

Educational Support



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Ontario College Diploma | 2 years
Trafalgar Road Campus (Oakville)



Help students with diverse learning needs achieve academic and social success.

Outstanding career preparation

This program will equip you with competencies to support students with disabilities and/or Individual Education Plans while maintaining a safe and professional environment that promotes students' well-being.

Things you'll do and learn

- Support students with academic, behavioural, and personal care needs in educational settings from kindergarten through high school
- Use Universal Design for Learning principles
- Foster social inclusion
- Work as part of the special education team
- Accurately report information related to student learning

Field placements

In Semesters 2, 3 and 4, you'll complete field placements in a school where you'll support students with special needs in the classroom. Sheridan arranges the field placement experience for you. During your placement, you'll encounter students with a range of exceptionalities including physical disabilities, intellectual disabilities, behaviour disorders, visual and hearing impairments, autism and learning disabilities.

Career opportunities

When you complete your Educational Support diploma program, you'll be ready to seek employment in a public or private school as an Educational Assistant* supporting students with diverse learning needs, or in a social-or health-based program with a special education component. *Please note some school boards use the term Teaching Assistant or Educational Resource Worker.

Courses

Some of the courses you can expect to take in your program

- Assessment in Education
- Assistive Technology
- Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Intellectual, Sensory and Learning Disabilities
- Physical Exceptionalities and Personal Care
- Positive Behaviour Strategies

Fees

Fees displayed are for the first 2 academic semesters and include tuition, health insurance and ancillary charges. These are estimates only; subject to change. See website for details.

For Canadian students

- \$4,426.50 CAD

For international students

- \$18,491.50 CAD

Admission requirements

Program eligibility

Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent, including these required courses:

- One English, Grade 12 (ENG4C or ENG4U).

or

Mature student status.

Note: The Educational Assistant student must have the energy and stamina to respond to the physical demands associated with the role of the assistant.

Applicant selection

Eligible applicants are selected on the basis of previous academic achievement (their six highest senior-level credits, including required courses.)

Applicants who do not meet the admission requirements for this program may be advised individually regarding other related programs.

Field placement requirements

Students will be required to provide additional documentation (such as criminal record checks and immunization records) directly to their field placement before the start of the placement and at their own expense. View Field Placement details for more information.

English language proficiency

All applicants whose first language is not English must meet Sheridan's English proficiency requirements.

Refer to the website for full admission requirements.

How to apply:

5 easy steps

- 1 Find your program
- 2 Check the admission requirements
- 3 Apply online
- 4 Submit your documentation
- 5 Accept your offer

Ready to get started?

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International students

Find out more about...

- Post-graduation work permit (PGWP) eligibility
- Admission requirements
- English language proficiency requirements
- Fees and financial aid
- Provincial Attestation Letters (PALs)

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