

## PROVINCIAL DIALOGUE 2008

**ADMISSION UPDATE****TIMING OF FALL 2008 OFFERS**<http://admission.uoguelph.ca>

We have been generating offers of admission since February on the basis of both Grade 11 and Grade 12 marks. The cut-off for early offers was 80% or above for most programs. May offers are currently being made using only grade 12 marks, and we expect that the cut-off for most programs will be in the mid-70s.

While students are not required to respond to an offer of admission or scholarship until May 28, 2008, they may wish to accept the offer of admission earlier. The residence application deadline is also May 28.

For complete information on our admission procedures, and the specific requirements for application to various degree programs, please consult pages 66 to 71 of the Admission 2008 handbook, or the web site listed above.

**RESIDENCE ADMISSION 2008**[www.housing.uoguelph.ca](http://www.housing.uoguelph.ca)

Semester-one applicants entering the University of Guelph for the first time in September 2008 are guaranteed a space in one of 14 residence living environments, as long as the application and deposit for housing are received by Student Housing Services on or before the May 28 deadline by 4:30 p.m. Information on how to complete the online residence application is included with the offer of admission if the applicant indicated an interest in residence on the OUAC application form.

**TIMING AND BASIS OF ADMISSION OFFERS FOR 2009**

The basis and timing of offers of admission for Fall 2009 will be similar to Fall 2008.

**WHAT'S NEW?**

- Pending Senate approval:
  - Bachelor of Arts - Applied Mathematics and Statistics Co-op
  - Bachelor of Commerce - undeclared major (as an additional entry point)
  - Bachelor of Science - Plant Science major will replace Plant Biology and Plant Biotechnology
- Pending MTCU approval:
  - Bachelor of Engineering - Mechanical Engineering major (consistent admission requirements to other Engineering majors)
- The advanced level of the English Language Certificate Program offered through The Office of Open Learning at the University of Guelph now meets the University's undergraduate admission requirement for English Proficiency.
- Guaranteed admission to the Bachelor of Commerce program for students studying through the Office of Open Learning.
- The University of Guelph has launched its web-based "Zerofootprint" calculator (<http://zerofootprint.net/calculators/guelph>) - a cutting-edge tool that allows you to measure your ecological footprint and help reduce our collective impact on the environment.
- Guelph students will be committing more than \$6.4 M over 12 years toward energy conservation measures on campus.
- The International Barcode of Life (iBOL) project, which will be headquartered at U of G's Biodiversity Institute of Ontario, will create a revolutionary 'library of life' that will allow the rapid identification of any animal, plant fungus or protist.
- U of G Engineering students earned a top spot in an international design competition for their single-handed lever to operate a bicycle brake. It was inspired by a nine-year-old girl with a disabled hand.
- Our new \$144 M Science Complex is North America's largest integrated science facility for both teaching and research.
- Kate Smolina, a fourth-year biomedical sciences student, has won a prestigious Rhodes Scholarship to pursue graduate studies in global health science at the University of Oxford.
- GO transit now offers express bus routes between the U of G and Square One in Mississauga and the Cooksville GO station. GO has also extended its existing Highway 407 route that serves its Meadowvale and Bramalea GO stations to include the U of G.

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## COMMON ADMISSION QUESTIONS

<http://admission.uoguelph.ca/faq>

**Q: Where can students find the most up to date information on Guelph's admission process?**

**A:** It is recommended that students check the University of Guelph Admission Services web site.

**Q: Does it matter how Guelph is ranked on the OUAC application form?**

**A:** No, it does not affect admission, residence or scholarship offers. The order of choice on the university application form makes no difference for admission to Guelph unless a student is applying to more than one program at Guelph. In this case, Guelph considers the highest choice program first.

The only exception is the Bachelor of Landscape Architecture Program. This program gives preference to first and second choice applicants in the admissions process.

**Q: Will students receive more than one offer of admission if they apply to more than one program at Guelph?**

**A:** No, students can expect to receive only one offer of admission from Guelph. Their highest choice to Guelph would be considered first. Only in the event that a student is not admissible to their highest choice at Guelph would the next choice be considered. Students are therefore strongly advised to place their preferred program as their highest choice of Guelph programs. Students should have made these changes by April 1, 2008.

**Q: Are students automatically considered for alternate choice programs?**

**A:** Applicants not admitted to a co-op program based on admission average are automatically considered for admission to the regular program. Applicants not admitted to BA – Criminal Justice & Public Policy are automatically considered for admission to BA – Major to be Determined. Applicants not admitted to BSc – Bio-Medical Science are automatically considered for admission to BSc – Biological Science.

Otherwise, to be considered for an alternate choice program, students must list another choice on their OUAC application form.

**Q: By which date do students accepted for Fall 2008 have to respond to their offers of admission?**

**A:** Applicants admitted to the University of Guelph for Fall 2008 have until May 28, 2008 to respond to offers of admission, although they are encouraged to do so earlier if possible.

**Q: What is your policy on courses taken outside of regular day school?**

**A:** The University of Guelph considers U or M courses taken by correspondence or at summer or night school to be equivalent to U or M courses offered by regular day school.

**Q: How will students select courses for the Fall semester?**

**A:** Students will be sent information on selecting their courses on the web from the office of Undergraduate Program Services. This will occur after they have accepted their offer of admission, beginning in the middle of May. Counselling sessions will be available virtually and on campus.

**Q: How does Guelph evaluate repeated courses?**

**A:** For the Fall 2008 Admission cycle Guelph will be using the highest U or M grade reported for any repeated courses.

## CAMPUS TOURS

[www.uoguelph.ca/admissions/tours](http://www.uoguelph.ca/admissions/tours)

Available daily throughout the spring and summer from Monday-Saturday.

Call Marisa Phillips at 519.824.4120, ext. 58712

## FALL HIGH SCHOOL VISIT BOOKINGS

Call Wendy Cudmore at 519.824.4120, ext. 58713

## UNDERGRADUATE ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS

(Fall 2008 Entry)

[www.uoguelph.ca/studfin](http://www.uoguelph.ca/studfin)

519.824.4120, ext. 56032

Undergraduate entrance awards are based on admission average and program of study. To be eligible for entrance awards, a student must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident entering the first year of post-secondary studies for the first time. There are a limited number of awards available to international students. These awards do not require separate application. Scholarships that do require application are the President's Scholarships, Lincoln Alexander Chancellor's Scholarships, Registrar's Entrance Awards and Accessibility Awards. See pages 72 and 73 in the Admission 2008 handbook for more details.

## Entrance Scholarship Grid

Degree Program		
All Degree Programs	Admission Average	Award Amount
	85.0% - 89.9%	\$2,000
	90.0% and greater	\$3,000

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