

# VIEWBOOK



**BRAEMAR**  
COLLEGE

# Braemar at a glance

## AWARD WINNING

Students

Rotman Commerce  
Market Simulation  
Challenge

Teachers



Ontario Award for  
Teaching Excellence

School



Founded in  
**1995**

Canadian private coed  
secondary school,  
**grades 9 to 12,**  
**ages 13 to 19**



Located in heritage building  
in downtown Toronto, on the  
St. George campus of the  
University of Toronto



No **uniforms** required

Graduates receive the Ontario  
Secondary School Diploma  
(OSSD)



**Average class size of 15**



Student body of  
students **350**



**Round-the-clock**  
support



A team of over **40 education**  
**professionals,** teachers and  
student services



In-country  
recruiters based all  
**around the globe**



We have our own network of  
**caring homestay families**

**Thrive**  
**@Braemar**

**Many clubs, activities & trips**

**5 intakes:**

September, November,  
February, April, July

**Top Canadian**  
**post-secondary**  
**partners**



**Braemar**  
**Experience**

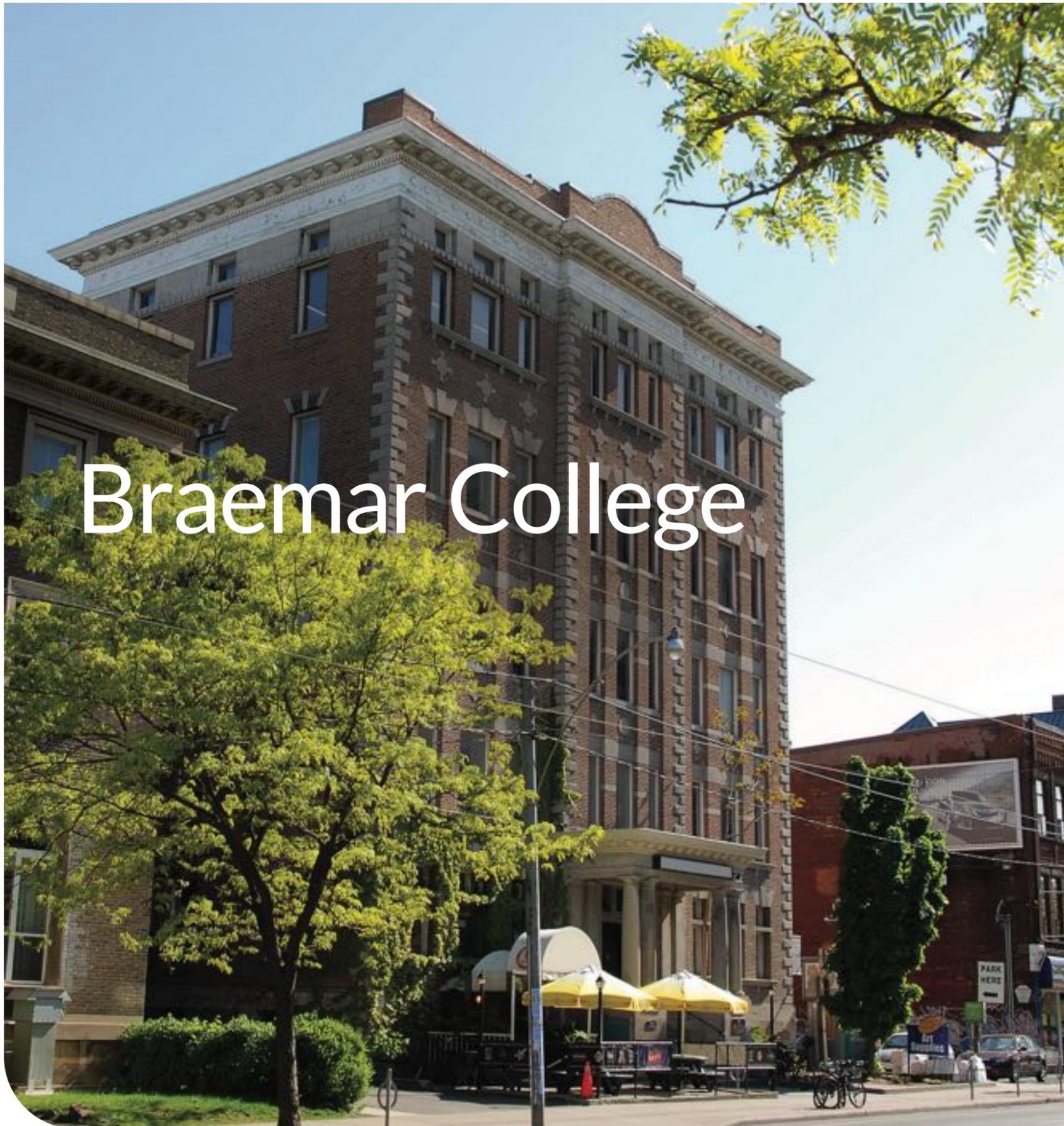
High school year  
Short-term high school abroad  
Summer programs  
(4 & 7 weeks)

