# Lakehead University logoLakehead University

**Thunder Bay and Orillia**

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## University Information

### Student Population

* Over 9,000 students across our Thunder and Orillia campuses.

### New Programs

* Through our partnerships with leading European business schools, students can apply to one of our international dual degree options, earning 2 degrees in 4 years:
  + Honours Bachelor of Commerce (Lakehead University) in their major of choice, with an Honours Bachelor of Arts in Business Management from Northumbria University.
  + Honours Bachelor of Commerce (Lakehead University) in their major of choice, with a Bachelor in Management from Rennes School of Business in Marketing, Finance and Banking, or Supply Chain.

### Program Changes

* Updates to admission requirements for Bachelor of Engineering (Software): English; Advanced Functions (with a minimum grade of 60%); Physics; 1 from Biology, Chemistry or Computer Science; and Computer Science and Calculus & Vectors are strongly recommended.

### Campus Tours and Events

* Book an in-person campus tour or visit our campuses virtually: [www.lakeheadu.ca/admissions/campus-tours](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/admissions/campus-tours).
* Students can take advantage of our campus tour bursary. We offer up to $500 in financial assistance to prospective students who are currently in Grade 12 and are travelling from a distance to experience Lakehead. | [www.lakeheadu.ca/admissions/  
  campus-tours/campus-tour-bursary](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/admissions/campus-tours/campus-tour-bursary)
* For information on these and other events, visit: [www.lakeheadu.ca/future-students/events](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/future-students/events).

## Admission and Transition Information

### Fall Offer of Admission

* We review applications and extend offers of admission on a rolling basis. Students can review their offers via [our](about:blank) student portal.

### Alternative Offers of Admission

* If a student meets our general admission requirements but does not meet their program‑specific requirements, we will automatically consider them for an alternative program.

### Accessibility Services

* Student Accessibility Services (SAS) provides support and services for students with temporary and/or permanent disabilities or medical conditions through approved academic accommodations.  
  <https://lakeheadu.ca/ssc>
* SAS staff collaborate with students and faculty to develop strategies for a successful learning experience, while maintaining the academic standards and integrity of the University.
* Email us at: [sas@lakeheadu.ca](mailto:sas@lakeheadu.ca).
* Learn more at: [www.lakeheadu.ca/students/student-life/  
  student-services/accessibility](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/students/student-life/student-services/accessibility).

### Grade 11 Grades

* We may extend early offers of admission based on exceptional Grade 11 academic grades, conditional upon the student meeting all requirements, as outlined in their offer.

### Supplemental Application

* There are no supplemental applications for students applying directly from high school.
* Exceptions: For applicants to the Bachelor of Music, an audition is required. For applicants to Media, Film & Communications, a portfolio is required.

### Ranking on OUAC Application

* We will assess students for admission to all programs they apply to, regardless of ranking on the OUAC application. Qualified students may receive offers to all programs they apply to.

### Tuition Deposit

* A $200 non-refundable deposit is due by June 2, 2025, to secure a student’s spot in their program.

### First-year Course Selection Process

* Registration will open for first-year students in mid-June. We offer Fast Pass Registration Workshops to assist new students through the registration process and course selection. <http://howtoregister.lakeheadu.ca>

### Support for Transition to University

* We offer summer, fall and winter orientation programming experiences to ensure a successful transition to university. <http://orientation.lakeheadu.ca>
* We offer programming to help high school students make the transition to higher education, including preparatory courses to support the development of academic knowledge and skills.

[www.lakeheadu.ca/students/academic-success/  
student-success-centre](https://www.lakeheadu.ca/students/academic-success/student-success-centre)

* Welcome Week offers new students the opportunity to participate in a variety of events to help familiarize them with their new campus community and prepare for university-level learning.

### Dual Credits/SHSM Programs

* We do not recognize dual credits.
* Graduates of select SHSMs (Arts & Culture, Business, Environment, Health & Wellness, Mining or Sports) may be eligible to receive a $500 SHSM Award.   
  [www.lakeheadu.ca/future-students/scholarships](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/future-students/scholarships)

### English Proficiency Requirements

* We offer multiple ways to meet our English-language proficiency requirements: [www.lakeheadu.ca/studentcentral/applying/  
  english-language-proficiency-requirements](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/studentcentral/applying/english-language-proficiency-requirements) .
* To satisfy English-language proficiency requirements, applicants can complete one of the recognized language tests with the required minimum score. We accept CAEL, Cambridge Academic English, Duolingo, IELTS, Michigan English Test, PTE Academic and TOEFL. We also accept certain senior-level English courses at the high school level.
* Applicants who do not meet the English-language proficiency requirements but meet academic admission requirements will be automatically considered for admission through the Academic English Program (AEP). Once they complete the AEP, they may proceed into an academic program.

