

Over 18,000 offers of admission have already been mailed

and more offers will be sent on an ongoing basis as new grade information is received.

Conditional offers of admission were made in late February - early March to students who had a minimum of three final grades, and were enrolled in a total of at least six Grade 12U/M courses OR who had interim marks for a minimum of six grade 12U/M courses (including all program requirements), and met the admission averages as stated to the right.

Currently offers are being made on a minimum of six Grade 12U/M courses (including all program requirements).

All offers of admission have a response deadline of May 28, 2008.

| PROGRAM | ADMISSION AVERAGE |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Arts & Science* | Offers made in May by selection – 88% average minimum required for consideration |
| Business | 82% |
| Computer Science | 77% |
| Engineering | 80% |
| Environmental & Earth Sciences | 78% |
| Health Sciences* | Offers made in May by selection – 90% average minimum required for consideration |
| Humanities | 75% |
| Kinesiology | 85% |
| Life Sciences | 84% |
| Mathematics & Statistics | 78% |
| Medical Radiation Sciences | 84% |
| Midwifery | Offers to be made based on interview |
| Music** | 75% |
| Nursing | 87% |
| Physical Sciences | 78% |
| Social Sciences | 75% |
| Technology | 75% |

* Admission is based on the combination of academic performance and the mandatory supplementary application form.

** Requires an audition



RESIDENCE

Students with a 78% admission average are guaranteed a place in residence, provided their residence application and \$600 deposit are received by 4:00pm on May 28th.

PLEASE NOTE:

- The residence application is available online at <http://housing.mcmaster.ca>; students should review the online instructions for filling out the form, along with the Student Life CD which was included in their offer package.

- Guaranteed single bed-space for students with an admission average of 95% or higher as of May 28, 2008
- Students not guaranteed residence can apply to the residence waiting list at anytime
- Deposits can be made by credit card (Visa or MasterCard)
- Students who were guaranteed residence will receive confirmation of their guaranteed status in July, provided the application and deposit are received no later than 4:00pm May 28, 2008.

STUDENT FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS

SCHOLARSHIPS

Students will automatically be considered for the following President's/Honour Awards based on the final admission average to their program (based on top six 12U/M grades including required courses for the program which a student has accepted). Students receiving an entrance scholarship will be notified of the terms, conditions and exact value of the award in August. McMaster does not "round up" for purposes of scholarships or admission.

McMaster's entrance scholarships are under review.

There may be changes to the program for next year.

PRESIDENT'S AWARDS

| FINAL ADMISSION AVERAGE TO PROGRAM | I.B. SCORE* | VALUE |
|------------------------------------|-------------|---------|
| 95% + | 40+ | \$3,000 |

HONOUR AWARDS

| FINAL ADMISSION AVERAGE TO PROGRAM | I.B. SCORE* | VALUE |
|------------------------------------|-------------|---------|
| 90-94.99% | 36-39 | \$2,000 |
| 85-89.99% | 33-35 | \$1,000 |
| 80-84.99% | 30-32 | \$750 |

* I.B. Scores include diploma points.

BURSARIES

Students apply for bursaries between October 15th and November 15th, after they have registered as a McMaster student. All students are encouraged to apply to OSAP in order to be considered for a bursary. Financial need is assessed using the information on the student's OSAP application. The OSAP application and assessment must be fully processed for students to be considered for bursary funding.

Check out the Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships website for:

Information for High School Students & Guidance Counsellors

<http://sfas.mcmaster.ca/highschool.html>

Student Budgeting and New Interactive Game

<http://sfas.mcmaster.ca/budgeting>

For questions regarding student financial aid, please contact:

Office of Student Financial Aid & Scholarships McMaster University

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web site: <http://sfas.mcmaster.ca>

e-mail: awards@mcmaster.ca

NEW PROGRAMS

Physician Assistant Program

Beginning in 2008-2009, McMaster will be among the first institutions in Canada to launch a Physician Assistant Education Program. Twenty students will be admitted to the first class to pioneer a new role in health care provision in the province. The program will be taught using inquiry and problem-based learning, which will enhance each student's ability to think critically, solve problems, demonstrate initiative and independence in practice, and promote lifelong learning. Applicants must have completed a minimum of two years of undergraduate work and have a minimum grade of a 3.0 on the OMSAS 4.0 scale for consideration.

Integrated Science I (iSci)

The Honours Integrated Science program is a unique interdisciplinary research-based science program targeting highly motivated, high-achieving students (only 60 students will be admitted to this program). The science curriculum will be taught in a fully integrated way and will allow students to understand how knowledge has accumulated within and across scientific disciplines, and how new scientific thought is created. Beginning in Level I, students will engage in research and will have opportunities throughout each level of the program to work with faculty members on interdisciplinary research projects in laboratory and field settings. All Level I iSci students will be asked to complete an orientation course prior to the start of classes in September. The course will serve to review and consolidate material covered by the secondary school math and science curriculum and will be especially valuable to those who have not completed one of Biology 4U, Chemistry 4U and Physics 4U.

Program requirements are as follows: ENG4U, MHF4U, MCV4U, and Two of: SBI4U, SCH4U or SPH4U and completion of a supplementary application form.

