

**POST-SECONDARY
PLANNING
GRADE 12**

Eastern Shore District High School
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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

You are responsible to make sure you have the following compulsory credits for graduation: Students must have a minimum of 18 credits

- 3 English
- 3 Math
- 2 Science
- 1 Technology
- 1 Physical Education Credit
- 1 Canadian History content course
- Fine Arts credit
- Global His 12/Geo 12
- 5 Grade 12 credits
- *9 Immersion Credits (for Immersion Program)
- No more than 7 grade 10 credits
- At least 5 grade 12.

COMMUNICATING INFORMATION



- Announcements
- Post Secondary Websites
- Twitter @Eastern Shore DHS
- Student Services Website...access from ESDH website

CAREER ADVICE

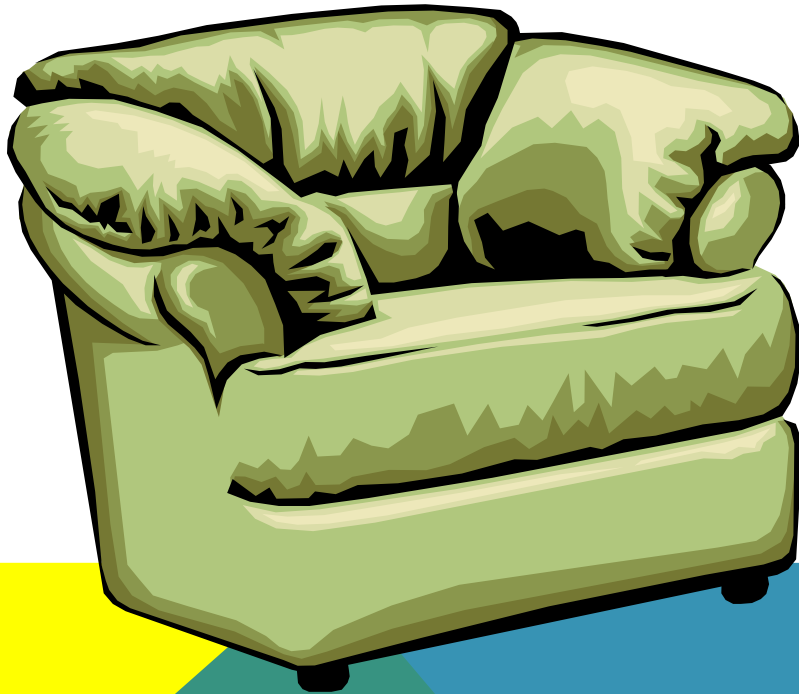
<https://careers.novascotia.ca/>

- Labour Market Information
- Information on Occupations
- Career Quizzes

<http://www.myBlueprint.ca>

- Access from student email account
- All students have access
- Canadian based information

NEED HELP?



- See your school counsellor to set an appointment to discuss options
- Log into My Blueprint to complete assessments, interest inventories and research careers.
- **all students have access to this through their gnspes account.

OPTIONS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

ABOUT 80% OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WILL EVENTUALLY GO ON TO SOME FORM OF POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

ONLY 54% OF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS GRADUATE FROM THEIR ORIGINAL PROGRAM OF INTEREST. (GLOBE AND MAIL, 2011).

- University/College
- Paid/Volunteer Work
- Private school
- Apprenticeship
- Travel
- Upgrading
- Military



HOW TO CHOOSE AN INSTITUTION?

- Get your feet on campus
- (if possible)
- Attend virtual school presentations
- Attend Virtual Open Houses
- Talk to college/university students
- Assess scholarship offers
- Go with your gut... follow your instinct...what place feels like the right fit for you?



APPLICATION PROCESS



- Application for Atlantic universities and colleges usually begin in Feb. Students can apply earlier if marks permit.

- ***NSCC apply now ***

- Ontario universities require earlier applications. Deadlines vary with universities...some in December/January

ADMISSION INFORMATION

- Students must check to see that they meet the admission requirements and deadlines of universities/colleges of interest.

- Students will be assessed based on first semester/grade 12 marks and/or grade 11 marks for early admission (80-85%).

- Most institutions require a fee to process applications i.e. \$45 +

- Most prefer an on-line version for faster processing

- For those students interested in residence, a separate application is required .

