Thank you for joining us!

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Western Engineering
General Admission Reminders

Transcript Submission:

You are required to provide one official academic transcript from each post-secondary institution you have attended. An official paper transcript is a transcript in an unopened envelope with the institution's stamp on the seal. If the transcript is not in English, an official translation must accompany the transcript.

**Paper Transcripts**

Must be mailed directly from the issuing institution to the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

**Mailing Address**

Graduate Admissions
School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies
International and Graduate Affairs Building, Room 1N07
Western University
1151 Richmond Street
London, Ontario Canada N6A 3K7
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Electronic Transcripts

Directly to the School of Graduate & Postdoctoral Studies (gradapps@uwo.ca) from the issuing Institution’s Registrar’s Office.
General Admission Reminders

Study Permit Submission

If you are an International Student, you will need to submit a copy of your study permit to the School of Graduate and Post-doctoral Studies to clear the Study Permit Admission Condition and activate your registration.

Electronic Submission

• A clean copy of your study permit can be emailed to cbell57@uwo.ca.

In-Person Submission:

• Directly to the School of Graduate & Postdoctoral Studies, International and Graduate Affairs Building, Room 1N07
Questions?

For questions regarding your Admissions Conditions, please consult your Offer of Admission and/or contact the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

Email: gradapps@uwo.ca
Important Tuition Reminders

• **Tuition Deposit: June 15th (for MEng students)**
  - MEng students are required to pay $500 tuition deposit that will be credited towards their Fall term tuition when they register.

• **Fall Term Tuition Deadline: September 11th**
  - If you need to pay the full amount of your tuition for the year for Visa purposes, please see the amounts listed by the Office of the Registrar at the bottom of this webpage: [SDS Letter Tuition Amounts](#)
  - You are also able to see payment details on your Statement of Account in [Student Center](#).  ([Student Financials- Statement of Account- Select Term](#))
Tuition Payments: From a Canadian Bank

If you are paying from a Canadian Bank you can pay via:

• Internet Banking

• Cheque or Money Order

For instructions and further information, please see here.
Tuition Payments: International

If you are making an International Payment, Western uses Covera Global Pay (formerly Western Union Business Solutions).

For more information, including a Step-by-Step instructional video (offered in 11 languages), please see here: International Payments - Office of the Registrar - Western University (uwo.ca)
Payment Methods NOT Accepted

• The University of Western Ontario does not accept cash, Internet e-mail money transfers or credit cards for fee payments.

• Any company or organization that offers the opportunity to pay fees by credit card is not associated with Western. If you choose to use such a service, you should be aware that:
  • You will remain responsible for all fees should for any reason the fees payment not be processed;
  • You will be paying a fee to the company over and above Western’s fees;
  • You will be required to provide personal information, including your student number, to the company.

• Western does not encourage the use of third party payment services.
Tuition fees for all students at Western are set and controlled by the Office of the Registrar.

If you wish to view the current or previous Tuition Fees Schedules at Western, please visit:

https://www.registrar.uwo.ca/student_finances/fees_refunds/fee_refund_schedules.html

Note: Fall term tuition amounts are not posted yet.
Some students may require a receipt of payment of Tuition fees

You can download a copy of your Statement of Account directly from the Student Center (Student Financials-Student Account)
Western Student Experience

Graduate Student Life
Graduate Student Life
Supporting Success in Graduate School

Graduate Student Life
- GradLife 101
- GradLife Coaching Appointments
- Drop-in Office Hours
- Campus Engagement
- Services & Resource Navigation

Dr. Jeremy Johnston
Program Specialist, Graduate Student Life

gradlife@uwo.ca
Research on Student Thriving

- Engaged Learning
- Diverse Citizenship
- Social Connectedness
- Positive Perspective
- Academic Determination

Western Student Experience
Leadership & Learning

Sports & Recreation

Wellness & Wellbeing
Leadership & Learning

Accessible Education
Career Education
Employer Relations
Experiential Learning
Learning Development & Success
Transitions, Leadership & Enrichment
Writing Support Centre
Sports & Recreation

Spirit & Connection
Sport
Recreation
Wellness & Wellbeing

Mental Health
Student Health & Wellness Services
Student Support & Case Management
Vaccination & Testing Centre
Wellness & Equity Education
Western Engineering’s Career Services Team!
Meet Western Engineering's Career Services Team!

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Employer Relations Specialist

Khandeeban Kumarasamy
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Career Services Officer, Student Specialist

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Employer Relations Specialist

Kyle Reid
Employer Relations Specialist

Western Engineering
What We Do:

• The Career Services Team supports the Faculty of Engineering in its goal of providing the best student experience through career preparation assistance and job search efforts, to help students make informed decisions about their career paths and through experiential learning opportunities.

