

York University Info Guide

Introduction:

York University is a public university located in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. There are 49,700 undergraduate students, including 11,000 international students from 178 countries, as well as 7,000 faculty and administrative staff. The student to faculty ratio is 1:16. The acceptance rate is 89%. Please note all prices within this guide are in Canadian Dollars (CAD).

Student Life:

Clubs: York offers over 350 extra-curricular activities for students to participate in! There are a variety of clubs, varying from science to medicine to law and politics.

Athletics: York offers over 450 intramural and competitive sports teams. Students have access to York's recreational facilities, which include: gyms, an indoor track, squash courts, swimming pools, tennis courts, ice rinks, and an indoor driving range. These sports teams compete with other local universities as well as internationally.

Greek Life: Unfortunately, sororities and fraternities are not given official designation by York, effective since 1990. However, York offers an alternative called "colleges."

Colleges:

York colleges are a place to study, hang out, and make friends in a more intimate setting. Each student is assigned a college based on their program of study or residence. There are 9 different colleges:

- Bethune: Sciences and Engineering
- Calumet: Health, Health Policy & Management, Psychology
- Founders: Liberal Arts & Professional Studies
- Glendon: French Studies
- McLaughlin: Public Policy
- New: Administrative Studies, Information Tech, Human Resources, Disaster Management
- Stong: Health, Nursing & Kinesiology

- Vanier: Liberal Arts & Professional Studies
- Winters: Arts, Media, Performance & Design

Mental Health + Wellness:

York offers many mental and physical health services, including, but not limited to:

- Psychology Clinic
- Counseling Services
- Appletree Medical Centre
- Centre for Aboriginal Students

Housing:

Housing is guaranteed to all first-year students who apply by the deadline.

Keele:

◦ Keele has 8 buildings that house approximately 250 students each. They offer traditional, 2-person, and 6-person residences. They also offer common shared bathrooms and private bathrooms. Most residences are co-ed, however, there are same-gendered floors available.

Glendon:

◦ Glendon offers two buildings with semi-private suites and self-contained community bathrooms. Most residences are co-ed, however, there are same-gendered floors available.

Rates (Keele + Glendon):

Rates range from \$7000-\$10 000 CAD for 8 months, depending on rooms.

Meal Plan:

Depending on what building you stay in, meal plans are required. For students who live in residences with kitchens, meal plans are optional.

York offers numerous fast-food restaurants including:

- Starbucks

- Tim Hortons
- Pizza Pizza
- Hero Burger
- Subway

York's 40+ restaurants serve food from different cuisines daily. There are also numerous dining options within a walking distance of campus.

Meal Plan	Cost (CAD)	Meal Plan Dollars
Bronze:	\$3750	\$3600
Silver	\$4250	\$4100
Gold	\$4750	\$4600
Platinum	\$5250	\$5100

Opportunities:

Global:

Summer Abroad Courses: York offers courses abroad in the summer. Courses are 4-6 weeks in length. The class sizes range from 15-25 students. The 2020 destinations and courses were:

- Greece - Modern Greek History
- China - Supply Chain Management
- Portugal - Visual Anthropology
- Germany - Berlin History
- Honduras - Animal Communication

Global Internships: These three-month non-credit global internships. To be considered, students must have a cumulative GPA of 6.0 (B) and must be senior full-time undergraduate students returning to York in the fall. Positions are unpaid, however, students selected will receive The York International Internship Award, providing a bursary of \$3000. York currently has Global Internship Agreements with 40 organizations in 25 different countries.

Global Exchange: York offers a global exchange program with 120+ partner institutions. To apply, a 6.0 overall GPA is required. Students can apply to exchange for one semester, or two semesters (one full academic year.) Students may be eligible for up to \$1500 in funding to cover costs.

Locally:

Double Majors: York delivers a choice of over 100 major and minor degree options. York offers the opportunity to have a double major (and often in completely different career fields!)

Internships: York University offers numerous placements in a variety of fields, where students can integrate their classroom learning with hands-on, paid work experience. Internships typically last for 4, 8, or 12 months.

Location & Surrounding Area:

York has two campuses located in the Greater Toronto Area. They boast libraries, cinemas, studios, athletic facilities, and hundreds of lecture halls and classrooms. Students are welcome to take programs at each campus. Each campus has all amenities within walking distance of each other.

Downtown Toronto has an array of nightlife. There are restaurants, sightseeing, attractions, and special events to enjoy.

