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# Ridgeback Report



Student course feedback surveys are available today until Monday June 17.
 Do you have comments or concerns about your courses? Share your feedback with us and help improve your student experience. You will be entered into a draw for a chance to win 1 of 5 \$75 gift cards.

### **Academic Support**



- Laptop standards are here! If you're purchasing a new laptop for the 2024-2025 academic year, visit the IT services suggested devices web page for details.
- Are you interested in an engaging employment opportunity for the fall 2024 and winter 2025 semesters? We're hiring high-achieving students with a minimum GPA of 3.3 to become Peer Educators! Review the job description and apply today.

#### **Career Readiness**



The Employment Readiness Program, running Wednesdays from May 29 to
June 26, is a series of workshops designed to teach you practical job readiness
skills and skills for navigating the workplace with success. Learn more and
register.

 Explore your employment identity with our Dungeons and Dragons Employment workshop, Thursdays from May 30 to June 27. <u>Learn more and register on</u> the Student Life Portal.

## Community



- Join the 2024 Catalyst Challenge: Youth in Agripreneurship. Attend workshops led by industry experts, receive one-on-one mentorships and work with likeminded innovators to turn your vision into impact. Register now to express your interest in joining the challenge!
- We're recruiting Orientation Leaders for the 2024-2025 term. Visit the
   Leadership positions website for more information including the volunteer
   description and to submit your application.

# **Equity and Inclusion**



As part of establishing its Legacy Builders initiative, The Ontario Tech Student
 Union has created the first edition of the Digital Black Magazine to celebrate
 the achievements of its Black student community. Check it out!

## **Athletics and Wellness**



- If you're experiencing academic stressors, feelings of anxiety or more, we're here to help. Our Mental Health Peer Mentors are now offering same day appointments. Learn more.
- Could you use a mindful break in the middle of your week? Join Bonnie Pedota
   —Mental Health and Wellness Facilitator—virtually on Wednesdays from May

   22 to July 24 from 1 to 1:45 p.m. for a journey of learning, discussion and practice. Learn more and register.
- Are you feeling overwhelmed and unsure of how to prioritize yourself? Join us for our Recovery College program virtually on Wednesdays from 4 to 5 p.m. Learn more and register.

### **Money Matters**



#### **Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)**

The 2023-2024 OSAP Extension Form is now available on MyOntarioTech!

 If you're an OSAP student planning to take full-time classes this semester (three classes in total), you must complete an OSAP Extension Form once

- officially registered for your classes. **Do not** apply through the OSAP website.
- If you're studying part-time, apply for part-time OSAP funding via the OSAP website.

#### **Student Awards**

 Visit MyOntarioTech for bursary application opportunities and term payment deadlines.

#### **Other News**



Apply to the Korea Arctic Academy, hosted online from July 5 to 12. The Korea
Arctic Academy is an initiative to facilitate exchanges between students from both
the Arctic region and Korea to develop and share a common Arctic vision. If you're
interested in applying, submit your cover letter and one page motivation letter to
isabelle.guissard@uit.no or jiyeong111@kmi.re.kr by Friday, June 21.

#### **Ontario Tech Ucard:**

- If you have not submitted your photo for use in your digital Ucard, visit our Ontario
   <u>Tech Ucard web page</u> for instructions. Follow our <u>photo upload requirements</u> to
   avoid having your photo rejected.
- To access your digital Ucard, download and sign into the Ontario Tech Mobile app.

#### **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 from May 1 to August 31, and accessible through the <u>PRESTO E-Tickets app.</u> Once distributed, an email will be sent to eligible students' ontariotechu.net email account.