- Students must put in their ten digit provincial student number on the application

University Requirements: Halifax

Typical requirements for several post-secondary programs (all courses are at the grade 12 level)

- Bachelor of Arts – *English plus 4 other academic courses*

- Bachelor of Science – *English, Pre-Calculus, two Sciences (Chem, Bio, Physics) plus one other academic course*



UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS: HALIFAX

Bachelor of Engineering – English, Pre-Calculus, Chemistry, Physics plus 1 other academic course

Bachelor of Computer Science – English, Pre-Calculus plus 3 other academic courses

Bachelor of Nursing – English, Math, Chemistry, Biology plus 1 other academic courses

Bachelor of Commerce – English, Mathematics (in some cases, Pre-Calculus) plus 3 other academic courses

**** Not all course coded as academic will be accepted by every university – please check closely

NOVA SCOTIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE



- 13 campuses across Nova Scotia
- Over 140 program options
- Programs suitable for all types of students
- Articulation Agreements for many programs are in place.
- Apply Now!

PRIVATE CAREER COLLEGES




- A business that offers occupational training
- Often have less stringent admission requirements but tuition maybe more expensive
- Nova Scotia has over 40 registered private colleges

APPRENTICESHIP

- On-the-job training
- Graduate must find employer
- 2000 hours = 1 year of training
- Apprentices earn 40-90% of journeyperson while training
- Only certain trades have apprenticeship options (60+)
- For more information:
 - nsapprenticeship.ca/



STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

- If your student has a disability: learning, developmental, psychiatric, attention, physical, or sensory (anxiety, ADHD, depression, epilepsy...etc) they may qualify for grants and/or services *at their post-secondary institution*
 - Students should indicate on their applications and on student loan forms that they have a disability
 - Medical verification by a GP or specialist is usually required
 - Grants and services include: tutoring, note taking, assistive technology, computers, etc.
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ENTRANCE AWARDS

- Check post-secondary institution websites for entrance awards.
- Pay Attention to deadline dates!)
- Some require a separate application.



SCHOLARSHIPS



- **Community based scholarships (various online databases. Check ESDH Guidance webpage)**
- **Entrance scholarships (Deadlines)**
- **ESDHS scholarships (\$100-\$1000)**
- **Involvement is as important as marks for winning scholarships i.e. community and school involvement**
- **Bursaries/scholarships for visible minorities, students with disabilities are also available.**

STUDENT LOANS

- Are meant to supplement income

- Not all students are eligible for full amount

- Student Line of Credit another option to subsidize education

- Students must apply on-line

- Students don't apply until late May/June

- Processing time takes from 4-6 weeks

Website: <http://novascotia.ca/studentassistance/>

DECISION-MAKING

- Follow your heart
- Decide what your important values are
- Prioritize
- Research options
- Talk to people in the field
- Job shadow
- Talk to employers
- Take advantage of My Blueprint




- AARAO Tour - Will be available virtually (I will let you know when it is live!)
- Saint Mary's University: Will have a virtual information session in mid-October at ESDH – date TBD). Also on October 23 and November 21
- Dalhousie: Virtual Open House on November 7th Register @ https://www.dal.ca/admissions/open_house.html?gclid=EAlalQobChMI_PaSr8aW7AIVz-DICh3LugpJEAAYASAAEgKAOfD_BwE
- St Francis Xavier Virtual Open House on October 17th Register @ <https://www.stfx.ca/openhouse>
- MSVU Virtual Open Campus Day on November 3rd Register @ <https://beamountstudent.msvu.ca/events/index.do>
- NSCC Open House on November 16th Register @ https://www.nsc.ca/about_nsc/events/eventdetails.aspx?eventid=3661&recurs=0&rd=1605484800000

UPCOMING EVENTS



Make sure you check when open houses are occurring by searching your institution of choice and “virtual open house 2020.”

PROM & GRADUATION DATES

- Prom – June 11th
 - Grad Breakfast and rehearsal – June 29th beginning at 9am
 - Graduation ceremony – June 29th – 7pm at the Eastern Shore Community Center (The rink)
 - Ice cream social – will be decided as per Covid-19 as we progress through this year.
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PROM DECORATING COMMITTEE

- This is a student run committee
- There will be opportunities to help out with the decorations – the setting up and taking down in particular
- The committee will come up with a few themes that the grade 12 students will vote on.



THANK YOU!