Keele Campus:

- Keele boasts five libraries, 92 buildings, athletic facilities, residences, a shopping mall, and outdoor green spaces.
- Keele is home to many research centers, including the Sherman Health sciences research center and the life sciences center.
- [Here is a map of the Keele campus.](#)

Glendon Campus:

- Only fully bilingual (French & English) integrated campus in Canada.
- Glendon is located minutes away from downtown Toronto. Students can enjoy the Toronto nightlife, boutiques, and restaurants.
- Students can access the Keele campus with a free shuttle provided.
- [Here is a map of the Glendon campus.](#)

Application + Selectivity:

Tuition:

Full-time tuition costs for most programs (5 courses + supplementary fees)

Domestic	International
\$7,037 - for most programs	\$32,416 - for most programs
\$9,934 - Design	\$30,263 - Design
\$9,619 - Business	\$33,875 - Business
\$9,567 - Commerce	\$34,537 - Commerce
\$9,567 - Computer Science	\$29,873 - Computer Science
\$12,626 - Engineering	\$37,243 - Engineering

Unique Features:

York has many notable distinctions, some of which include:

- York's film school is ranked first in Canada and is Canada's oldest film school.
- York's *Osgoode Hall Law School* is ranked fourth in Canada.
- York's *Schulich School Of Business* is ranked ninth in the world, and first in Canada.
- York's *School in Kinesiology and Health Science* is ranked fourth in Canada.

Application Info:

Students applying from within Ontario (OUAC):

Base application fee: \$150. January is usually the deadline for programs, however, some program deadlines maybe earlier. Each program has its own course requirements so be sure to check OUAC to adequately plan.

Students applying from elsewhere:

If you are applying from elsewhere, you can apply [directly](#) to York. The base application fee is \$130. Students can submit an application at any time.

All:

- Students may have to demonstrate a language proficiency test.
- Additional applications are required for the following programs:
 - Schulich School Of Business
 - Faculty Of Education
 - Social Work
 - School of Arts, Media, Performance & Design.
 - Lassonde School Of Engineering
- You may be required to submit:
 - A resume
 - A one- or two-page personal letter outlining your:
 - Reasons for wanting to pursue university studies.

- Future careers goals
- Skills & Activities that have prepared you for success at university, including work and volunteer experience, professional development activities, personal study, and interests.

Scholarships:

York Entrance Scholarship:

Bursary calculated based on average:

- 95% (42-45 IB Diploma Points): \$4000 (Able to be renewed for an additional 3 years.)

-90.94.9% (36-41 IB Diploma Points): \$2500

-85-89.9% (33-35 IB Diploma Points): \$1500

-80-84.9% (30-32 IB Diploma Points) - \$1000

There are many more scholarships, each with its own separate requirements (which can be viewed [here](#))

General Education Requirements While At York: The Cumulative Grade Point Average for all courses taken must be at least 5.0, with a Major GPA of 5.5. Students follow degree requirements based on years. Students must obtain at least 90-120 credits (depending on programs) to earn a diploma.

School Strengths:

York is known for its STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) program. York is also known for its liberal arts and theatre program.

List Of Undergraduate Majors:

York University offers over 120 undergraduate degree programs, offering 17-degree types.

Key Terms:

- BA - Bachelor Of Art
- BS/BSc - Bachelor Of Science
- BES - Bachelor Of Environmental Studies
- BHS - Bachelor Of Health Studies
- BScN - Bachelor Of Science In Nursing
- BEng - Bachelor Of Engineering
- BBA - Bachelor Of Business Administration
- BDEM - Bachelor Of Disaster & Emergency Management
- BHRM- Bachelor Of Human Resources Management
- BCom- Bachelor Of Commerce
- BFA- Bachelor Of Fine Arts
- BDes- Bachelor Of Design
- BEd- Bachelor Of Education
- iBA- International Bachelor Of Arts
- iBA Bilingual- International Bachelor Of Arts With Certificate Of Bilingualism
- iBA Trilingual - International Bachelor Of Arts With Certificate Of Trilingualism
- iBSc- International Bachelor Of Sciences

- Faculty Of Science
 - ☐ Actuarial Science - BA
 - ☐ Applied Mathematics - BA, BSc
 - ☐ Biochemistry - BSc
 - ☐ Biology - BSc, iBSc
 - ☐ Biomedical Science - BSc, iBSc

- ☐ Biophysics - BSc
- ☐ Biotechnology - BSc
- ☐ Chemistry - BSc
- ☐ Environmental Biology - BSc
- ☐ Environmental Science - BSc
- ☐ Geography - BSc
- ☐ Mathematical Biology - BSc
- ☐ Mathematics - BA, BSc
- ☐ Mathematics For Education - BA, BSc
- ☐ Neuroscience - BSc
- ☐ Physics And Astronomy - BSc
- ☐ Statistics - BA, BSc

- Faculty Of Environmental And Urban Change

- ☐ Ecosystem Management - BES
- ☐ Environmental Arts And Justice - BES
- ☐ Environmental Management And Technology - BES
- ☐ Environmental Studies - BES
- ☐ Geography - BA, iBA
- ☐ Global Geography - BA
- ☐ International Development - BES
- ☐ Sustainable Environmental Management - BES
- ☐ Urban Sustainability - BES

