



**Unlocking Potential,  
Inspiring Growth!**

**NORTH YOTK ACADEMY**

# **ADMISSION VIEWBOOK**

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**2025**

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# Letter from the Principal:

I have been the Principal of North York Academy since 2019 and am excited about continuing the great leaps forward that we have made at our school since that time.

The mission of North York Academy is to be the most engaging, positive and academically challenging school in the Canada for both international and Canadian students.

Every year we welcome students from countries all over the world such as China, Brazil, Mozambique, Uganda, Kenya, and India. This incredibly diverse student body ensures that the learning atmosphere at our school is stimulating, eye-opening, inspiring and fun.



**Principal**  
**Mr. Demosthenes Aliferis**

Our graduates all earn an Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) after completing their Grade 12 year. This OSSD from Ontario is universally recognized as the representing a high standard of academic achievement and can be used to apply to Colleges and Universities in Canada, The United States, Europe and Asia. I am proud to report that 100% of our students earn an OSSD, and 90% of our graduates receive offers of admission from their first choice of college or university. Our students have received offers from prestigious institutions such as the University of Toronto, the University of Waterloo, the Ontario College of Art and Design (OCAD) and Queen's University.

I am also pleased to announce that over 75 students have joined our online international student program where students can sign up for online courses which they can complete from the comfort of their own homes. Students can sign up for one or two courses, or as many as they need to earn an OSSD from their home country if they choose to do so.

But life at North York Academy is much more than just books and exams. Our student get involved in a great variety of extracurricular clubs such as Debating, Math Club, Chess Club, Anime, Photography, Student Council and many more. They can stay healthy and fit with a membership at our sister athletic club F45, or sign up to join a volleyball, basketball, or hockey game at the Community Athletic centre one block away. Our students especially enjoy our many guest speakers and field trips to the Art Gallery, the Royal Ontario Museum, the CN Tower, Niagara Falls, and many other interesting places and events in Ontario. These are just some of the great opportunities at North York Academy for our students to get to know each other, the world around them, and themselves.

I look forward to another exciting year at North York Academy, working together with our exceptional staff and our inspirational students. We will become the best that we can be.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Demo Aliferis". The signature is fluid and cursive, written on a white background.

# WHY CHOOSE NYA?

Located in the North York district of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, NYA is situated at the heart of Canada's premium educational resources. Our school enjoys access to top-tier academic networks, while students benefit from Canada's safe and multicultural community environment.



**Offers credit transfer programs with U.S. and Canadian universities**



**90% of graduates are admitted to their first-choice universities**



**Small-class teaching model with an 8:1 student-teacher ratio**



**100% graduation rate**

Guided by our school motto "Unlocking Potential Inspiring Growth" we are committed to building an educational ecosystem that values both academic excellence and character development. At North York Academy, every student has the opportunity to explore their interests and passions. **Our mission extends beyond enhancing academic abilities - we continuously innovate to help each student reach their full potential, respect every family, constantly improve student services, and dedicate ourselves to nurturing well-rounded young scholars with global perspectives and compassionate spirits.**



## WHY CHOOSE NYA?

As an Ontario-registered physical and online school (BSID #883987), NYA offers the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) program for grades 9-12. **Our student body includes various cultural backgrounds across the globe from South America, Asia, North America, Africa, and beyond, with students from around the world forming the cornerstone of our campus culture.**

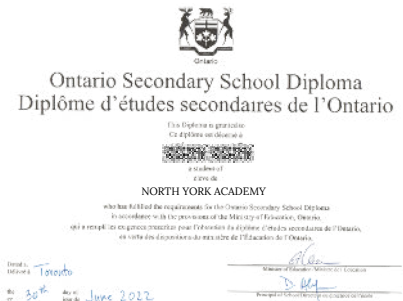


**To ensure educational continuity, NYA has established strong partnerships with multiple higher education institutions in Canada and the United States.** Through systematic university counselling & guidance, US university credit courses, and customized application support, we create global pathways for our graduates. **Since 2019, North York Academy has maintained a 100% graduation rate, with 90% of graduates admitted to Canada's top 10 ranked universities, and 90% of graduates who went to their first choice of universities.**



# THE NYA APPROACH - WHAT MAKES OUR OSSD PROGRAM DIFFERENT?

**At NYA, we believe true education unlocks global opportunities.**



## Dual-Alignment Design:

Unlike conventional OSSD programs, NYA's curriculum synchronizes with:

- **Admission requirements** of top-tier universities
- **Skill demands** of rapidly-evolving industries



**We base our program on admission requirements of top North American universities and specialized programs, offering highly specialized OSSD courses for students to select and combine,** seamlessly connecting with learning demands in cutting-edge fields such as engineering, computer science, fintech, and data science.

