RED, WHITE, AND POLITE 🍁

STUDYING IN CANADA

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STUDY IN CANADA

TOP TEN THINGS TO KNOW

ADMISSIONS OVERVIEW

GREAT VALUE

PANELISTS
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Whitney Laughlin, Education Consultant
#1 RECOGNIZED DEGREES
RECOGNIZED WORLDWIDE FOR EXCELLENCE

2.8% OF GDP ON POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

MILLIONS + ALUMNI AROUND THE WORLD

3 UNIVERSITIES GLOBALLY RANKED IN TOP 40
#2: ENTIRELY PUBLIC SYSTEM = STANDARDS

70 UNIVERSITIES IN THE COUNTRY
WHAT NAME DO CANADIANS HAVE FOR THIS COIN?

A) Loonie
B) Dollar
C) Buck
D) Shilling
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The Common Loon
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<th>Year</th>
<th>2008</th>
<th>2013</th>
<th>2021</th>
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<td>Count</td>
<td>119,000</td>
<td>222,000</td>
<td>450,000</td>
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#3: GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE CLOSE TO HOME

MORE AND MORE AMERICANS ARE CHOOSING CANADA
THE ECONOMIST MAGAZINE RATES CANADA AS A TOP TEN COUNTRY
FOR HEALTH, SAFETY, RESPECT AND A PROSPEROUS FUTURE (QLI INDEX)
WHAT PERCENT OF THE WORLD’S LAKES ARE IN CANADA?

A) 12%
B) 34%
C) 47%
D) 60%
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#5 CAREER EXPERIENCE
DURING AND AFTER YOUR DEGREE STUDIES

90% CO-OP GRADS RECIEVE OFFER IN 1 MONTH*

20 HOURS OF PART TIME WORK PER WEEK

3 YEARS WORKING IN CANADA AFTER GRADUATION
#6 EXCELLENT ALUMNI
#7 FLEXIBLE DEGREES

Apply to a school (or faculty) at application – but majors declared in second year.

University of Victoria
#8 RIGOROUS PROGRAMS

STANDARDIZED CANADIAN EDUCATION – MOST STUDENTS START AT SAME HIGH LEVEL
HOW MANY OFFICIAL TIME ZONES DOES CANADA HAVE?

A) FOUR
B) FIVE
C) SIX
D) SEVEN
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C) SIX  
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“Catch it on CBC Monday night, at 7:00 PM, 7:30 Newfoundland”
#9 ADMISSIONS – ACADEMICS CRITICAL

STANDARDIZED CANADIAN EDUCATION – ENSURES ALL STUDENTS AT SAME LEVEL

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR, ESPECIALLY RECENT RESULTS

SUPPLEMENTARY INFO MAY BE REQUIRED

(I.E. PERSONAL PROFILE, VIDEO INTERVIEW, PORTFOLIO)

RECOMMENDATION LETTERS, ESSAYS

TYPICALLY NOT REQUIRED
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CANADIAN UNIVERSITIES SURVEYED

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<th>LOCATION</th>
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<td>Concordia University</td>
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Surveyed conducted March 2016, applicable for the 2016/17 academic year
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Does your application require an Essay?

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<th>No or Only for select programs</th>
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<td>10 % (UBC)</td>
<td>90 %</td>
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Does your university require SAT scores for US Secondary School students?

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Does your university require a reference letter?

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<td>0 %</td>
<td>100 %</td>
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When calculating a student's academic average, what courses & grades do you consider?

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<th>ALL COURSES in GRADES 9 - 12</th>
<th>EMPHASIS ON ACADEMIC COURSES IN GR 11 &amp; 12</th>
<th>ONLY ACADEMIC COURSES IN GRADE 12</th>
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#9 ADMISSIONS – SAME TIMELINES AS US

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<th>MONTH</th>
<th>Description</th>
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| SEP - DEC   | APPLY ONLINE
             W/ EXCEPTION OF ONTARIO SCHOOL – ALL APPLY DIRECTLY THROUGH UNIVERSITY’S INDIVIDUAL WEBSITE |
| DEC - FEB   | SUBMIT TRANSCRIPTS & TEST SCORES
             IN SOME CASES UNIVERSITIES WILL REQUIRE 1<sup>st</sup> SEMESTER SENIOR YEAR |
| FEB - APR   | EVALUATIONS & DECISIONS
             MAJORITY OF UNIVERSITIES OPERATE ON ROLLING DECISION |

*NO CANADIAN UNIVERSITY IS COMMON APPLICATION*
## #9 ADMISSIONS – SAME TIMELINES AS US

### When is your application deadline to apply?

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<th>Deadline BEFORE January 1</th>
<th>Deadline in January</th>
<th>Deadline in February</th>
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### When do the majority of your US secondary students receive their decision?

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<th>DECEMBER</th>
<th>JANUARY – FEBRUARY</th>
<th>FEBRUARY - MARCH</th>
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<td>70 %</td>
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Which of the following is **NOT** a Canadian invention

A) BASKETBALL
B) TIME
C) THE TELEPHONE
D) DOUGHNUTS
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#10 INCREDIBLE VALUE

COST FOR ONE YEAR

CANADIAN UNIVERSITY AVERAGE* – 2015

$18,000 USD + $14,000 USD = $32,000 USD TOTAL

*COST OF LIVING

*COURSES

*TUITION VARIES SIGNIFICANTLY BY UNIVERSITY AND PROGRAM
What will tuition be for an US international student for a bachelor of arts degree in 2016/17?

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<th>CAD $15,000 – 19,000</th>
<th>CAD $20,000 – 24,000</th>
<th>CAD $25,000 – 29,000</th>
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<td>UBC $30K / US$22K</td>
<td>UofT $42K / US$32K</td>
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**US DOLLAR$ (top of range)**

| $14,500                        | $18,500               | $22,000               | $30,500               |

Is there an application required for international student merit based awards?

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<th>YES</th>
<th>NO – Students are automatically considered for merit based awards</th>
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<td>10 %</td>
<td>80 %</td>
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Canadian Universities Surveyed:
AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

MERIT AWARDS
GENERALLY AVAILABLE

NEED-BASED AWARDS
VARIES BY INSTITUTION

MOST CANADIAN UNIVERSITIES ACCEPT FAFSA STUDENT LOANS – BUT NOT PELL GRANTS
QUESTIONS

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