• We are here to assist in your career journey while here at Western and beyond!
What Does Western Engineering’s Career Services Offer?

**Career Preparation:**
- Mock Interviews
- Resume & Cover Letter Workshops
- Job Search Strategies
- Networking Strategies
- One-to-one virtual or in-person meetings

**Experiential Learning:**
- Co-op
- Industry Focused Project
- Community Engaged Learning
- International Opportunities
Benefits of Experiential Learning

• Helps students to apply their knowledge and skills in a real-world context, and to learn from their experiences in a way that deepens their understanding and builds their confidence and competence.

• Many benefits include the development of critical thinking, problem-solving, and communication skills. Experiential learning can also help students to build their professional networks, gain valuable work experience, and increase their chances of success in their chosen careers.
What Co-op Programs are Available to MEng Students?

Students registered in the Master of Engineering (MEng) with Co-op Option will complete their program in 4 terms.

What is the length of the MEng Co-op Program?

- Length is 4 months (minimum 12 weeks)
- Fall Term - Position to start at the beginning of September and finish at the end of December

Prior to undertaking a co-op, students must first fulfill the requirement of completing the three terms in the regular Master of Engineering program.
What Co-op Programs are Available to MEng Students?

For students in the combined Master of Engineering (MEng) – Graduate Diploma (GDip; Engineering Leadership and Innovation) program, who opt-in to the co-op option, will complete their program in 5 terms.

What is the length of the MEng + GDIP Co-op Program?

**Option 1**
- Length is 4 months
- **Winter Term**
  - Position to start at the beginning of January and finish at the end of April

**Option 2**
- Length is 8 months.
- **Winter Term**
  - Position to start at the beginning of January and finish at the end of August
What are the eligibility requirements of the MEng Co-op Program?

- Students must have started the MEng program in the Fall term and are registered as full-time students.
- Students need to be in good academic standing and maintain a cumulative average of 75% or higher calculated in the term prior to starting co-op.
- International students must apply for a Co-op Work Permit and ensure that it covers the full co-op term, otherwise, apply for an extension.
What are the benefits of participating in the MEng Co-op Program?

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<th>Canadian Work Environment</th>
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<td>Gain practical, hands-on, industry-relevant experience through experiential learning within the workplace.</td>
<td>Build a professional network with employers and colleagues within the field.</td>
<td>All co-op opportunities must be paid (more than minimum wage)</td>
<td>Develop an understanding of cultural aspects of Canadian work environments</td>
<td>Gain interviewing and resume-building skills.</td>
<td>Students who successfully complete 4 months of co-op will receive a Program Milestone in their academic record</td>
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How Do Students Apply?

Step 1:
Students are required to pay an application fee of $125. Students are to submit their Application Fee Payment through our Engineering Ecommerce Site. Students may pay by Visa, MasterCard, or Debit Visa.

Step 2:
Students are required to submit an application through Western Connect. Steps of how to apply through Western Connect are available on our Western Engineering Career Services Website.

WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO APPLY BY SEPT 30!
How to Get a Co-op Work Permit?

International students are required to secure an approved co-op work permit prior to beginning their co-op.

Upon submitting an application, Western Engineering’s Career Services team will email international students detailing next steps as they relate to co-op work permits.

- Complete and Sign the Acknowledgement Letter
- Receive a Work Permit Letter from our office
- Submit an online application for a co-op work permit (Government of Canada Website)
Resources

Western Connect

- Job boards and careers related events registration

Employer Events

- Attend the many employer events offered throughout the year, both in-person and in virtual settings.

Signature events:

- Fall term
  - Industry Nights, Networking Events, Scholarships, Career Workshops, Career Fair.
- Winter term
  - Employer Panels, Industry Nights, Career Workshops, Job fair.

https://connect.uwo.ca/home.htm
Resources

Weekly career services email

• Sent out every Monday!
• Information on upcoming employer events, career workshops, special notifications.

wecareer@uwo.ca
Let’s Connect!
Western Engineering Career Services

**Location**
Spencer Engineering Building, Room 2092
Monday – Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm

**Telephone**
+1 (519) 661-2111 ext. 88359

**Email**
wecareer@uwo.ca

**Website**
https://www.eng.uwo.ca/coop/index.html
Western’s Off-Campus Housing Service
- Off-Campus Housing Listings
- Housing Mediation Service
- Off-Campus Advisor Program
OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING SERVICE

• Listing Service: 2,000 landlords with over 5,000 listings annually
• #1 site where students find their housing
• Students can post free ads if looking for roommates or sub-tenants
OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING SERVICE

