

# GENERAL ARTS AND SCIENCE - SHKI MIIKAN (NEW ROAD)

**Program:** GASK  
**Credential:** Ontario College Certificate  
**Delivery:** Full-time  
**Length:** 2 Semesters  
**Duration:** 1 Year  
**Effective:** Fall 2019  
**Location:** Barrie

## Description

During this foundation year, students embark on a personal journey of discovery. Students develop a solid academic base, assess education and career options, and develop self-management skills. Through Indigenous language and teachings, students explore their sense of cultural identity. Traditional teachings and smudging are integrated daily throughout each academic semester in social activities, individual program courses, and Traditional Teacher/Elder visits.

Please note: Indigenous includes First Nations, Métis, Inuit, and Non Status People.

## Career Opportunities

Graduates may use the Shki Miikan foundation year as a pathway to further studies at the college level. Others may choose to seek employment in supportive occupations requiring a general education or with organizations that prefer to administer their own training program.

## Program Learning Outcomes

The graduate has reliably demonstrated the ability to:

- articulate aspects of one's identity in order to embark on a path towards a lifelong wellness journey;
- examine personal accountability, professionalism, and ethical behaviour;
- identify generational factors that contribute to health, social, entrepreneurial and economic issues affecting Indigenous communities;
- discuss cultural awareness and sensitivity through an exploration of Indigenous culture, language, tradition, and healing;
- show awareness of cultural diversification;
- plan and prepare a variety of communications and presentations;
- identify environmental sustainable practices in the community to preserve the culture and traditions.

## The Program Progression

### Fall Intake

- **Sem 1:** Fall 2019
- **Sem 2:** Winter 2020

## Admission Requirements

OSSD or equivalent with

- Grade 12 English (C or U)

Mature students, non-secondary school applicants (19 years or older), and home school applicants may also be considered for admission. Eligibility may be met by applicants who have taken equivalent courses, upgrading, completed their GED, and equivalency testing. For complete details refer to: [www.georgiancollege.ca/admissions/policies-procedures/](http://www.georgiancollege.ca/admissions/policies-procedures/) (<http://www.georgiancollege.ca/admissions/policies-procedures/>)

Applicants who have taken courses from a recognized and accredited post-secondary institution and/or have relevant life/learning experience may also be considered for admission; refer to the Credit Transfer Centre website for details:

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## Graduation Requirements

- 8 Program Courses
- 2 Communications Courses
- 2 General Education Courses

## Graduation Eligibility

To graduate from this program, the passing weighted average for promotion through each semester, and to graduate is 60%. Additionally, a student must attain a minimum of 50% or a letter grade of P (Pass) or S (Satisfactory) in each course in each semester unless otherwise stated on the course outline.

## Program Tracking

Semester 1		Hours
Program Courses		
COMP 1003	Microcomputer Applications	42
GNED 1010	Ojibwe Language and Culture 1	42
INDG 1000	Personal Growth and Development	42
INDG 1001	Indigenous Heritage, Tradition and Culture	42
Communications Course		
Select 1 course from the communications list during registration.		42
General Education Course		
Select 1 course from the general education list during registration.		42
Hours		252
Semester 2		
Program Courses		
GNED 2055	Ojibwe Language and Culture 2	42
INDG 1002	Indigenous Community and Family Life	42
INDG 1003	Introduction to Psychology: An Indigenous Perspective	42
INDG 1004	Holistic Health and Healing	42
Communications Course		
Select 1 course from the communications list during registration.		42
General Education Course		
Select 1 course from the general education list during registration.		42
Hours		252
Total Hours		504

## Graduation Window

Students unable to adhere to the program duration of one year (as stated above) may take a maximum of two years to complete their credential. After this time, students must be re-admitted into the program, and follow the curriculum in place at the time of re-admission.

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