Simultaneously, **through interdisciplinary curriculum integration and university-level advanced placement programs,** we systematically cultivate academic research capabilities, critical thinking, and industry-adapted skills, ensuring students not only meet admission thresholds but also demonstrate professional preparedness surpassing their peers. We begin with the end in mind to define future competitiveness.

## UNIVERSITY MAJORS & COURSE ALIGNMENT



S.T.E.A.M	Engineering Science
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English (ENG4U)</li> <li>Functions (MHF4U)</li> <li>Calculus and Vectors (MCV4U)</li> <li>Data Management (MDM4U)</li> <li>Computer Sciences (ISC4U)</li> <li>Physics (SPH4U)</li> <li>Chemistry (SCH4U)</li> <li>Data Science Research (IDC4U)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English (ENG4U)</li> <li>Functions (MHF4U)</li> <li>Calculus and Vectors (MCV4U)</li> <li>Data Management (MDM4U)</li> <li>Computer Sciences (ISC4U)</li> <li>Physics (SPH4U)</li> <li>Data Science Research (IDC4U)</li> <li>Manufacturing Technology (TMJ4M)</li> </ul>
Business and Finance	Digital and Visual Arts
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English (ENG4U)</li> <li>Functions (MHF4U)</li> <li>Calculus and Vectors (MCV4U)</li> <li>Data Management (MDM4U)</li> <li>Economics (CIA4U)</li> <li>Financial Accounting (BAT4M)</li> <li>Business Leadership (BOH4M)</li> <li>Data Science Research (IDC4U)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English (ENG4U)</li> <li>Visual Arts (AVI4M)</li> <li>Media Arts (ASM4M)</li> <li>Fashion (HNB4M)</li> <li>Photography (AWQ4M)</li> <li>Communications Technology (TGJ4M)</li> <li>Data Science Research (IDC4U)</li> <li>One additional 4M/4U course</li> </ul>

## COLLEGE DIPLOMAS & COURSE ALIGNMENT



Science and Technology	Health Sciences
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English (ENG4U)</li> <li>Functions (MHF4U)</li> <li>Data Science Research (IDC4U)</li> <li>Data Management (MDM4U)</li> <li>Manufacturing Technology (TMJ4M)</li> <li>Communications Technology (TGJ4M)</li> <li>Two additional 4M/4U courses</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English (ENG4U)</li> <li>Chemistry (SCH4U)</li> <li>Data Science Research (IDC4U)</li> <li>Human Growth (HHG4M)</li> <li>Communications Technology (TGJ4M)</li> <li>Business Leadership (BOH4M)</li> <li>Two additional 4M/4U courses</li> </ul>
Business Management	Art and Design
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English (ENG4U)</li> <li>Functions (MHF4U)</li> <li>Data Science Research (IDC4U)</li> <li>Data Management (MDM4U)</li> <li>Communications Technology (TGJ4M)</li> <li>International Business (BBB4M)</li> <li>Business Leadership (BOH4M)</li> <li>Financial Accounting (BAT4M)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English (ENG4U)</li> <li>Data Science Research (IDC4U)</li> <li>Visual Arts (AVI4M)</li> <li>Media Arts (ASM4M)</li> <li>Fashion (HNB4M)</li> <li>Photography (AWQ4M)</li> <li>Communications Technology (TGJ4M)</li> <li>One additional 4M/4U courses</li> </ul>

# ACCELERATED TOP NORTH AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES PATHWAY

## Redefining the efficiency and reliability of international education.

North York Academy (NYA) offers an Accelerated Top North American Universities Pathway Program through our collaborations with Davis University (USA) to Northeastern University (USA, Top 53), and York University (Canada).