Music Cognition Specialization

The Music Cognition Specialization is a multidisciplinary program between Music and Psychology and is an extension of the newly formed McMaster Institute for Music and the Mind (MIMM). Specialization is available as an Honours Bachelor of Science (Psychology, Neuroscience and Behaviour), Honours Bachelor of Arts (Psychology, Neuroscience and Behaviour) and the Honours Music Program. Students in Psychology, Neuroscience and Behaviour or Music will be able to complete a series of courses in music cognition such that they can graduate with this specialization. Topics include: how the auditory and motor systems interact to produce music; how people encode and recognize music; how music induces emotional reactions; how musical experience and training affect brain development; and how musical training/exposure affects language, cognitive, and social abilities in both children and adults.

Technology I (Faculty of Engineering)

Designed as a direct-entry program from high school, students who successfully complete this program will receive both a Diploma in Technology from Mohawk College and a Bachelor of Technology Degree (B. Tech) from McMaster University. Programs are offered in three disciplines: Process Automation Technology, Automotive and Vehicle Technology, and Biotechnology. For more details check out the following website: <http://btech.mcmastermohawk.ca/>



STUDENT WITH DISABILITIES

Centre for Student Development (CSD)

The Centre for Student Development is a resource for all McMaster students as it facilitates and enhances the academic success and personal growth of students. CSD offers services in several main areas:

- Personal Counselling
- Academic Skills (including writing skills and English as a Second Language)
- Services for students with disabilities – CSD works with full-time and part-time students, as well as prospective students with disabilities related to: mobility, sensory (e.g. vision and hearing), learning and ADD/ADHD, neurological, psychological and chronic health
- International Student Services
- Leadership Program
- ATLAS Program (for students with learning disabilities or ADHD)
- The Peer Helper Program

The Centre for Student Development is located on the lower level of the Student Centre (MUSC B107) please check out their website <http://csd.mcmaster.ca/> for more information or contact them at csd@mcmaster.ca OR call 905-525-9140 ext. 24711

CAMPUS NEWS

Walter Booth Engineering Building

The five-storey, 125,600 square-foot facility (completion, summer 2009) will provide space for three new graduate schools in Biomedical Engineering, Engineering Practice, and Computational Engineering and Science. Space is also designated for new research initiatives in mechatronics, energy studies, and micro- and nano-systems. Teaching studios, tutorial rooms, study space, and classrooms will support recent initiatives enhancing the first-year undergraduate experience. The building is designed to a high LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) environmental standards and as a teaching tool.

Ronald V. Joyce Stadium – Athletics & Recreation

The \$13 million, 6,000-seat Stadium is nearing completion and will create an impressive venue for university football and soccer. Highlights of this facility include:

- All-weather artificial turf (soft surface) on the playing field
- Opportunity for year-round play
- The only competitive outdoor track in the city
- Access to the McMaster Sports Medicine Centre
- The capacity to add an additional 6,000 temporary seats

McMaster Libraries

McMaster University won the prestigious Excellence in Academic Libraries Award. It is the first Canadian academic library to receive the award, granted yearly by the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL). This award recognizes the accomplishments of librarians and other library staff as they come together as members of a team to support the mission of their institution.

Go Transit

Go Transit has set up a Go Terminal on our campus. This facility provides service to Toronto via the Lakeshore West and the Hwy 407 West corridors. For more information please visit: <http://www.gotransit.com/>

OTHER RESOURCES

First Year Experience Office (FYEO)

The First Year Experience Office was created to ensure that first-year students can be successful in their transition from high school to university. They work closely with faculty and campus services to support students in achieving their academic and personal goals and are responsible for overseeing orientation programs such as Welcome Week. The First Year Experience Office is offering summer orientation sessions for new Level I students.

Check out <http://fye.mcmaster.ca/> for more information.
Contact FYEO at 905-525-9140, ext. 26292/23865
E-mail: fyeo@mcmaster.ca

GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR WEBSITE

<http://registrar.mcmaster.ca/future/guidance-counsellors.html>

Our Guidance Counsellor website contains information regarding:

- Program updates/changes
- Mandatory supplementary applications
- Campus Tours and special visit opportunities
- Liaison staff contact information
- Contact email specifically for Guidance Counsellors

MacIQ – www.macIQ.ca

MacIQ is designed for Canadian high school students, parents and guidance counsellors to get quick answers to all of their questions about McMaster! It is an excellent resource and provides access to up-to-date information in an interactive way. Simply post a question on-line and receive an instant response!

www.macIQ.ca

VISIT INFORMATION

Summer Tours - <http://registrar.mcmaster.ca/tours.html>

Encourage your students to book a tour online (in advance) and then visit us! Friends and families are always welcome on the tour. Summer Tours are available from May 12 – August 15, 2008

Campus Tours available at 10:30am or 1:30pm - A campus tour takes approximately 90 minutes and includes visits to academic areas, a library, student service areas, and two residence buildings.

Residence Tours available at 12:30pm - A residence only tour takes approximately 45 - 60 minutes and stops inside two to three residence buildings.

CONTACTS

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(voicemail is NOT used on any of our extensions, therefore you'll reach us directly if you call between the hours of 8:30am – 4:30pm, Monday to Friday)

