

Academic Upgrading

Welcome to the Academic Upgrading Online Information Session. This online presentation will outline what the Academic Upgrading program is, how to apply and detailed information about the program.



What is Academic Upgrading?



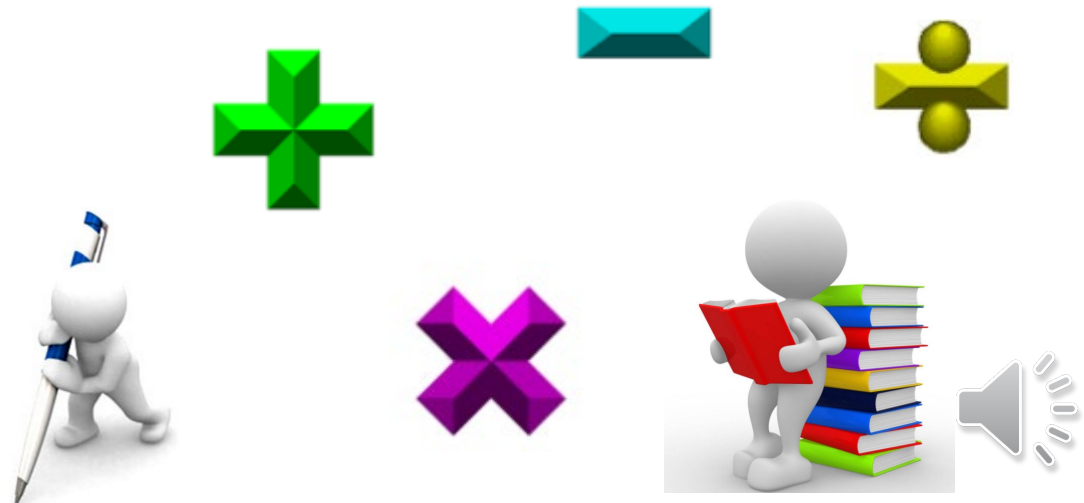
Academic Upgrading is a government program funded by the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development and is part of Employment Ontario.

It helps students acquire the reading, writing, numeracy and self-management skills to meet their individual goals.

In Academic Upgrading, you will develop the following six Ontario Adult Literacy Curriculum Framework Competencies.

These competencies are:

- A. Find and Use Information**
- B. Communicate Ideas and Information**
- C. Understand and Use Numbers**
- D. Use Digital Technology**
- E. Manage Learning**
- F. Engage with Others**



What is Academic Upgrading?

The course you take in the program will help you reach various goals. Our courses are “C” level high school equivalent courses which can gain you entry in most college programs.

- One year certificate
- Two year diploma
- Three year advanced diploma

You can also use Academic Upgrading to prepare for:

- Apprenticeship training
- To improve your skills for the workplace
- For self-improvement

Sheridan College Academic Upgrading courses are recognized for admission into certificate or diploma programs at all 24 Ontario colleges.



Subjects Offered

The courses offered here in Academic Upgrading at Sheridan College are what most colleges require as prerequisites into their programs.

The courses we offer are:

- **Communications 12 C equivalent (English) (2x per week)**
- **Mathematics 12 C equivalent (2x per week)**
- **Biology grade 11 C equivalent (1x per week)**
- **Chemistry grade 12 C equivalent (1x per week)**
- **Computer Applications (1x per week)**
- **Strategies for Success (1x per week)**

They are available in-class and online.

The choices you make will be based on what you require for admission into the college program you plan to enrol in or to achieve the goal you set out for yourself.



Eligibility

You must meet a few eligibility criteria in order to take courses with Academic Upgrading.

You are eligible if you are:

- An Ontario Resident
- 19 years of age and older
- A Canadian Citizen
- A Permanent Resident
- A Convention Refugee



When Are the Courses Offered?

We have three start dates in the year which are:

- Fall: September
- Winter: January
- Spring/Summer: May

Each of these terms run for 14 weeks.

Class Schedule:

- Day: Monday –Friday- 9-12, 1-4 (3 hour blocks)
- Evening: 6:30-9:30 (3 hour blocks)

During the day, we offer classes from 9 am to 12 pm and from 1 pm to 4pm which run from Monday to Friday. We also offer evening classes from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm which run from Monday to Thursday. The number of classes you have per week will be determined by the number of courses you are taking.



Admission Requirements

Academic Upgrading uses the Essential Skills for Education and Employment (ESEE) assessment and a written assessment, to place students in courses.

You will be required to complete the following placement assessments in order to be eligible to start:

If you plan on taking:	You will need to complete:
Communications	ESEE Reading, Document Use and a written assessment
Mathematics	ESEE Reading and Numeracy assessment
Biology	ESEE Reading assessment
Chemistry	ESEE Reading and Numeracy assessment
Computer Applications	ESEE Reading assessment
Strategies for Success	ESEE Reading assessment

In your email confirmation, you will be informed on which assessments you will be asked to complete.

Based on the assessment results, you will have the option to participate in a Communications and/or a Mathematics workshop to help you meet the course eligibility requirements or to review select basic concepts.



How Do I Apply?

To apply to the Academic Upgrading program, you must complete the following :

- ☑ Watch this video
- ☑ Fill out and submit the online forms (located on our webpage)
 - Make sure to include your email address and phone number
- ☑ Wait for a confirmation email
- ☑ Book an appointment to speak to a Student Support Specialist
- ☑ Complete all required assessments
- ☑ Attend your appointment



Next Steps

Once your admission requirements are met and you have been contacted to start the program, you will need to:

- Pay the \$40 registration fee*
- Attend an orientation session

*Other fees may apply, for example, parking and lockers.



Who Can I Contact with Questions or for Help?

If you require assistance with the application process and/or have any additional questions, please contact us.

Davis Campus	STC Campus
<p>Office time: Monday to Friday 9:00 am to 4:00pm Address: 7899 McLaughlin Road, Brampton Phone Number: 905-459-7533 ext. 5449 Email address: audavis@sheridancollege.ca</p>	<p>Office time: Monday to Friday 9:00 am to 4:00pm Address: 470 Iroquois Shore Road, Oakville Phone Number: 905-845-9430 ext. 8052 Email address: austc@sheridancollege.ca</p>

This concludes our online presentation and we look forward to hearing from you.