**Braemar**  
**Pathways**

College Pathways Program  
University Pathways Program

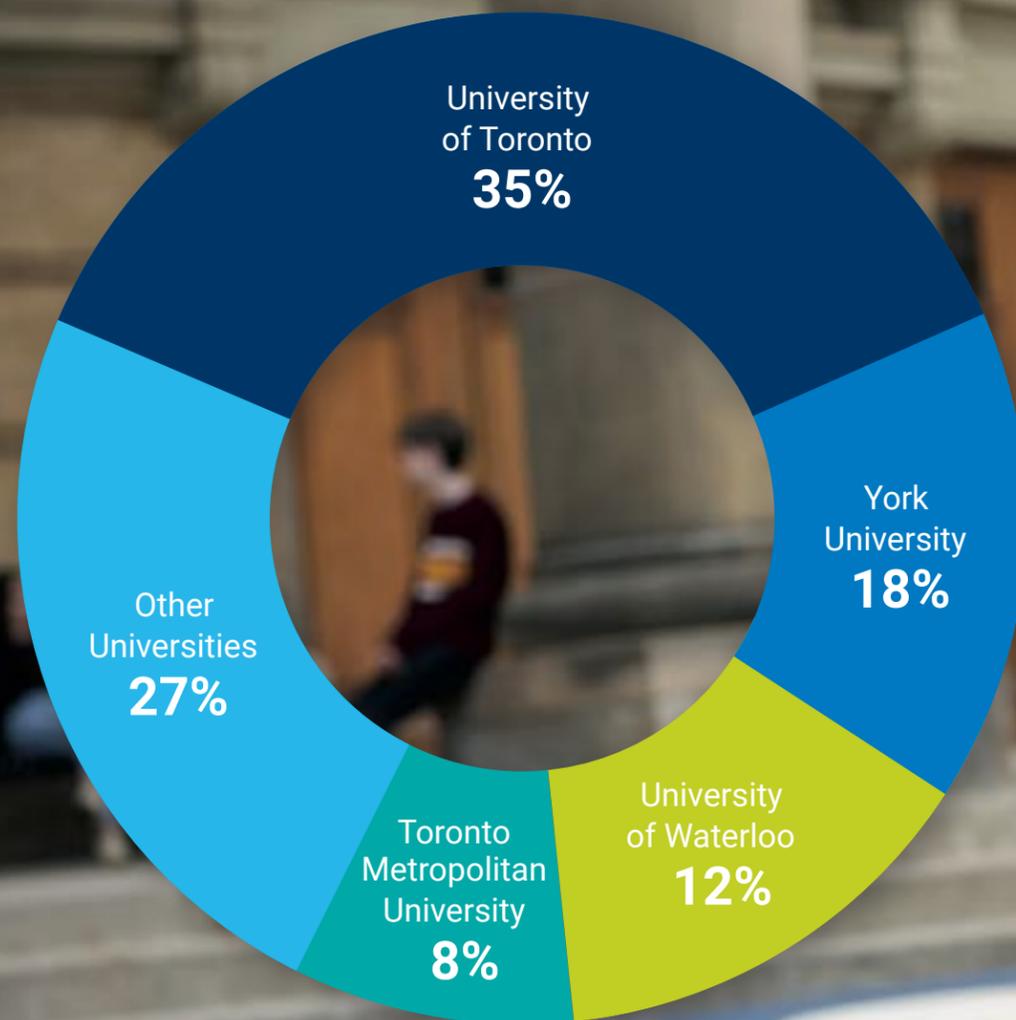
**Renaissance**  
**Scholarship**

Hundreds of scholarships  
available, automatically applied  
to new applications



# We put students *first*

For the last twelve years:



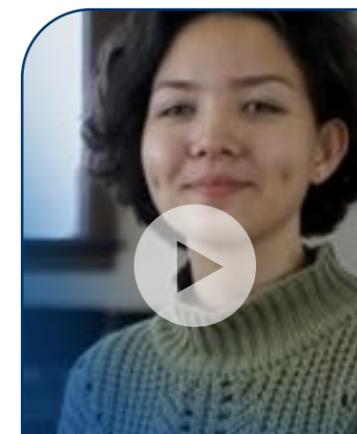
STUDENT SUPPORT COMMITMENT



TOP UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS



UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO



Meet some of our students



# Our homestay service



PERSONALIZED OPTIONS FROM OUR PORTFOLIO OF OVER 400 FAMILIES



ROUND THE CLOCK SECURITY AND SUPERVISION



ENGLISH IMMERSION



VALUABLE CULTURAL EXPERIENCE



OUR HOMESTAY COMMITMENT

1

WE SEND YOU A DETAILED HOMESTAY PROFILE BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

When the study permit is approved the student provides the school with flight information

2

Homestay coordinator provides two to three detailed options of potential homestay matches for the family and student to choose from

3

The student is met at the airport by our partners and safely driven to the homestay

4

The student is put into a comfortable room where he/she rests until the family takes him/her to Braemar for orientation

