



2027–2028

Indigenous Viewbook

*Boozhoo, She:kon, Tunngasuigit,
Tawnshi, Kwe, Welcome!*



Centre for Indigenous Student Services (CISS)

CISS provides a communal space that meets the needs of our diverse Indigenous students and community. Our staff are committed to the success of 350+ self-identified Indigenous learners at York University. go.yorku.ca/ciss-indg

Keep in Touch

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Support & Belonging

Cultural, Academic & Personal Development Workshops

Build skills, confidence and community through year-round workshops that support Indigenous student success. Students can take part in hands-on cultural learning, academic skill-building and personal development opportunities rooted in Indigenous teachings, traditions and community knowledge.

Indigenous Student Support Specialist

Navigate university life with personalized guidance, meaningful community connections and culturally grounded support. Rooted in care, belonging and Indigenous ways of knowing, the Indigenous Student Support Specialist helps students access academic, wellness, cultural and campus resources so they can move forward with confidence.

Visiting Elders Program

Connect with Elders and Traditional Knowledge Keepers through culturally grounded opportunities to learn, reflect and build community. Students can take part in sharing circles, one-on-one visits, informal drop-ins and ceremonies guided by Indigenous teachings, wisdom and protocols.



Student Resources

- Elders / Traditional Knowledge Keepers
- Peer support
- Advocacy
- Cultural workshops
- Writing support
- Library research consultations
- Referrals to community resources
- Financial assistance information

Indigenous Student Success

We believe Indigenous student success is achieved by living in balance with one's spiritual, emotional, physical and mental realities.

Skennen'kó:wa Gamig

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Located on York University's Keele Campus, Skennen'kó:wa Gamig (House of Great Peace) is a renovated log cabin that offers a welcoming space for Indigenous students, staff and faculty to gather, connect, study and take part in culturally grounded programming.



Indigenous Student Association at York

The Indigenous Student Association at York (ISAY) creates space for Indigenous students to build community, celebrate culture and strengthen connections. Through advocacy, cultural programming, social events and outreach, ISAY fosters belonging while creating opportunities to learn from diverse Indigenous teachings, traditions and experiences. Past initiatives have included cultural workshops, storytelling and sharing circles, and awareness programs.



Scan the QR code to follow ISAY on Instagram



Osgoode Indigenous Students' Association

The Osgoode Indigenous Students' Association (OISA) is an Indigenous law-student group that supports community-building, advocacy, peer connection and culturally grounded learning. Through events, forums, student-led initiatives and relationships with Indigenous communities, OISA helps raise awareness of Indigenous legal issues, strengthen Indigenous representation at Osgoode and promote cultural competence among future legal professionals.



Scan the QR code to follow OISA on Instagram



"I have used the Centre for Indigenous Student Services (CISS) and its resources to help build my relationship with my culture. As someone who grew up really involved and immersed in their culture... it has really helped me feel connected at times when I can't show up for my own community ceremonies or events."

Sophie Chrisjohn-Weiler (she/her), English '25

go.yorku.ca/sophie-indg

Your Partners in Success

Caring student peers, advisors and staff empower you to be your best self with a wealth of resources designed to support your academic, social, physical and mental well-being.

✓ Build Your Academic Confidence

Get support with writing, studying, time management and more. Whether you're adjusting to university or returning as a mature student, these services can help you succeed.

- Student Accessibility Services
- Writing Centre
- Libraries (including Indigenous Teaching & Learning Librarian)
- Academic Advising

➤ Transition and Thrive

Start strong with services that support your transition into university life. These supports are also here for you as your needs grow and change.

- Atkinson Centre for Mature & Part-time Students (ACMAPS)
- York University Mature Students Organization (YUMSO)
- Centre for Student Community & Leadership Development (SCLD)
- Career Centre

✕ Support Your Whole Self

Your wellness is essential for effective learning and personal success. Build your sense of community, health and well-being.

- Athletics & Recreation
- Student Counselling, Health & Well-being
- Childcare Services (Lee Wiggins Childcare Centre and York University Cooperative Daycare Centre)

To learn more, visit go.yorku.ca/services-indg.

Launch Your Career

York University's Co-op & Career Centre is here to support you in developing the skills, experience and connections you need to graduate with confidence.

70%
of programs
offer a paid
co-op option



10,000+
employers recruit
from our campuses
annually



2,200+
on-campus jobs that
allow you to work and
study at the same time



Last Year:

30,600+

opportunities were shared with York students and grads on our exclusive job board.*

* Inclusive of co-op, placements, practica, work/study, contract/casual and new grad opportunities.



Scholarships and Awards

York awards more than \$24 million in entrance scholarships and awards each year. Eligibility varies from academic achievement to specific criteria. Search the awards database to determine additional funding for which you may be eligible at go.yorku.ca/scholarships-indg. Use keywords, such as your city/region, ancestry, community involvement and academic interests.