Through systematic credit articulation design, students bypass the complexities and uncertainties of traditional application processes:

After completing NYA's joint curriculum with Davis University, they can seamlessly enter **Year 3 (junior standing)** at top institutions like Northeastern University and York University in high-demand undergraduate programs - ranging from **Computer Engineering** and **Data Science** to **New Media programs** - ensuring graduates possess both academic competitiveness and industry relevance.

This pathway allows students to complete their **Grade 12 to Master's journey in just 5 years** (traditional pathway 7 years minimum) graduating from top North American universities and starting your career **two years ahead of their peers.**

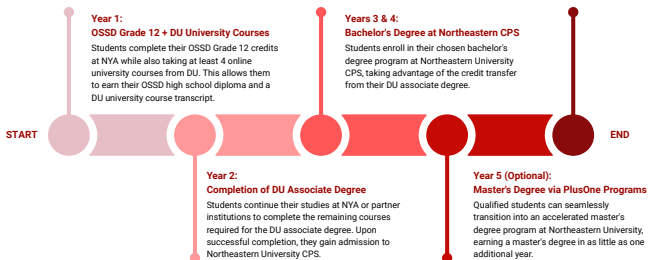
## WHY IT'S UNMATCHED?

### **This isn't just a program—it's a strategic life accelerator.**

By compressing timelines, eliminating risks, and aligning with top-tier institutions, NYA delivers a ROI (return on investment)-focused education where every year translates to tangible, career-defining outcomes.

	NYA Pathway	Regular Pathway
Year One	G12 High School Curriculum + Online Courses	G12 High School Curriculum
Result	High School Diploma (OSSD) + First Year University Credit	High School Diploma (OSSD)
Challenge	Smoothly Transition to University Transfer Program (UTP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Low Acceptance Rate at Top Universities Programs</li> <li>Competing with high school graduates from all over the world</li> <li>High GPA &amp; English Proficiency Requirements</li> </ul>
Year Two	Davis University Courses (Online Optional)	First Year in University
Result	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Associated bachelor's degree + Year Two University Credit (Transferable to 90% US Universities)</li> <li>No English Proficiency Requirements</li> <li>No Complications for Applications</li> <li>Ready to start 3<sup>rd</sup> Year in Top North American Universities</li> <li>US Option: Northeastern University</li> <li>Canada Option: York University</li> </ul>	First Year University Credit
Year Three	Third Year University	Second Year University
Result	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One year Away from Graduation, exploring co-op options</li> </ul> <b>You are already 1 year ahead!</b>	Second Year University Credit
Year Four	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Last Year of bachelor's Program</li> <li>Getting ready for master's degree/Starting career</li> </ul>	Third Year University
Result	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bachelor's Degree Received!</li> <li>Option to opt in for Accelerated Master's Program at Northeastern University (only takes one year)</li> <li>Or start your career right away!</li> </ul>	Third Year University Credit
Year Five	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Master's Program at Northeastern University</li> <li>Or First Year in your Career</li> </ul>	Fourth Year University
Result	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Master's degree received!</li> <li>Starting you career with a master's degree from a world class university</li> </ul> <b>You are now 2 years ahead of your peers!</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Receive bachelor's degree</li> <li>Facing the same challenges applying for a quality a master's Program</li> </ul>
Year Six	Third Year into your career	First Year Master's degree
Result	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Research shows: Graduating 2 years early <b>unlocks 2+ extra years of full-time experience</b> – statistically doubling promotion velocity to management roles (28 vs. 26 avg. age)</li> </ul>	Halfway in to Graduating from master's Program
Year Seven	Fourth Year into your career	Second Year Master's degree
Result	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Research shows: <b>Career headways</b> can boost lifetime earnings by <b>\$1.2M+</b>. Early career starters gain critical seniority in fast-evolving fields (AI/FinTech), while peers are still in classrooms.</li> </ul>	Congrats! You have completed master's Program!