5

The student starts their studies at Braemar College



## OUR HOMESTAY COMMITMENT



We will place you with a caring and supportive Canadian homestay family that we know



Our families will provide you with your own furnished room



All our homestays have carried out a recent police record check



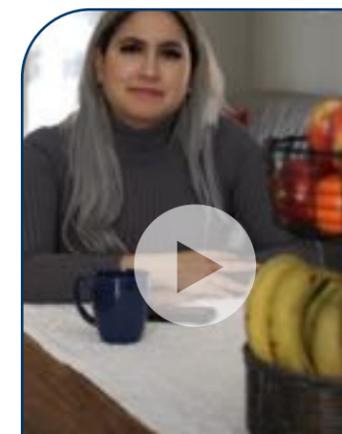
Most of our homestays are about 30-50 minutes from the school, accessible by public transportation



Clean, odour-free houses, Wi-Fi and three nutritious meals per day



If for any reason a student wishes to change homestays, he or she simply has to let the homestay coordinator know, and he or she will be given other homestays to visit



Braemar College Homestay Video



# Braemar Life Skills Academy



The *Braemar Life Skills Academy* is the educational arm of our Student Life program and encompasses all our non-academic programming. Through our online courses, learning workshops and weekly podcast, the BLSA seeks to understand the perspectives and practices that inform holistic health and lifelong learning, and to engage our community in this ongoing conversation through accessible, multimodal resources

