These applicants will be assessed individually and will be required to complete an Eligibility Package.● Eligibility Package submission details can be found on the Algonquin College Additional Admission Requirements website: www.algonquincollege.com/admissionspackages | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● TOEFL-Internet-based (iBT)-overall 88, with the minimum in each component: Reading 22; Listening: 22; Speaking: 22; Writing: 22● Duolingo (DET) - Overall 115, minimums of 115 in Literacy and 90 in Production |
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