# Pathway: NYA > Davis University > Northeastern University



## Recommended Direct Admission Majors at Northeastern University:



### Bachelor of Science in Management

Equips students with essential business skills in areas like accounting, marketing, project management, and entrepreneurship. Features AACSB accreditation, experiential learning opportunities, and optional concentrations in Entrepreneurship and Digital Marketing.



### Bachelor of Science in Digital Communication and Media

Prepares students for the evolving field of digital media. Offers a STEM-designated program, hands-on experience through a Virtual PR Firm, and a focus on emerging technologies like augmented reality, virtual reality, and artificial intelligence.



### Bachelor of Science in Project Management

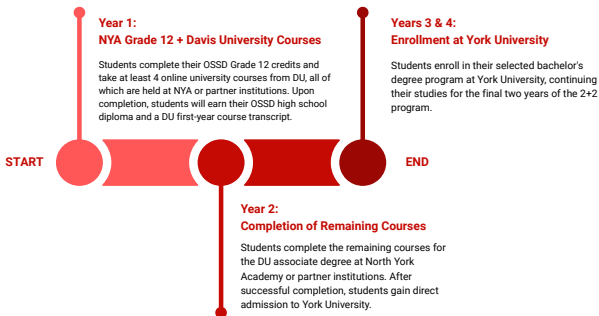
Provides a comprehensive education in project planning, execution, and management. Features a STEM-designated program, experiential learning through real-world projects and simulations, and an industry-aligned curriculum designed in collaboration with experts.



# Pathway: NYA > Davis University > York University



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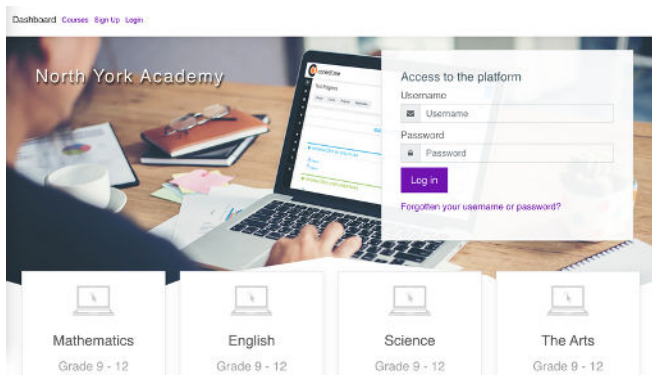


## Direct admission to the following Schools & Majors at York Universities

- **Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies (LA&PS)**  
Offers programs in Commerce, Communication & Media Studies, and Information Technology
- **Faculty of Health**  
Offers a top-ranked Psychology program, ranked 75th in the world and 4th in Canada
- **Lassonde School of Engineering**  
Offers programs in Computer Science and Digital Media Arts, blending technical excellence with creative innovation
- **School of the Arts, Media, Performance & Design**  
Offers a comprehensive Visual Arts Study – The History of Art program with a focus on historical analysis and contemporary art theory



# ONLINE LEARNING PLATFORM



North York Academy's online learning platform ([mycourses.nyatoronto.ca](http://mycourses.nyatoronto.ca)) provides efficient and convenient learning support, fully meeting the needs of diverse students. Students can access course content anytime, anywhere, and flexibly arrange their learning schedule for effective self-paced study. Teachers offer online Q&A and provide regular feedback to ensure maximum learning outcomes. The platform covers all credit courses from Grade 9 to 12, offering comprehensive online learning options. **Students can take North York Academy's online OSSD courses from anywhere in the world and earn officially recognized OSSD credits.**

# NYA SCHOLARSHIPS

North York Academy Scholarships: North York Academy is dedicated to inspiring outstanding students and offers two types of scholarships to encourage continuous excellence in academics and personal growth. Students may apply for both scholarships simultaneously, but can only receive one of them.

- **Academic Scholarship:** For academically outstanding students, a scholarship of **up to 50% of tuition** is awarded to recognize their exceptional academic abilities and learning potential.
- **Merit Scholarship:** Awarded to students who demonstrate excellence in leadership, community service, the arts, or other fields, with a scholarship of up to **\$6,000 CAD**.



## HOW TO APPLY?

**<https://nyatoronto.ca/apply/>**

The school encourages all eligible students to apply. Through a fair and impartial selection process, we ensure that outstanding students receive the recognition and support they deserve, providing a solid foundation for their future development.

