

Researching and Choosing a School

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This section is to help you determine what school best suits your learning style and training needs. It is your responsibility to investigate all of the available courses in your chosen field. If available, gather the information from a minimum of three schools and indicate which one you have chosen.

These questions will help you make the best choice when researching a training provider.

School Description

School: Fanshawe College

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- Is this school registered as a Private Career College in Ontario? **No**
- If no, please explain: **Publicly funded college**
- Is this course eligible for OSAP funding? **Yes**
- Is this training provider certified to give T2202A tuition tax receipts? **Yes**

Program/Certificate Information

Program Name: Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees

This is a one-year Ontario College Graduate Certificate Program.

This course is offered full time.

The Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees program provides students with the opportunity to study subject areas relevant to health career programs at Fanshawe College and to instill an appreciation of the professional roles, responsibilities and academic requirements of health care disciplines. The goal of the program is to prepare men and women for their chosen health career program.

Program Eligibility Criteria

Admission Requirements for 2017/2018

This is a highly competitive program; the number of qualified applicants exceeds the number of seats available at the London Campus.

- OSSD with courses from the College (C), University (U), University/College (M), or Open (O) stream WITH:
 - Any Grade 12 English (C) (minimum final grade required is 65) or Grade 12 English (U)
 - Mathematics* ONE OF:
 - Grade 11 Mathematics (U) or (M) (minimum final grade required is 70)
 - Grade 12 Foundations for College Mathematics (C) (minimum final grade required is 70)
 - Grade 12 Mathematics for College Technology (C)
 - Any Grade 12 Mathematics (U)
 - AND ONE OF the following courses:
 - Grade 11 Biology (C) (minimum final grade required is 65)
 - Grade 11 or Grade 12 Biology (U)
 - Grade 12 Introductory Kinesiology (U)
 - Grade 12 Chemistry (C) (minimum final grade required is 65)
 - Grade 11 or 12 Chemistry (U)
 - Grade 12 Physics (C) (minimum final grade required is 65)
 - Grade 11 or Grade 12 Physics (U)

OR

- Academic and Career Entrance Certificate (ACE) WITH:
 - Communications (minimum final grade required is 65)
 - Core Mathematics (minimum final grade required is 70)
 - Biology OR Chemistry OR Physics (minimum final grade required is 65)

OR

- Ontario High School Equivalency Certificate (GED) WITH:

- The combined Language Arts - Reading AND Language Arts - Writing test results having a minimum average Standard Score of 520 AND:
- Mathematics* ONE OF:
 - Grade 11 Mathematics (U) or (M) (minimum final grade required is 70)
 - Grade 12 Foundations for College Mathematics (C) (minimum final grade required is 70)
 - Grade 12 Mathematics for College Technology (C)
- AND ONE OF the following courses:
 - Grade 11 Biology (C) (minimum final grade required is 65)
 - Grade 11 or Grade 12 Biology (U)
 - Grade 12 Introductory Kinesiology (U)
 - Grade 12 Chemistry (C) (minimum final grade required is 65)
 - Grade 11 or Grade 12 Chemistry (U)
 - Grade 12 Physics (C) (minimum final grade required is 65)
 - Grade 11 or Grade 12 Physics (U)

OR

- Mature applicant with standing in the required courses and grades stated above

Note:

- * Grade 12 Mathematics for College Technology (C) or any Grade 12 Mathematics (U) preferred.
- Admission to the Pre-Health Science program does not guarantee admission in a subsequent year to any College program. Successful completion of the Pre-Health Science program, however, does enable the student to be given additional consideration when applying for one of the following programs in 2018-2019:
 - Dental Hygiene
 - Massage Therapy
 - Medical Radiation Technology
 - Paramedic
 - Practical Nursing
 - Respiratory Therapy

- **For Nursing - see ** below**
- In order to be considered for admission to the Dental Hygiene, Medical Radiation Technology, Paramedic, Practical Nursing and Respiratory Therapy health career programs, students who register in the Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees program in September 2017, must successfully complete their Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees Ontario College Certificate with a minimum GPA (grade point average) by April 30, 2018 in order to be eligible for admission consideration in the immediately following academic year to any of the above career programs. The minimum GPA required varies depending on the intended career program. Consult the individual career program's 'Admission Requirements' section for details concerning these requirements.
- The **Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees** program is the preferred designated preparatory program for admission to career programs in the School of Health Sciences and School of Nursing.
- ****The Fanshawe College Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees program prepares applicants for the Nursing program who lack the secondary school requirements. In order to be eligible for admission consideration to the Nursing program in 2018, students must successfully complete ALL courses in the Fanshawe College Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees program with a minimum grade of 'B' in each course by April 30, 2018. Only applicants with an Ontario College Certificate from the Fanshawe College Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees program will be considered for admission to the Nursing program in lieu of the stated secondary school requirements.**