Certificate Courses

Learning Labs

Workshops

Podcast

Student Programming

Thrive  
@Braemar



# Certificate courses

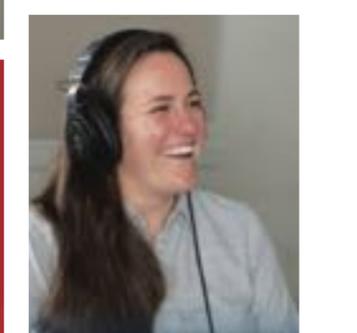
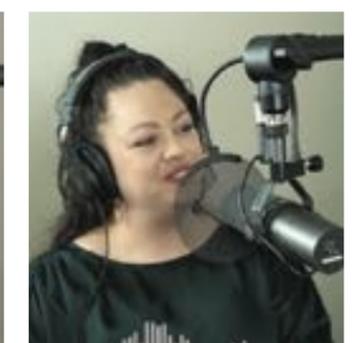
BLSA **Certificate** courses draw on recent and authoritative scholarship to introduce the foundations of wellbeing, provide effective tools for authentic personal growth, and guide students through the practices that help them achieve stability and success in their formal education, professional careers, and beyond.

**Red**  
Certificate

12 HOURS

**Blue**  
Certificate

55 HOURS



See our podcasts



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# Thrive @Braemar

## WELLBEING

The body and brain are so intimately connected as to be nearly indistinguishable. If the body is unwell, it is very difficult to be attentive and responsive in a learning environment. The *Thrive@Braemar* program offers daily opportunities for students to engage in activities that promote physical health, mental clarity, and emotional centredness, to optimize their learning experience.

## ENGAGEMENT

When the body is right, the mind is free to engage fully. But no one flourishes in isolation. Resilience is achieved through connection with the world around us and the sense of belonging that follows. *Thrive@Braemar* provides spaces for students to clarify their identities, express themselves, connect with others, explore their environment, and build relationships around shared values and mutual support.

## LEADERSHIP

The best indicator that someone is thriving is when they are able to turn their energy and attention outwards, to provide help to others even as they continue to pursue lifelong learning, health and fulfillment. Once Braemar students have established their wellbeing routines and their resilience networks, they are encouraged to expand their scope and consider how their personal strengths might be used in the service of others.

# Student Life



See our programming video



# How the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) works



UNIVERSITY

OSSD

IB

A  
LEVELS

## OSSD

- ✓ 18 Compulsory Credits
- ✓ 12 Elective Credits
- ✓ 40 hours community involvement
- ✓ Satisfy the Provincial Literacy requirement

## Thematic Pathways

### SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

English 12   Functions 12   Calculus 12   Chemistry 12   Physics 12   Biology 12

### BUSINESS\*

English 12   Functions 12   Elective 12   Elective 12   Elective 12   Elective 12

### HUMANITIES

English 12   Functions 12   Elective 12   Elective 12   Elective 12   Elective 12

### ART & DESIGN

English 12   Elective 12   Elective 12   Elective 12   Elective 12   Elective 12

### NURSING

English 12   Functions 12   Chemistry 12   Biology 12   Elective 12   Elective 12

Some programs also require Calculus 12

# Credit transfer



## COMPREHENSIVE TESTING

All students are tested in English and math to ensure they are in the most suitable class.



## CREDIT TRANSFER

If you have completed high school work in your home country, the guidance office would grant what are called equivalency credits. Students who have completed grade 11 or higher, and show a high level of ability on the Mathematics and English placement tests, may on that basis receive extra equivalency credits.



## PERSONALIZED STUDY PLAN

Drawing on the experience of two decades, our guidance team will draw up a personalized study plan, designed to get you from where you are to where you want to go, giving you, from the very beginning, a clear sense of the big picture.