## Admission Policies

### Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB)

* AP: Applicants who achieved a minimum grade of 4 on the placement exam may receive advanced standing credit, which they may use toward meeting course requirements.
* Engineering programs are not eligible for AP transfer credit.
* We will grant advanced standing upon receipt of an official transcript from the College Board.
* IB: We consider applicants with an IB diploma if the diploma includes the subject area requirements for the chosen program of study. A minimum total score of 24 is required. We may consider IB applicants for advanced standing credit in some subjects with a score of 5 or higher.
* Engineering programs are not eligible for IB advanced standing credit.
* We will grant advanced standing upon receipt of an official transcript from IB.

### Deferral

* Students who received an offer of admission may request a deferral for 1 year (excluding International Dual Degree programs).

[www.lakeheadu.ca/studentcentral/applying/deferral-of-admission](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/studentcentral/applying/deferral-of-admission)

### Repeated Courses

* We will use the highest grade to calculate admission and scholarship averages.

### Special Consideration

* We give equal consideration to students with an identified disability when Individual Education Plans were in use in their high school program. Students with additional extenuating circumstances that impact their admissibility should contact Admissions for consideration.

### Summer/Night School, Virtual/e-Learning, Private School and Correspondence Courses

* We accept all Ministry-approved courses regardless of the mode of instruction.
* Students must supply transcripts for courses outside of their regular school program. Students must submit summer school courses by August 15, 2025.

### Transfer Credit

* We will consider college applicants with 1 complete year of   
  full-time study and a 70% average for admission.
* We will consider university‑level coursework with a minimum 60% for transfer credit.
* We automatically consider transfer credits as part of the application process.

[www.lakeheadu.ca/studentcentral/applying/  
general-admission-requirements](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/studentcentral/applying/general-admission-requirements)

## Scholarship and Financial Aid Information

### Bursaries

* Up to $3,000 for the Destination Lakehead Bursary for students entering postsecondary studies for the first time.
* Application deadlines are April 15 and June 30, 2025. Students can apply through their student portal.

### Automatic Entrance Scholarships

* Guaranteed entrance scholarships for full-time, first-year students with an admission average of 80% or higher in Grade 12 U/M courses (or equivalent).
* Entrance scholarships range from $750 to free domestic tuition. These scholarships are renewable annually, provided the student maintains scholarship average.  
  [www.lakeheadu.ca/entrance-scholarships](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/entrance-scholarships)

### Additional Scholarships

* Presidential Scholarship: $30,000 total value ($7,500 per year).

[www.lakeheadu.ca/future-students/scholarships](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/future-students/scholarships)

* Alumni Entrance Award: $10,000 ($2,500 per year).

<https://alumni.lakeheadu.ca/engage/nominate>

### Scholarship Deadline

* No deadline for the Guaranteed Entrance Scholarships.
* April 25, 2025, for the Presidential Scholarship.

## Residence Information

### Deposit Fee

* $250

### Guaranteed Residence

* Guaranteed to all high school students, provided they accept their offer of admission and submit their online residence registration and $250 down payment by the registration deadline.

### Residence Options

* Thunder Bay Campus:
  + Residence halls (inclusive meal plan; all first-year students are guaranteed a room)
  + Apartments
  + Townhouses (optional meal plans available)
* Orillia Campus:
  + Residence halls (declining meal plan)

### Online Application

* [www.lakeheadu.ca](https://www.lakeheadu.ca) (via our student portal)

### Application Deadline

* June 2, 2025

# NotesQuick Compare Tool

[www.ontariouniversitiesinfo.ca/guidance](about:blank)

The OUAC Editor will input your changes into the tool.

## Admission Information

### Are Grade 11 marks considered in the admission process?

x Yes

☐ On a case-by-case basis

☐ No

### Are admission deferrals granted?

x Yes

☐ On a case-by-case basis

☐ No

### Are dual credits/SHSM considered in the admission process?

☐ Yes

x No

### Is OUAC ranking considered?

☐ Yes

x No

### Do you offer campus visit subsidies?

x Yes

☐ No

### How much is the tuition deposit?

$200

## Residence

### How much is the deposit for residence?

$250

### Is residence guaranteed?

x Yes

☐ Yes, with conditions

☐ No

### What is the 2025 residence application deadline?

June 2

### Residence options:

x Dorm

x Apartment/Suite

x Townhouse

### Where can students apply for residence?

## https://www.lakeheadu.caScholarships and Entrance Awards

### What is the automatic entrance scholarship admission average?

80%+

### Are entrance scholarships renewable?

x Yes

☐ No

☐ See details

### What is the entrance scholarship value range?

$750-free tuition

### Are prerequisites considered in determining scholarship amounts?

☐ Yes

x No

### Is an application required?

☐ Yes

☐ No

x Some scholarships