English Language Requirements

Applicants whose first language is not English will be required to demonstrate proficiency in English by one of the following methods:

- A Grade 12 College Stream or University Stream English credit from an Ontario Secondary School, or equivalent, depending on the program's Admission Requirements
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) test with a minimum score of 550 for the paper-based test (PBT), or 79 for the Internet-based test (iBT), with test results within the last two years

- International English Language Testing System (IELTS) test with an overall score of 6.0 with no score less than 5.5 in any of the four bands, with test results within the last two years
- Canadian Academic English Language (CAEL) test with a score of 70 in writing, reading and speaking and a score of 80 in listening, with test results within the last two years
- An English Language Evaluation (ELE) at Fanshawe College with a minimum score of 75% in all sections of the test, with test results within the last two years
- Fanshawe College ESL4/GAP5 students: Minimum grade of 80% in ESL4/GAP5 Level 8, 75% in ESL4/GAP5 Level 9, or 70% in ESL4/GAP5 Level 10

Recommended Academic Preparation

- Grade 12 Business and Technological Communication (O)

Recommended Personal Preparation

- Students should develop personal responsibility, emotional maturity and those personal characteristics which will enable them to co-operate with others in the delivery of health care.

Applicant Selection Criteria

Where the number of eligible applicants exceeds the available spaces in the program, the Applicant Selection Criteria will be:

1. Preference for Permanent Residents of Ontario
2. Receipt of Application by February 1st (After this date, Fanshawe College will consider applicants on a first-come, first-served basis until the program is full)
3. Achievement in the Admission Requirements

Other Information

The Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees program is delivered over two 15-week terms (level one and level two). For students studying in the Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees program at the London campus, there are two possible entry points into the program:

- Students entering level one of the program in September will proceed to level two of the program in January (upon successful completion of level one). The entire program will be completed in April.

- Students entering level one of the program in January will proceed to level two of the program in May (upon successful completion of level one). The entire program will be completed in August.
- Domestic students entering the program in January should be aware that they will not have marks available from level one of the Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees program at the time admission decisions will be made for Health career programs that start in September 2018. Students are encouraged to complete their Ontario College Certificate from the Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees program and apply for admission consideration to a Health career program for September 2019.
- It is strongly recommended that students entering the Pre-Health Sciences Pathway to Advanced Diplomas and Degrees program have access to the Internet.

Course Details

- London Campus
- Program start date: **September 2017**
- Program end date: **April 2018**
- Is this start date flexible? **No**
- Program length (# Weeks): **30 weeks**
- Number of hours per week: **23 hours**
- Schedule of hours: **22**
- Other start dates: **January 2018**

Cost of Training Course/Program:

Cost of training course/program (Based on 2017/2018 Tuition Fees):

**2018/2019 fees will be available in June 2018*

Item	Level 1	Level 2
Tuition	\$2,083.40	\$2,083.40
Books	\$705.60	\$0
<i>Expendable Supplies:</i>		
Pens, paper, notebooks, presentation binders	\$100.00	\$100.00
<i>Uniforms & Minor Equipment:</i>		
Calculator	\$20.00	\$0

Item	Level 1	Level 2
<i>Other Expenses:</i>		
Software	\$50.00	\$0
<i>Other:</i>		
OCAS application fee	\$95.00	\$0
Totals	\$ 3,054.00	\$ 2,183.40

Total Cost: \$5,237.40

Note: Tuition fees are billed per term. A \$500.00 non-refundable deposit will be required once per academic year. Making your deposit by the due date will confirm and secure your spot and registration in the program. The balance of fees will be due by the 10th day of class for standard start date programs. A \$150.00 late fee will apply should fees not be paid in full by the 10th day of class.

Admission related fees, when applicable:

English Language Evaluation Test (ELE) - **\$60.00**

- For applicants for whom English is not their first language.

