Pre-Arrival Webinar Series:

Looking Ahead at Your First Year at York

25 – OCTOBER - 2023
Land Acknowledgement

York University recognizes that many Indigenous Nations have longstanding relationships with the territories upon which York University campuses are located that precede the establishment of York University.

York University acknowledges its presence on the traditional territory of many Indigenous Nations. The area known as Tkaronto has been care taken by the Anishinabek Nation, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, and the Huron-Wendat.

It is now home to many First Nation, Inuit and Métis communities. We acknowledge the current treaty holders, the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory is subject of the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement to peaceably share and care for the Great Lakes region.

Centre for Indigenous Student Services: https://aboriginal.info.yorku.ca/about-us/

Native Land Digital: https://native-land.ca/
Zoom Etiquette

Links will be shared in the chat during the presentation

Ask us questions using the Q&A Feature

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By the end of this webinar, new incoming international students will have more knowledge about:

- A first-year students' academic calendar at York University
- Important deadlines, holidays and academic terminology
- Helpful students’ resources with academic information
The agenda for today’s webinar is:

- Your first year at York University
- Resources at York University
- Questions & Answers session
- Upcoming Webinars
Meet Amanda!

She is a First-generation student from Greece who is pursuing a Bachelors of Arts in Psychology with the Faculty of Health.

Amanda will be coming to Canada in the first week of January to begin her Winter term as a freshman at York University.
First Year at York University

There are three (3) school terms here at York:

- **Fall (F):** September - December
- **Winter (W):** January - May
- **Year (Y):** September - May
Orientation

➤ Academic Orientation
  • This is a chance to connect with your professors, department staff, academic advisors, and peers as you learn about your program! Academic orientation is the aspect of O-Week where you can become part of your academic community at York.
  • Tentative date: January 5th, 2024

➤ International and Exchange Student Orientation
  • Opportunity to meet other new international and exchange students, attend important information sessions on University Health Insurance Plan and immigration, participate in the Service Fair with on campus offices and phone and bank companies, go shopping for essentials, tour the campus, and so much more!
  • Tentative Date: January 6th, 2024
  • Alternate Date: January 20th, 2024

More information coming in December!
Winter 2024 - Financial Deadlines to Remember

8 Jan.
- First day of winter classes

10 Jan.
- Winter tuition fee deadline: January 10
  Payment through CIBC Portal
- Fees for residence charges and meal plans are due

22 Jan.
- Last date to add a course without permission of instructor

1 Sep. 2023 – 31 Aug. 2024
- UHIP coverage period
  - Adding coverage for your dependent(s) is mandatory and must be done within 30 days of their arrival in Canada. Or a $500 late fee will apply per UHIP policy

31 Jan.
- Last date to add a course with permission of instructor
Winter 2024 - Layer Up and Be Prepared!
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Winter 2024- Academic and Holiday Deadlines to Remember

- **17–23 Feb.** York Fest
- **19 Feb.** Winter Reading Week
  - What is reading week? Time to catch up on reading, classes, studying for midterms, and taking some time to relax
  - Academic resources: PASS, SNACK, ESL OLC
- **11 Mar.** Family Day
- **12 Mar. – 8 Apr.** Course withdrawal period (withdraw from a course and receive a grade of “W” on transcript)
- **11 Mar.** Last date to drop a course without receiving a grade
- **29 Mar.** Good Friday
Winter 2024- What are your summer plans?

Winter term is still going, but Amanda needs to start planning for summer! What can she do?

- Take a few summer classes. Enrollment dates may vary.
- Book an appointment with an academic advisor to talk about your degree requirements.
- Book a flight to go home to visit family/friends.
- Travel! Canada has a lot to see.
- Getting a summer job or internship.
  - Global Learning at York International
  - On-campus summer job or Work/Study position
If you need help creating a resume, interview prep, CVs, or Cover letters, visit the Career Centre.
It’s getting warmer
Winter 2024 - More Dates to Remember!

- **8 Apr.**
  - Winter classes end

- **9 Apr.**
  - Winter Study Day

- **10–25 Apr.**
  - Winter Exams
Amanda's First Year at York University

- Amanda has now completed her first year at York University!

- Be prepared by paying close attention to dates and deadlines.

- Ask questions! The university has many resources to support your journey here. Take advantage.

- Food for thought: “Your future is created by what you do today, Not tomorrow”. – H. Jackson Brown, Jr.
Upcoming Webinars
Pre-Arrival Webinar

Financial Planning for International Students

Financial Literacy

The **Financial Planning for International Students** webinar provides students with the general cost of living in Canada as well as the financial resources available to aid them in making more informed decisions in their finances.

- **Date:** Wednesday November 1st, 2023
- **Time:** 9:00AM to 10:00AM
- **Registration:** [https://yorku.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0kd-igrD0uH9Ezj0NRmfOe9P7Ka-fKMPfO#/registration](https://yorku.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0kd-igrD0uH9Ezj0NRmfOe9P7Ka-fKMPfO#/registration)
Are you an LA&PS student and are you preparing to come to LA&PS during the Winter 2024 semester? Join our webinar to learn about the academic resources to help you ace your first term! Additionally, we will also provide you with information on how to get involved in LA&PS. We will end the session with a 30-minute enrolment support session to help answer any questions you may have about enrolment.

- **Date:** Tuesday, November 7th, 2023
- **Time:** 9:00AM to 10:30AM EST
- **Registration:** [https://yorku.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0sc--oqTwpHdPU874zH5xe4miDzdzdrCMh#/registration](https://yorku.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0sc--oqTwpHdPU874zH5xe4miDzdzdrCMh#/registration)
The Preparing for the Canadian Classroom webinar provides students with an overview of the Canadian educational system as well as various academic resources available at York University.

- **Date:** Wednesday November 8th, 2023
- **Time:** 9:00AM to 10:00AM
- **Registration:** [https://yorku.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIqdO-gpz4jHNOon0XjgdCPxXkPhdKep-ryL#/registration](https://yorku.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIqdO-gpz4jHNOon0XjgdCPxXkPhdKep-ryL#/registration)
York International Event Calendar