- Faculty Of Health

- ☐ Global Health - BA, BSc
- ☐ Health Studies - BHS
- ☐ Kinesiology And Health Science - BA, BSc
- ☐ Nursing - BScN
- ☐ Nursing: Post-RN For Internally Educated Nurses - BScN
- ☐ Nursing: Second-Entry - BScN

☐ Psychology - BA, BSc

- Lassonde School Of Engineering

- ☐ Civil Engineering - BEng
- ☐ Computer Engineering - BEng
- ☐ Computer Science - BA, iBA, BSc, iBSc
- ☐ Computer Security - BA, BSc
- ☐ Digital Media - BA
- ☐ Earth & Atmospheric Science - BSc
- ☐ Electrical Engineering - BEng
- ☐ Engineering & International Development Studies - BA, BEng
- ☐ Geomatics Engineering - BEng
- ☐ Mechanical Engineering - BEng
- ☐ Software Engineering - BEng
- ☐ Space Engineering - BEng

- Schulich School Of Business

- ☐ Business Administration - BBA, iBBA

- Osgoode Hall Law School

- ☐ Law - Juris Doctor

- Faculty Of Liberal Arts And Professional Studies

- ☐ African Studies - BA
- ☐ Anthropology - BA, iBA
- ☐ Business & Society - BA
- ☐ Business Economics - BA
- ☐ Children, Childhood, and Youth - BA
- ☐ Classical Studies/Classics - BA
- ☐ Cognitive Science - BA
- ☐ Commerce - BCom

- ☐ Communication Studies - BA, iBA
- ☐ Creative Writing - BA
- ☐ Criminology - BA
- ☐ Disaster & Emergency Management - BDEM
- ☐ East Asian Studies - BA
- ☐ Economics - BA
- ☐ English - BA
- ☐ English & Professional Writing - BA
- ☐ Financial & Business Economics - BA
- ☐ French Studies - BA, iBA
- ☐ Gender & Women Studies - BA
- ☐ German Studies - BA, iBA
- ☐ Global Political Studies - BA
- ☐ Health & Society - BA
- ☐ Hellenic Studies - BA
- ☐ History - BA, iBA
- ☐ Human Resources Management - BHRM
- ☐ Human Rights & Equity Studies - BA
- ☐ Humanities - BA, iBA
- ☐ Indigenous Studies - BA
- ☐ Individualized Studies - BA
- ☐ Informational Technology - BA, Bcom
- ☐ Interdisciplinary Social Science - BA
- ☐ International Development Studies - BA
- ☐ Italian Studies - BA, iBA
- ☐ Jewish Studies - BA
- ☐ Law & Society - BA
- ☐ Linguistics - BA
- ☐ Philosophy - BA
- ☐ Political Science - BA, iBA
- ☐ Portugese & Luso-Brazilian Studies - BA

- ☐ Professional Writing - BA
- ☐ Public Administration - BPA
- ☐ Religious Studies - BA
- ☐ Sexuality Studies - BA, iBA
- ☐ Social Work - BSW
- ☐ Sociology - BA
- ☐ Spanish - BA
- ☐ Speech & Language Studies - BA
- ☐ Urban Studies - BA, iBA
- ☐ Work & Labour Studies - BA

- Faculty Of Education

- ☐ Bachelor Of Education - BEd
- ☐ Bachelor Of Education (French) - BEd
- ☐ Educational Studies - BA

- School Of The Arts, Media, Performance & Design

- ☐ Art History - BA
- ☐ Cinema & Media Studies - BA
- ☐ Dance - BFA
- ☐ Design - BDes
- ☐ Digital Media - BA
- ☐ Film Production - BFA
- ☐ Media Arts - BFA
- ☐ Music - BA, BFA
- ☐ Screenwriting - BFA
- ☐ Theatre - BA, BFA
- ☐ Visual Arts - BFA

- Glendon (Bilingual Degree Programs)

Courses are offered in both English and french.

- ☐ Biology - BSc
- ☐ Business Economics - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ Canadian Studies - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ Communications - BA
- ☐ Drama & Creative Arts - BA, iBA
- ☐ Economics - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ English Studies - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ French Studies - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ Gender & Women Studies - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ History - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ International Studies & Business Administration - iBA, BBA
- ☐ International Studies - BA
- ☐ Linguistics & Language Studies - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ Philosophy - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ Political Science - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ Psychology - BA, BSc, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual, iBSc Bilingual, iBSc Trilingual
- ☐ Sexuality Studies - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ Sociology - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ Spanish Studies - BA, iBA Bilingual, iBA Trilingual
- ☐ Translation - BA

Sources:

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