# MEET OUR FACULTY TEAM



## **MR. DEMOSTHENES ALIFERIS**

### **PRINCIPAL**

The principal of North York Academy has over 40 years of experience in education, spanning both secondary and post-secondary levels. He previously served as an administrator at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE) and as the Director of Admissions at the University of Toronto Schools (UTS). His extensive experience in both public and private education systems, combined with a global perspective and multicultural approach, fosters an inclusive and enriching learning atmosphere at North York Academy, supporting students' holistic development.



## **MR. KRISHNA BHATT**

### **ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF STUDENT AFFAIRS, COMPLIANCE OFFICER, AND HEAD TEACHER**

Holds an Honours Bachelor of Science in Human Biology from the University of Toronto and certifications in AI and project management. Specializing in interdisciplinary curriculum design, he mentors students in national STEM competitions while teaching Grades 10–12 Science, Math, Arts, and Business through the Socratic method to cultivate critical thinking and leadership.

## **MS. REBECCA POMPILI**

### **HEAD OF ENGLISH DEPARTMENT**

Holds a Master of Education and Bachelor of Education from the University of Toronto and Wilfrid Laurier University, respectively. A proven leader in secondary English and ESL curriculum design, her expertise spans international classrooms, language training, and inclusive pedagogy, solidifying her as a dynamic force in academic excellence.



# MEET OUR FACULTY TEAM



**MS. ZARISH JAWAD**

**ONTARIO CERTIFIED TEACHER - SCIENCE**

Holds a Bachelor of Medical Sciences from Western University and brings expertise in Ontario secondary school science curricula. She has mentored diverse learners while aligning lessons with the Ministry of Education in Canada evaluation standards. Committed to fostering student success, she tailors her approach to individual learning styles while cultivating critical thinking and scientific proficiency.

**MS. PAIGE PRIMEAU**

**ONTARIO CERTIFIED TEACHER - SCIENCE**

Holds an Honours Bachelor of Science in Life Sciences from McMaster University. Her expertise spans anatomy, global health, and evidence-based practice, supported by roles in healthcare administration and youth mentorship. She has designed health education workshops for CampMed and implemented safety protocols in school settings, fostering critical thinking and scientific curiosity. Committed to interdisciplinary learning, she bridges academic rigor with real-world application.



**MR. RAY M. ARFAE**

**ESL TEACHER**

TESL-Canada certified educator with 10+ years' experience in IELTS/TOEFL prep (British Council-certified), Business English, and EAP programs. Expert in tech-integrated instruction (Zoom, LMS) and fostering inclusive, results-focused learning.

**MS. ROSEANNE MENEZES**

**ONTARIO CERTIFIED TEACHER - ENGLISH**

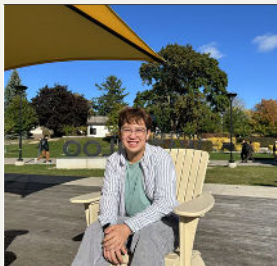
Holds a BEd and BA in Sociology (Minor: French) from York University. With experience teaching ESL, French, English, and Social Sciences (Grades 7–12), she specializes in adaptive curriculum design and personalized instruction for diverse learners. Skilled in classroom management and administrative coordination, she combines pedagogical expertise with operational agility to foster student growth.



# UNIVERSITY DESTINATION FOR OUR GRADUATES



## ALUMNI LETTERS

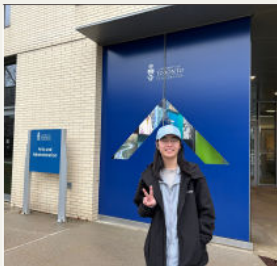


**DOORFIN**

**2024 Outstanding Graduate**  
**Currently studying at**  
**University of Waterloo**

"North York Academy brings together students from around the world. The school's advanced educational system not only helps students smoothly transition from high school to university but also cultivates their academic abilities and overall competencies.

One of the most valuable experiences at North York Academy is working on team projects with classmates. Teamwork not only improves efficiency but also broadens perspectives and fosters problem-solving skills, making students more confident and composed when facing future challenges."