Subject Challenge Exams - **\$75.00**

- Challenge Exams are used for admissions purposes:
 - When an applicant has completed the learning, but does not have proof of a grade (i.e., English, Math, Chemistry, Biology, and Physics). The challenge exam shows that the individual has the skill set that meets the minimum grade requirement.
 - When an applicant has completed the learning, but does not meet the minimum grade requirement.
- ***Challenge exams cannot be used in lieu of a subject requirement when prior learning has not been completed.***

Evaluating the School/Follow-up Questions

1. Did you meet the instructor or instructors prior to selecting this school? Please explain.

2. Have you contacted local employers to see if the training is acceptable to them?

Yes No

3. Does this school have a solid reputation in the community?

Yes. Fanshawe College is one of 24 publicly funded Community Colleges in Ontario and is one of the largest colleges in Ontario.

4. Are the standards and licenses recognized by Governments and Occupational Associations?

Yes.

Questions to Ask the School

Answers have been already provided for you to the questions listed below.

1. What are the methods of instruction and time spent on each?

- Lectures: **90%**
- Teacher-led: **95%**
- Hands-on practice: **5%**
- Self-paced: **5%**
- Demonstrations: **5%**
- Technology-based instruction: **5%**

2. What certification will you get upon completion of this course?

Certificate.

3. Please explain how your progress will be monitored and reported (method and frequency).

Evaluations from instructor including, but not limited to tests, assignments, quizzes.

4. How many hours of home study are expected per week?

25-35 hours. Approximately 1-3 hours per class hour.

5. Are detailed course descriptions available to prospective students? If YES, obtain copies and include with Training Research Guide.

Yes.

6. What resources are available if you require additional help while in training?

Fanshawe College offers a wide range of student services to support your success at college:

- English and Math tutoring
- Peer Tutors to assist students having difficulty in a specific course
- Study skills workshops and tutoring offered throughout the year for learners who need to brush up on academic skills
- Personal, academic and career counselling is available to all students
- Specialized support services for mature students

- A full range of services and academic accommodations to support the success of students with disabilities
- Help with job finding strategies, résumé and cover letter assistance, and job interview skills. A job bank lists full-time and part-time opportunities

In addition, the following services are available to all students:

- A full-service Library/Resource Centre, including a Virtual Library for easy 24/7 access and media loans
- Financial Aid Office, including bursary assistance
- Awards and Scholarships

7. What percent of students who are enrolled in the course successfully complete it?

70%.

8. What academic counseling is available prior to starting school and during the training period?

Staff offers pre-admission planning and academic advice and information for those considering admission to Fanshawe College.

Fanshawe College has a Student Success Advisor in every school and campus who is dedicated to helping students achieve academic success. Student Success Advisors can discuss program progression as well as helping students connect with tutoring, study skills workshops and other academic supports. In addition, due to their close ties with faculty they are notified about students experiencing academic challenges early in the program.

9. How does the school accommodate the needs of adult learners?

The College has considerable experience with adult learners and has specialists available to assist learners with study skills, success strategies, learning and other disabilities. Program coordinators are familiar with the needs of adult learners and will provide assistance to students on a one to one basis.

10. What are the qualifications of the instructor(s)?

Bachelors, all have Masters or PhD.

11. Do students have the opportunity to evaluate the instructor and the course?

Yes. Instructional feedback surveys are completed for each course.

12. Does the institution have publicized policies dealing with human rights issues?

Yes.

13. Are you allowed to audit a few classes?

Yes, space dependent.

14. Will the school provide references (e.g., signed release forms, past graduates and/or current students)? If not, why?

Academic references only. Large class size and little interaction make it difficult to provide any more information.

15. Will there be a practicum or work placement?

No.

16. How does the institution support continuing education/upgrading for graduates in this field of work?

Career Programming for Adult Learners and In a Day Workshops are available through the course guide.

17. How does the institution make an effort to place its graduates in jobs after completion of the program?

Job Connect and Career Services works with graduates to help them achieve meaningful employment.

18. What percentage of graduates from this training find work in a field related to their training?

According to our Key Performance indicators, 92% of Fanshawe College Graduates achieve employment after they've completed their studies.

19. List employers who hire graduates from this course.

This is a preparatory course to apply to a Fanshawe Health Science Career program.

20. How will the credentials you receive be recognized by the industry/employer/sector?

Fanshawe College is well recognized across Ontario and across Canada and has been in business since 1967. As one of the largest Community Colleges in Ontario

our graduates are sought after by employers. Fanshawe College is the largest Cooperative Education College in Canada and as such has strong linkages with employers in the communities it serves. All Fanshawe Programs are evaluated by employers every 3 to 5 years.