# Academic transitions

## CREDITS GRANTED FOR EACH GRADE

Grade 9 → 8 credits

Grade 10 → 16 credits

Grade 11 → 24 credits\*

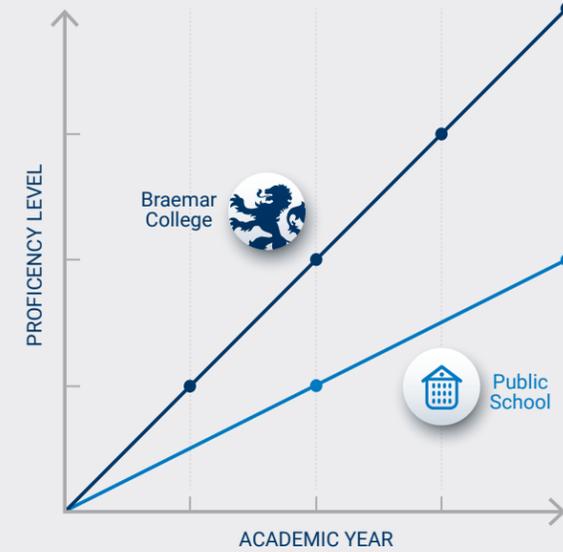
\*Based on the math and English placement tests. For each level below grade 12, credits are granted according to the following chart:

## HOW MANY CREDITS (COURSES) REQUIRED FOR THE GRADE 12 YEAR?

		MATH 12	MATH 11	MATH 10	MATH 9
<b>Level 7</b>	English 12	6	7	8	9
<b>Level 6</b>	English 11	7	8	9	10
<b>Level 5</b>	ESL E	8	9	10	11
<b>Level 4</b>	ESL D	9	10	11	12
<b>Level 3</b>	ESL C	10	11	12	13
<b>Level 2</b>	ESL B	11	12	13	14
<b>Level 1</b>	ESL A	12	13	14	14

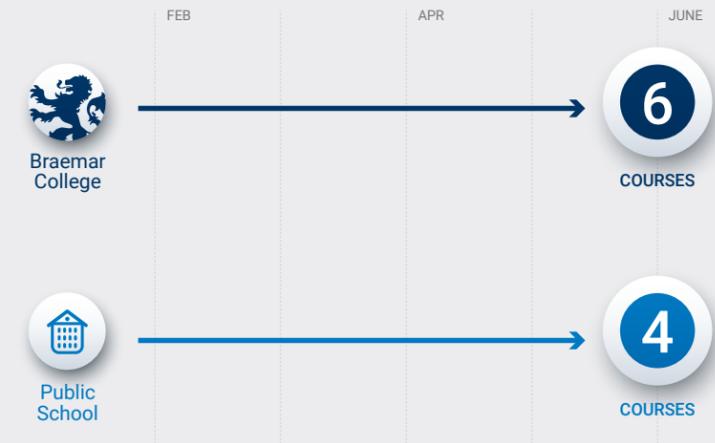
# Our innovative term system

## BRAEMAR COLLEGE ADVANTAGE



### LEARN FASTER: THE EXPRESS OPTION

Regular Braemar students take two courses per term. Express Option students take three. This is an intensified course of study suitable for ambitious, hard-working students who want to earn more credits in a shorter time.



### LEARN MORE: THE FAST-TRACK TERM SYSTEM

Because of the innovative design of our term system, Braemar College students are able to complete a total of four levels each academic year, compared to only two in most public schools.



# Our time-lines

## DAY

← For students who take our Express Option →

Period 1	Break	Period 1	Lunch	Period 2	Break	Period 2	Break	Period 3	Break	Period 3
9:15 am	10:45 - 11 am		12:00 - 1:00 pm		2:30 - 2:45 pm		3:45 - 4:00 pm		5:30 - 5:45 pm	6:45 pm

## WEEK

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Classes	Classes	Classes	Classes	Classes	Occational Activities
			Sports Night		

## TERM

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9
Orientation				Midterm				Final Exam

## YEAR

Term 1	Term 2	Christmas Break	Term 3	March Break	Term 4	Graduation	Summer Break	Term 5	Summer Break 2
September	November		February		April		July		September

Regular students 2 credits per term.  
Express option students 3 credits per term.

## HIGH SCHOOL

Grade 9	+	Grade 10	+	Grade 11	+	Grade 12
8 Credits		8 Credits		8 Credits		6 Credits

# High school

Braemar College high school is a welcoming and supportive place, designed to help young people get the most out of their education. We offer grades 9 to 12 of the Ontario Secondary School Curriculum, and our rich activity programming allows each student to develop his or her own special talents and abilities.