**EDDIE**

**2024 Outstanding Graduate**  
**Currently studying at**  
**University of Toronto**

"At North York Academy, a harmonious and close-knit relationship is established between teachers and students, creating a warm and trusting learning environment. Communication between the school and students is active and frequent, with the administration maintaining flexibility and strong support. The school is able to fully understand and adapt to the unique needs of each student, ensuring that they receive the most suitable guidance and assistance for both their academic and personal growth."

## ALUMNI LETTERS



**TAO**

**2023 Outstanding Graduate**  
**Currently studying at**  
**McMaster University**

"Every day at North York Academy is a cherished memory for me, especially the laughter and lively discussions in class, which were the most relaxed and joyful moments.

For me, the greatest highlight of North York Academy is the teachers. They are not only experienced educators but also guides on the students' growth journey. Here, students can ask teachers questions at any time and receive patient guidance and support. This open and warm learning environment has been incredibly beneficial to me."



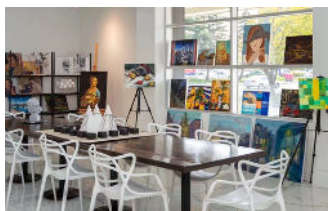
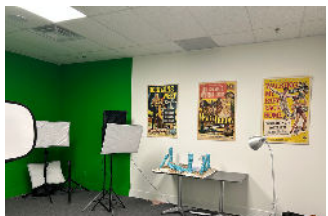
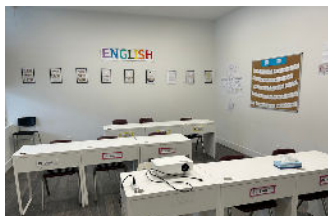
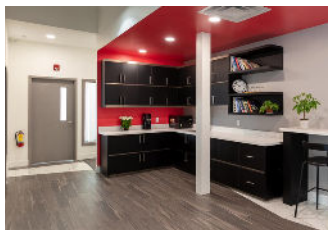
**MARK**

**2023 Outstanding Graduate**  
**Currently studying at**  
**York University**

"As a 2023 graduate, my advice to new students is: focus on your classroom studies while preparing for the IELTS exam in advance. If you encounter any issues, don't hesitate to ask your teachers for guidance. Enjoy campus life and cherish the time spent with your classmates, creating beautiful and unforgettable memories at North York Academy!"



## OUR CAMPUS



# STUDENT LIFE



## OUR PARTNERS



The CENTRE for EDUCATION in  
MATHEMATICS and COMPUTING



## HONOUR & AWARDS

NYA talents were ranked 28th in national high schools and 12th in private schools in the 2022 University of Waterloo Euclid Mathematics Competition; our school team was awarded the champion medal in the 2022 University of Waterloo Mathematics and Computing Contests; ranked 26th in national high schools and 10th in private schools in the 2023 University of Waterloo Euclid Mathematics Competition.

# FEES & APPLICATION PROCESS

## TUITION FEES & SCHOLARSHIPS

- Tuition Fee: \$22,800 CAD/Year
- University Accelerated Pathway Program: \$36,800 CAD/Year
- Ontario Student Insurance: \$650 CAD/Year
- Academic Scholarship: Up to 50% of tuition
- Merit Scholarship: Up to \$6,000 CAD

## HOME STAY & GUARDIANSHIP

- Homestay Fees: \$2,000 - \$2,500 CAD/Month, including three meals per day and transportation (fees may vary depending on the homestay situation)
- Guardianship: \$2,500 CAD/Month

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## APPLICATION & ADMISSION PROCESS

### Application Materials:

- Complete the application form
- Provide high school transcripts
- Provide passport information page or ID card
- Application fee: \$200 CAD/Student

### Application Process:

- Once all applications materials have been submitted, our admission officers will contact applicant and arrange an interview if needed.
- Once the application has been approved, admissions officer will issue a conditional offer letter and payment notice.
- After receiving tuition payment, our admissions office will issue an official admission letter to support visa application if needed.
- Students moving to Canada need to obtain a study permit and visa.
- Students must complete enrolment at North York Academy before designated enrolment deadline.



# THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING NYA!

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