# PRE-ARRIVAL NEWSLETTER

PRE-ARRIVAL WEBINAR SERIES
-INTRODUCTION TO YORK UNIVERSITY-

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YORK INTERNATIONAL



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#### -INTRODUCTION TO YORK UNIVERSITY-





The purpose of this newsletter is to summarize the important information covered from pre-arrival webinar 1 (Introduction to York University). By clicking on the <u>underlined</u> words, you will be redirected to the appropriate resources.

### Webinar 1 recap

# Important on-campus introduction:

Familiarize yourself with York's Keele and Glendon campuses by taking a <u>Virtual Tour</u>. If you have questions about the different Faculties, programs and/or colleges, visit the links below:

- YorkU Faculties
- YorkU Colleges

Every student is required to have a student identification card known as a YU Card, at the beginning of their first year. To learn more about how to register for the card and other on-campus benefits, review the YU Card website.

\*We highly recommend that you register for your YU card early as there is a delay in September due to the busy start of term.

# On campus resources and services:

Here are some student services that provide ongoing support throughout the academic year, from peer mentoring to support groups that we encourage you to take a look into:

#### Red Zone

- Transition/orientation program designed with new students' needs in mind.
- Interact with a highly trained staff of knowledgeable peers and find the resources and answers to your question.
- Located at Central Vari hall.

Email: redzone@yorku.ca

#### • Global Peer Program (GPP)

- Focus on connecting upper year international students within the same program/major with new incoming students.
- Network with student around the world and gain global perspective and leadership skills.
- Located at York International.

Email: peerlead@yorku.ca



York university provides **free** on/off campus mental health, counselling and wellness support and services, following are the website link for further information:

- Centre for Human Rights, Equity and Inclusion
- Student Counselling, Health and Wellness Services
- YI Stress Management & Mental Health Support
- Good2talk
- Keep.meSAFE

Information about <u>York Federation of Student (YFS)</u>, which represents over 55,000+ students on campus. Further information about benefits, services, advocacy and amazing events under YFS can be accessed on their website.

Other than YFS, York also offers around 300+ student run organizations for you to be a part of, ranging from sports, professional development, support groups to anything you are looking for! Take a look at <u>YU Connect</u> to register and find out more.



Second Student center



York University Subway Station



Bergeron Engineering of Excellence

Below are some other important services:

#### • YU Library Learning Commons Service

Other than offering study space, printing services, learning commons also provide ESL open learning centre at Scott Library, Writing centre for academic writing support and learning skills support.

#### • Bennett Center for Student Services

Center for Registration, Academic and student financial services.

- Email: rscheck@yorku.ca

#### • York Recreation

Register for a York recreation membership for just 15\$/academic year to gain access to the fitness centre, gym, recreational programs such as Weekly Zumba, Yoga, modern dance, etc.



<u>York International</u> is the main office available to International students for support in many different areas, including immigration, UHIP, academic, peer mentoring (GPP), community engagement, study abroad opportunities, and more.

- YI Immigration
  - Virtual drop-in session (3 times/week)
  - Email: iadvisor@yorku.ca
- Go Global Opportunities
  - Email: goglobal@yorku.ca
- Universal Insurance & Health Care (UHIP)
  - Email: uhip@yorku.ca
  - In-person and virtual drop-in sessions schedule
- YI Event Calender
  - Weekly Coffee Break: Themed social gathering with students around the world.
  - International Student Orientation (Summer/Fall)

There are many ways to get involved on campus, whether it is through volunteering, student clubs, college council that you can find through <u>YU Connect</u> or your college's social media. There are also part time work that can be found on <u>YU Hire</u>.

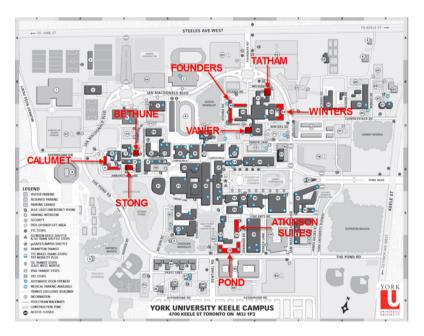
- Work/Study
- Research at York (RAY)

Now that the on campus services, resources and ways to get involved are covered. Here is the general information about residence life on campus. (more detailed will be covered in next session)

- <u>Undergrad Housing</u>
- Off campus housing

Close to campus options:

- The village
- Quad residence
- -Facebook for "<u>YorkU Off campus</u> <u>housing</u>"







#### Webinar 2 Introduction



Pre- arrival webinars include a total of 6 series. After the completion of webinar 1 with Introducing York University. Webinar 2 will be focusing on **Exploring the City of Toronto and Canada**, by introducing some local culture, norms and must see places around the city to explore. We will also be disclosing a lot of important services, and essential places that will benefits your transition to a new environment.



Date: July 4th, 2022

Time: 9am e.s.t Duration: 1 hour

Register Here

