Pre-apprenticeship 2022

Frequently asked questions (FAQs)

Is there funding while I am enrolling in the program?
Your tuition, books and equipment are paid for by the program. For funding while you’re in school, you may be eligible for Employment Insurance (EI). Please visit the Service Canada website for more information on EI and other funding eligibility. There is also Indigenous funding for eligible candidates. Please reach out to Jennifer Linklater at jennifer.linklater@georgiancollege.ca for more details.

What are the program eligibility criteria?
You must have a high school diploma with grade 12 math, and be either a Canadian citizen or permanent resident.

Am I able to apply while waiting for my high school diploma?
Absolutely.

With the pandemic, how much of the program is onsite and online?
This program is 100 per cent on campus and on site.

How many of my Electrical Techniques courses are transferrable to the pre-apprenticeship program?
None of the courses from the Electrical Techniques certificate program are transferable.

I’ve been out of school for so long. Would this affect my eligibility? Do I need to repeat my math?
Where do I go to obtain my transcript?
If you have your high school diploma and grade 12 math, you don’t need to repeat. Your high school should have a copy of your transcript. If the high school no longer exists, you can obtain the transcript from the school board.

I completed upgrading courses at Georgian. Who should I contact to obtain my upgrading report?
The Office of the Registrar has a record of your courses. They can be reached via email or phone: registrar@georgiancollege.ca or 705.722.1511.

I am a couple of credits away from obtaining my high school diploma, or I don’t have my grade 12 math. What should I do?
There are upgrading courses at night. YMCA offers services to help students bridging the gap. Please contact Kym Wagner at 519.371.9222, ext. 6 or visit their website: https://ymcaowensound.on.ca/Employment-Education-Training/?pageid=23

I have my postsecondary courses in addition to my high school diploma. Will this affect my eligibility?
No. We encourage you to apply.
I have my high school diploma in a different country. Would this affect my eligibility?
A high school diploma in a different country is acceptable. If it’s not in English or French, it will need to be translated.

What are other options if I’m not successful?
Because we can only accept 21 candidates to the program, you are encouraged to apply for the Canadian Union of Skilled Workers (CUSW) apprenticeship if you meet some of the requirements, such as grade 11 physics, biology, and chemistry, and grade 12 math. We encourage you to re-apply next year for the pre-apprenticeship program at Owen Sound.

Is vaccination mandatory to gain entrance to the program?
Georgian rescinded the mandatory COVID-19 vaccination procedure on April 23, 2022. Vaccination is still strongly encouraged for all students and employees, but proof is longer required to enter campus.

What are the COVID-19 health and safety protocols?
Georgian follows all recommendations and requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, the Government of Ontario, and the district health unit. All in persons shall wear Georgian-supplied Level 1 and Level 2 medical-grade face coverings at all times while inside any Georgian building. Read more about our safety protocols.

What is the employment rate after program completion?
Based on the data collected from post-program outcomes of participants who graduated from 2020-2021, 83 per cent of (20) participants secure registered apprenticeships in the sector.

What does it mean once you are completed the program and an indentured apprentice?
Once you completed the program, you will be signed up with CUSW and the Ministry as a registered 309A Electrical Apprentice to begin your apprenticeship.