Start times	September, November, February, April, July
English level requirement	None—all levels possible
Academic requirement	Completion of equivalent of grade 8
Age range	13-19
Placement tests	Math and English
Evaluation	Midterm report every 5th week, report cards available end of 9-week term
Accreditation and diploma	Ontario Secondary School Credits with Ontario Secondary School Diploma



COMPREHENSIVE TESTING



CREDIT TRANSFER



ALL LEVELS ESL



PERSONALIZED STUDY PLAN



LEARN MORE (FAST-TRACK)



LEARN FASTER (EXPRESS OPTION)



ACTIVITIES

**Thrive @Braemar**

**Braemar Life Skills Academy**



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# Summer programs

## SUMMER ELITE TEEN PROGRAM

This is non-credit program for international high school students who wish to have a short-term academic high school study experience in Canada.

## SUMMER PROGRAM

A program for international high school students who wish to have a short-term academic high school study experience in Canada. Qualified students may receive up to 2 high school credits during the summer school. In addition, students may extend their high school education into the September intake.

Start times: First week of July

Placement tests: Math and English

Age range: 13-19

Trips: CN Tower, Canada's Wonderland, Niagara Falls

Summer Program  
Elite Teen

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7
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July

August

## Summer Activity Pass



NIAGARA FALLS



CANADA'S WONDERLAND



CN TOWER



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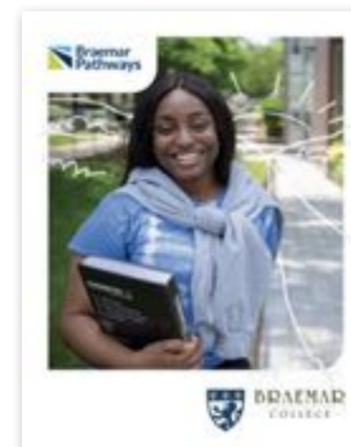
# Pathways program

International students are increasingly seeing the value of a Canadian college education. Our college pathways program moves students quickly through the material, both qualifying students for broad range of college programs and preparing them to do well when they get there.

Start times	September, November, February, April, July
English level requirement	Upper intermediate
Academic requirement	Equivalent of grade 11
Placement tests	Math and English
Evaluation	Midterm report every 5th week, report cards available end of 9-week term
Accreditation and diploma	Ontario Secondary School Credits with Ontario Secondary School Diploma



## Our Pathway Partners



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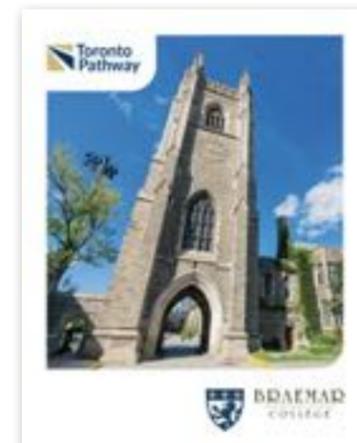
# Toronto Pathway

Drawing on almost three decades of experience, Braemar College's Toronto Pathway is a premium program designed to help international students meet the rigorous entry requirements of the University of Toronto.

Start times	September, November, February, April, July
English level requirement	Grade 10 or 11 equivalent, marks in the range of very good to excellent
Academic requirement	Equivalent of grade 11
Placement tests	Math and English
Evaluation	Detailed monthly reports, Midterm report every 5th week, report cards available end of 9-week term
Accreditation and diploma	Ontario Secondary School Credits with Ontario Secondary School Diploma



	Regular Pathway	Toronto Pathway
Letter of Acceptance	✓	✓
Letter of support from the University of Toronto	✗	✓
Interview with Braemar Admission	✗	✓
Pathway-related activities on the St. George Campus	✗	✓
One-on-one pathway support	✗	✓
Regular meetings with your Mentor	✗	✓
Course Tutoring	✗	✓
IELTS training and testing	✗	✓
Monthly reports to parents	✗	✓
Session with University of Toronto Recruitment team	✗	✓
TPP Entrance Scholarships	✗	✓



