

**GUIDANCE COUNSELLORS'
OVERVIEW OF THE GRADUATION
YEAR AND BEYOND, FOR STUDENTS**

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STUDENT SERVICES ON INSTAGRAM AND GOOGLE CLASSROOM

- Instagram account: @auburnstudentservices
- Google Classroom: check your Google Classroom; all grade 12 students were added to the Classroom. Please let Ms. Rose know if you don't see the Classroom in your gnspe
- Make sure to follow us; lots of important opportunities and information are shared through this account

CREDIT CHECK AND GRAD LIST

- The school counsellors will check each student's graduation status, but it remains the responsibility of you and your parents to ensure that all graduation requirements are met.
- The **Potential Grad List** is the list of all grade 12 students who are on track to graduate in June 2024. It will be posted in mid-October and at the end of February. The list posted the day before graduation is the actual **Graduation List**.
- The Potential Grad List is meant to show students what the school has on record as their full legal name in order to prepare graduation diplomas. The diploma must be the correct **full legal name**.

PLANNING FOR AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

- Check out “myBlueprint”
- Access it through your gnspes Launch page
- The site can be used to explore careers, university/college programs across Canada and much, much more!



WHAT ARE THE OPTIONS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL?

- Go directly to full-time work
- Travel – gap year experience
- Apprenticeship (formal on-the-job training program for “Red Seal Trades”) Visit <https://nsapprenticeship.ca> for information
- Community College (NSCC in Nova Scotia)
- Military Training and Employment
- Private Career College: Business, Cosmetology, Computer, Services etc.
- University – public, private (US), religious

WHAT INFORMATION DO YOU NEED?

- Programs that match your skills & interests
- High school course requirements and grades necessary to apply for the programs
- Institutions that offer the programs
- Location of institution (does it fit- visit, check things out, stay at home or residence?)
- Consider - cost of program, travel, text books and other supplies

AARAO

Atlantic Association of Registrars and Admissions Officers

- AARAO hosts post-secondary opportunities fairs for students and their supporters to learn about multiple educational options in one convenient location.
- AARAO will be at Auburn Drive on Tuesday October 3rd from 9:50am – 10:50am
- There will be an open to public session held at Cole Harbour Place on Thursday October 5th from 6:00pm to 8:00pm
- Visit the website for more information: <https://aaroo.ca/>
- Auburn will host some university information sessions, so be sure to listen to the announcements and check the bulletin board in Student Services for upcoming presentation dates.

FINDING POST-SECONDARY INFORMATION

- ***Go on-line to the institutions' websites***
- Many institutions' printed brochures and calendars are available from the institution upon request
- Ontario has one central application centre (OUAC) for all of their post-secondary institutions (\$156 for first three; \$50 for each additional school; plus supplementary fees ranging from \$69 (Carleton University) to \$90 (U of T) , supplemental fees from \$40-60 for specific programs)
- Attend presentations by visiting institutions that take place at Auburn Drive High School
- Attend Open Houses at the institutions
- Visit your School Counsellor
- Use myBlueprint through your gnspes Launch Page

REQUESTING TRANSCRIPTS

- Many post-secondary institutions in Nova Scotia are now part of the MyTranscripts system through the MyNSFuture gateway. This system provides 11 post-secondary institutions in Nova Scotia with transcripts for students when they give their 10 digit student identification number on the post-secondary application. For more info, visit the MyNSFuture-MyTranscripts: <https://www.mynsfuture.ca/mytranscripts>.
- If applying outside of Nova Scotia, students must place an order through the Auburn Drive High School website. Students are responsible for mailing transcripts to the post-secondary institutions.
- Students can request up to 5 transcripts at a time.
- In the graduation package there will be two official/sealed transcripts, one of which must be sent to the post-secondary institution the student will attend in the fall.
- After graduation year there is a \$5.00 fee for transcripts.

UNIVERSITY

Bachelor's Degree: Also known as an “undergraduate degree”; typically completed in 3 or 4 years of full-time study. Here are a few common ones:

- **Bachelor of Arts (BA):** may major in history, philosophy, political science, English, international development, psychology, sociology, criminology, etc. May sometimes be referred to as Social Sciences or Humanities
 - **Bachelor of Science (BSc):** may major in chemistry, physics, biology, math, geology, etc.
 - **Bachelor of Commerce (B.Comm):** accounting, economics, marketing, etc. May sometimes be referred to as a Business degree.
 - **Bachelor of Engineering (B. Eng):** civil, electrical, mechanical, etc.
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- **Major:** A student's primary subject of study – usually not selected until a student's 2nd year of study.
 - **Minor:** A student's secondary subject of study – usually not selected until a student's 2nd year of study.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR UNIVERSITY

- ▶ Admission requirements vary depending on the undergraduate (Bachelor) Degree (BA, BSc, BComm, BEng, etc.)

Dal Admission Requirements

https://www.dal.ca/admissions/undergraduate/hs_applicants.html

MSVU Admission Requirements

<https://www.msvu.ca/future-students/admission-requirements/high-school-students/>

SMU Admission Requirements

<https://www.smu.ca/future-students/cs-admission-requirements.html>

APPLICATION PROCESS

- ▶ Applications are made online.
- ▶ Many institutions within the Atlantic provinces have a March 1st or 15th 2024 deadline to be considered for Entrance Scholarships based on marks. Please note there are universities with deadlines in mid January for limited entry programs.
- ▶ Outside the Atlantic provinces, the date varies, usually earlier than above. It is the student's responsibility to check with the school of their choice.
- ▶ Early Admissions - based on gr. 11 marks; usually for strong students
- ▶ NSCC –Apply NOW!

COMPLETING THE APPLICATION- FOLLOWING GRADUATION

- In all cases final marks must be sent to the institution following graduation in June.
- It is your responsibility to deliver the final transcript to the institution.
- You will pick your actual courses and schedules in the spring or summer before the fall semester begins; this is done on-line or at the institution.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Money is available but requires research! Check out MyNSFuture.ca for more information.
- Any scholarship opportunities that Auburn is made aware of are posted to the Goggle classroom, listed on the school's website (under "Our School"), posted to Instagram and on the bulletin board in Student Services.
- Awards are often based on a student's academic achievements as well as school and community involvement.
- There are also monetary awards/bursaries based on financial need, leadership, volunteerism, etc.
- Award types include:
 - Entrance scholarships and Renewable scholarships given by the institution
 - Institution/program specific awards
 - Community/corporate scholarships and bursaries
 - Auburn specific awards (students must submit an online application in spring)

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Please give a copy of any scholarship offers that you receive to the main office so they can be added to the graduation program.
- Students who receive a scholarship letter at the graduation ceremony must bring the letter, as well as proof of post-secondary enrolment, to the Main Office in September 2024.
- The money will be forwarded directly to the institution.

IMPORTANT DATES

- NSCC: apply now
- Local Universities: by first of March for entrance scholarships (University or specific program deadlines may vary)
- Nova Scotia Student Assistance (Student Loans)
Applications for September 2024 will be available online
May 2024
- Prom:TBD
- Graduation:TBD

THANK YOU

QUESTIONS?

**PLEASE MAKE AN
APPOINTMENT WITH MS.
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