Award Name & Type	Consideration Criteria (Complete criteria at go.yorku.ca/scholarships-indg)	Minimum Average	Value of Award
Alpha Foundation Bursary 🇨🇦 ✓ 📄	- First Nations heritage - Resident of Ontario - Demonstrated community volunteerism	None	\$1,500
Bennett Family Award for Black and Indigenous Students 🇨🇦 ✓ 📄	- Indigenous ancestry - Resident of Ontario	75%	\$30,000* (\$7,500 x 4 years)
Governor's Awards of Distinction 🇨🇦 📄 Shortlisted candidates are also considered for Awards of Achievement	Accomplishments in community service, leadership, the arts or sports	90%	\$32,000* (\$8,000 x 4 years) plus cost of residence in first year
Harry W. Arthurs Alumni Families Entrance Scholarship 📄	- Accomplishments in community service, leadership, the arts or sports - Must be the child, sibling or grandchild of a York graduate	90%	\$24,000* (\$6,000 x 4 years)
Indigenous Student Bursary 🇨🇦 ✓ 📄	- Indigenous ancestry - Resident of Ontario	None	Varies with number of applicants
Métis Nation of Ontario Student Bursary 🇨🇦 ✓	- Resident of Ontario - Verified Métis citizens of the Métis Nation of Ontario	None	\$1,400
York University President's Scholarship 🇨🇦	- Automatically awarded to high school applicants (domestic and international) with the highest admission average in their Faculty at the time of assessment - No application required	None	\$33,600* (\$8,400 x 4 years)
York University Renewable Entrance Athletic Scholarship	Inquire with the head coach of your intended interuniversity team	80%	Up to \$25,000* (\$1,000–\$5,000 x 5 years)

- 🇨🇦 Must be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident or protected person.
- ✓ Must demonstrate financial need.
- 📄 Application required: details at go.yorku.ca/scholarships-indg.

* Indicates that the award or scholarship is renewable for an additional three years of full-time undergraduate study, as long as you maintain high academic standing each year.

Indspire Scholarships

Indspire supports Indigenous students with funding for school costs. Apply by completing the post-secondary and bursary form on Indspire's website. go.yorku.ca/indspire-indg

How to Apply

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Understand Your Application Requirements

Visit go.yorku.ca/apply-indg to find admission requirements for your program of interest.

To apply, you will need:

- ✓ Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD);
- ✓ Six 4U/4M courses, including ENG4U or FRA4U;
- ✓ All applicable program-specific requirements;
- ✓ A supplementary application (if required for the program); and
- ✓ A proof of language proficiency (if required).

To see if you meet English proficiency requirements, visit go.yorku.ca/lang2027-indg.

Meeting the minimum requirements or admission average ranges listed online or within University publications is not a guarantee of admission go.yorku.ca/disclaimer-indg.

Are You Applying as an Out-of-Province, Transfer or Mature Student?

Visit go.yorku.ca/requirements-indg for your specific admission requirements.

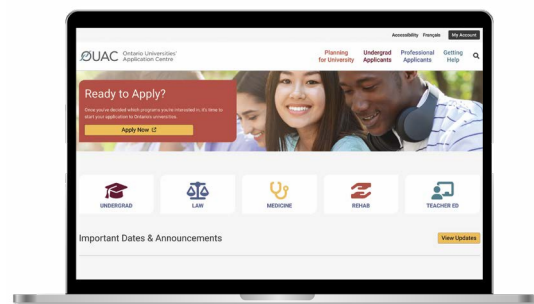
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Submit Your Application

Submit your application through the Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC) at ouac.on.ca.

Applicants from outside of Ontario or with previous post-secondary education may apply directly via the York University application for most programs.

Visit go.yorku.ca/apply-indg for details.



Stay on Track



OCTOBER – NOVEMBER '26

Be on the lookout for recruitment events offered by the Aboriginal Post-Secondary Information Program (APSIP).

www.apsip.ca

Join us for Fall Open House:

October 24, 2026 (Keele Campus)

October 25, 2026 (Glendon Campus)

October 25, 2026 (Markham Campus)

Learn about our exciting programs, and how to start your application.

go.yorku.ca/foh-indg

Open House
at York University

DECEMBER '26

Begin applying for York entrance awards and scholarships.

You do not need an offer of admission to apply. Scholarship deadlines vary but extend through April.

Find out more at

go.yorku.ca/scholarships-indg.

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Submit an Indigenous Application Information Form (Optional)

After you apply, we invite you to complete an additional information form, to receive important information on Indigenous programs, scholarships and bursaries as well as Indigenous community events and student services.

This form also allows York University Admissions, with guidance from the Indigenous Council, to take into consideration your lived experience when reviewing your application. While academic performance is the main criterion for admission consideration at York University, we understand that there may be other factors that you may wish to bring to our attention during the admissions assessment process.

Visit go.yorku.ca/indg-form for details.

Application Deadlines

Your application deadline depends on when you'd like to start and where you're applying from.

go.yorku.ca/deadlines-indg

Start Term at York	Application Deadline*
Winter 207 (January)	November 18, 2026
Summer 2027 (May)	April 1, 2027
Fall 2027 (September)	January 15, 2027 <i>(for Ontario high school applicants)</i>
	February 2, 2027 <i>(for out-of-province and transfer/mature applicants)</i>

* **Reminder:** some programs have additional supplementary application deadlines. Visit go.yorku.ca/deadlines-indg for details.

JANUARY – FEBRUARY '27

Get your application and supplementary evaluations in by the deadline!

Ontario secondary school applicants:

Apply by the OUAC application deadline, **January 15, 2027**, for guaranteed consideration to your top choice programs.

Submit your Supplementary Application or documentation

if required for your program.

Join us and meet the York community at our Virtual Applicant Receptions on **February 18 & 24, 2027**.

MARCH – APRIL '27

Come and say hello!

Join us for a campus tour, March Break visit or attend our Spring Open House to experience York and connect with the community.

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MAY – JUNE '27

Apply for guaranteed residence by **June 1, 2027** if you are an Ontario high school student and by **May 1, 2027** if you are an out-of-province high school student.

Attend an academic advising session with your Faculty Watch for details about your enrolment window to enrol in your first-year courses.

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Scan the QR code to receive information about York University programs, admission and events.

York University is thrilled to be the official university partner of the Toronto Raptors basketball team!

With this partnership, York students will have access to exclusive networking opportunities with the Toronto Raptors, one-of-a-kind experiences and other engagements.



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