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# Our university partners



## UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Established in 1827, the University of Toronto is Canada's most important research institution. Leading academics globally have rated the University of Toronto number one in Canada and 18th in the world according to the 2020 Times Higher Education World University Rankings. Undergraduates can choose from the largest selection of programs and courses in Canada: over 800 in arts, science, and business alone. The University also has a wide range of professional programs including Architecture, Engineering, Kinesiology & Physical Education, Law, Medicine, Music, and Pharmacy. The quality and range of the programs attract students from nearly 170 countries.

*"The University of Toronto is one of Canada's leading universities and we are proud to partner with Braemar College, located just steps from our historic St. George campus. We are also very pleased to accept highly qualified graduates from Braemar with the top graduate each year receiving the Braemar College – University of Toronto Award of Excellence."*

*Ken Withers  
Director,  
University Student  
Recruitment,  
University of Toronto*



## Toronto Metropolitan University

Toronto Metropolitan University is Canada's leader in innovative, career-oriented education. Urban, culturally diverse and inclusive, the university is home to more than 39,000+ students from 140 different countries and 25,000+ alumni worldwide. The university's focus on innovation, entrepreneurship and a mission to serve societal need is highlighted through its unique zone learning option. Zone learning provides students with opportunities and resources to take ideas from concept to commercial viability and create sustainable new businesses or civic and social ventures. Toronto Metropolitan University offers over 60 undergraduate programs across six faculties: Arts, Community Services, Engineering and Architectural Science, Science, Ted Rogers School of Management and The Creative School. Our programs continually evolve to equip students with the knowledge and experiences to contribute, lead and adapt.

*"Toronto Metropolitan University is proud to partner with Braemar College, and we are honoured to support students in achieving academic excellence in their post-secondary studies. At Toronto Metropolitan University, we're dedicated to creating a culture of action where education and experience go hand-in-hand. We are an excellent fit for students who wish to study in an urban, cosmopolitan campus with direct access to professional industries."*

*Cheryl Ramage  
Associate Director,  
International Recruitment*



York offers a modern, academic experience in Toronto, Canada's most international city and is host to a dynamic community of students, faculty and staff with 260,000+ alumni worldwide. Our Faculties and 27 research centres conduct groundbreaking research, cutting across traditional academic boundaries. The University has two unique campuses. The Keele campus presents extensive facilities in a modern, self-contained environment and Glendon fosters future leaders with a liberal arts education in both English and French, on a scenic midtown campus. York's campuses offer a vibrant community for top scholars seeking a multi-cultural, cosmopolitan atmosphere. Due to strong admission standards, students may be required to present higher averages for programs such as Business, Engineering and other Science related majors with specific preparation in certain subject areas.

*"York University and Braemar College have enjoyed a long history of assisting students in achieving academic excellence. We are proud to be partners in student success."*

*Jock Phippen,  
Director Recruitment  
and Admissions,  
York University*



## UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

Year after year, Waterloo ranks as Canada's most innovative university. The world's largest co-op program – where students alternate school and paid work terms with 6,700 employers – makes Waterloo distinct. It's also why CEOs and corporate recruiters rate us #1 for career preparation.

Choose from more than 100 undergraduate programs in areas such as Applied Health Sciences, Arts, Business, Engineering, Environment, Mathematics, and Science.

With 50,000 university and college students, the community is student-focused and home to 150+ different ethnic backgrounds. The university is located in the city of Waterloo, 110 km west of Toronto, Canada's largest city.

*"The University of Waterloo enjoys a wonderful partnership with Braemar College. The academic- and student-focused community that Braemar offers has prepared many students for success at our university. When you begin to plan for post-secondary studies, I hope that you'll consider Waterloo. As Canada's most innovative university, we'll help you develop your ideas and accomplish anything you put your mind to."*

*Feridun Hamdullahpur  
President & Vice-Chancellor,  
University of Waterloo*





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