

Ridgeback Report



- The Ontario Tech libraries are now operating on summer hours! The North Oshawa Library will be open **Monday to Thursday from 7:45 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday's from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** The Social Science, Humanities and Education Library will be open **Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.** Both libraries will be closed on weekends. [Visit our website for more information.](#)

Academic Support



- **Students starting in the spring/summer semester:** [Download your course-specific software](#) starting **Monday, May 1.**
- Have you heard of the **Student Experience Record (SER)**? [SER](#) is a comprehensive record of your involvement in co-curricular experiences throughout your Ridgeback journey. It's used to highlight your diverse university experiences, and showcases your personal involvement and commitment to growing outside of the classroom. As you apply for jobs, future education or volunteer experiences, your **SER** will be a great tool to showcase soft skills that are important to employers in today's market! The deadline to add positions to your SER is **Monday, May 1.** [Access your SER and learn more.](#)

Career Readiness



- The Career Centre and Devant have joined together to provide career supports for international students. [Check it out, and register](#) for all the great workshops that are happening in May.
- Your summer bucket list should include [Wavemakers](#), to develop your skills and expand your network! It is a free, part-time, eight-session, virtual reality work-integrated learning program designed for post-secondary students that fits into

your schedule. Wavemakers offers **\$200 in financial support** and awards a **\$2000** scholarship per cohort. The program includes a virtual Career Fair that connects you with employer partners like Deloitte, IBM, BMO and more! [Sign up for an upcoming cohort.](#)

- **The Career Centre** has a variety of workshops that are designed to help students who are job searching, going to work for the first time, or entering a new workplace. [Learn more and register](#) for a workshop today! You can also book an appointment on the [Student Life Portal](#) for any of our [one-on-one supports](#).

Community



- Want to be more involved in your school community? Become an **Orientation Leader!** These students will be responsible for providing leadership, building community and promoting new student learning during Orientation. [Learn more and apply.](#)
- Ontario Tech is pleased to announce its status as an **Ambassador for the Moose Hide Campaign**, an Indigenous-led, grassroots movement of men, boys and all Canadians—standing up to end violence against women and children. Join us virtually on **Monday, May 8** from **noon to 1 p.m.** to celebrate and learn more about the campaign. [Visit our website for information.](#)
- Ontario Tech is committed to improving the campus and its surroundings, especially when it comes to sustainability. The [Active Transportation survey](#) aims to gather information on active transport practices of faculty, staff and students, and to find ways in which the university could make active transport a more attractive option. Please take a few minutes to [complete the survey](#); your valuable feedback will help the university understand where to focus its future efforts.

Equity and Inclusion



- Our Student Engagement and Equity team aims to create an equitable and inclusive campus. We offer resources, workshops, a variety of supports, and opportunities to be involved. [Visit our website for more information.](#)

- A new episode of the [Road to Equity podcast](#) is out now! In this episode, the Student Engagement and Equity work study students interview Dr. [Shilpa Dogra](#), Health Sciences Faculty member at Ontario Tech University and Chair for the Age-Friendly University Committee. This episode is all about expanding our understanding of ageism and considering ways to help older adults feel comfortable visiting the campus. [Check it out on Spotify](#).

Athletics and Wellness



- Get moving, get grounded and get lifted! Wellness Walks is a free and fun opportunity that promotes physical and mental health by getting mindful walking breaks during the busy school, and workday. [Visit the Health Promotions website for spring/summer dates](#).
- Check out Ontario Tech's [Health and Wellness Recipes book](#). Have a recipe you want to share with the university community? [Submit it to us](#) to have it featured in upcoming promotional materials!

Money Matters



Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)

- The 2022/2023 **OSAP Extension Form** is now available on [MyOntarioTech!](#) To access the form, select current students, find the student awards and financial aid tab, and scroll down to OSAP Forms. **Do not** apply through the OSAP website.
- If you are an OSAP student planning to take full time classes in the spring/summer term(s) (3 classes in total), you will need to complete an **OSAP Extension Form** once you are officially registered for your classes.
- If you're planning to study part time during the spring/summer months, please apply for **part time OSAP funding** via the [OSAP website](#).

2023 spring/summer important dates

- Don't forget to check [MyOntarioTech](#) for important dates and deadlines for the [six-week spring and 12-week summer semesters](#). You can also review your

tuition balance on [MyOntarioTech](#).

Friday, May 12

- Six-week spring and 12-week summer session fees due in full.
- Last day to add six-week spring session courses.
- Last day to drop six-week spring session courses for a **full** refund.

Friday, May 19

- Last day to add courses to the 12-week summer session.
- Last day to drop 12-week summer session courses for a **full** refund.
- Last day to drop six-week spring session courses for a 50 per cent refund
- Last day to withdraw from six-week spring session courses without academic penalty.

Other News



Student Life Services

- Student Life offers a range of services and supports to students outside of the classroom. If you're looking for academic support, career guidance, accommodations and more, our services will be available during the spring and summer months! [Visit our website for more information](#).

Brilliant Catalyst applications

- The Brilliant Incubator is now accepting applications for the **Summer Incubator!** The deadline to apply for this cohort is **Monday, May 1**. If you're interested in applying, [submit your application](#). The program is set to start on **Monday, May 8**. If you have any questions, email Marissa.george@ontariotechu.ca or visit the [Brilliant Catalyst](#) website for more information.

Digital Ucard updated

- A fresh new design and enhanced security features have been updated to your digital Ucard! Log into the [Ontario Tech Mobile app](#) to check it out!

Please note: Your Ucard **must** include a photo for it to be considered valid. If your photo is missing, the message 'invalid without photo' will appear in the photo field

Universal Transit Pass (U-Pass)

- The U-Pass fee will be charged each semester to eligible, full-time students.
- The winter U-Pass is valid until **Sunday, April 30**, and accessible through the [PRESTO E-Tickets app](#). Once distributed, an email will be sent to eligible students' ontariotechu.net email account.
- For more information, visit our [U-Pass web page](#).



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