• Off-Campus Housing Assistant
  – Helps International & out-of-province students verify housing
  – Reports on whether property exists to avoid internet scams
  – Reports on bus routes, grocery stores, schools/child care, religious options, etc.
OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING SERVICE

• Housing Mediation Service
  – Mediation Officer & OCH Coordinator
  – Rental advice
  – Lease review

• Off-Campus Advisors
  – help with questions after hours and on weekends during academic year
OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING SERVICE

- **Website**: Offcampus.uwo.ca
- **Rental Listings**: https://offcampus.uwo.ca/listings/
- **Tenant rights and lease review**: https://offcampus.uwo.ca/appointment.cfm
- **International & out-of-province student rental search support**: ocha@housing.uwo.ca
Western Apartments

Will Uhl
AD Client Services
Housing & Ancillary
University Bridge is CLOSED to vehicles, but remains open to pedestrian traffic.
University Apartments

• Beaver/Ausable Hall, 2\textsuperscript{nd} year and older,
  – Two-bedroom units
  – 99 units
Beaver / Ausable Units

- Two-bedroom units
- Utilities included
  - No air conditioning
- Internet additional
  - $1350 / month
Platt’s Lane Estates

- Platt’s Lane Estates, 2nd Year and Older
  - One and two-bedroom apartments – 204 units
  - Two and three-bedroom townhouses – 170 units
Platt’s Lane Apartments

- One and Two-bedroom units
- Utilities included
  - No air conditioning
- Internet additional
- One BR
  - $1170/month
- Two BR
  - $1350/month
Platt’s Lane Townhouses

- Two and Three bedroom units
- Utilities additional
  - No air conditioning
- Internet additional
- Two BR $1380/month
- Three BR $1560/month
Western Apartments Websites:

https://apartments.uwo.ca/
https://plattslane.uwo.ca/

• Application instructions
• Virtual tours
• Tenant information
• Rental office contact
Application Process

Western’s My housing portal http://myhousing.uwo.ca
Welcome to Western’s myHousing Portal

Whether you’re coming to Western for the very first time, or are continuing to study — we have accommodations to suit every lifestyle right on campus! Enjoy having access to exceptional amenities as well as academic support to help foster success in your studies.

myHousing Login

[links to login options: Western Identity, Student ID & Access Code, Temporary myHousing Username]

Need Login Assistance?
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Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that Western University is located on the traditional lands of the Anishinaabek (Ah-nish-in-a-bek), Haudenosaunee (Ho-den-no-show-nee), Lunaapíewak (Len-a-pay-wuk) and Chonnonton (Chun-ongk-ton) Nations, on lands connected with the London Township and Sombra Treaties of 1796 and the Dish with One Spoon Covenant Wampum.

With this, we respect the longstanding relationships that Indigenous Nations have to this land, as they are the original caretakers. We acknowledge historical and ongoing injustices that Indigenous Peoples (First Nations, Métis and Inuit) endure in Canada, and we accept responsibility as a public institution to contribute toward revealing and correcting miseducation as well as renewing respectful relationships with Indigenous communities through our teaching, research and community service.
On-Campus Apartments & Family Housing

On-Campus Apartments

Thank you for your interest in On-campus Apartments & Townhouses. Complete your rental application for:

- **University Apartments**: Upper-Year & Graduate Accommodations
  - Ausable Hall
  - Bayfield Hall
  - Beaver Hall

- **Platt's Lane Estates**: Upper-Year, Graduate, Post Doctoral, Faculty & Family Accommodations
Additional Tenants & Occupants

Additional Tenants

- A tenant is a person who is joint and severally liable for paying rent in return for the right to occupy a rental unit.
  - *(i.e. Both leaseholders are financially responsible for any and all rental fees.)*

- All tenants are listed on the lease and **must** be full-time Western students.
- There is a limit of two tenants listed on a lease.

**Will another tenant be listed on the lease?**

Additional Occupants

- An occupant is a person who is not a tenant but who lives in a rental unit as their principal place of residence.
- Occupants are not listed on the lease.

**Will any additional occupants listed below live in the rental unit?**
Lease Start Preferences

When would you want to start your lease? Please rank your preferred Lease Start Date(s) *(minimum 1).*

**Note:** *All leases begin on the 1st of the month.*

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You can add 1 more preferences for this application.

Please select at least 1 preferences.

SAVE & CONTINUE
Thank you Will for your application to Western's On-Campus Apartments!

You will be notified via email if one of your preferred unit types is available for the dates you have selected. Please note that apartment applications sometimes exceeds availability, and, apartments may be offered in an order different than they were received. Only applicants offered an apartment will receive communication from us.

Visit myhousing.uwo.ca/portal to make changes to your application at any time; however, if you have any questions or concerns regarding your application, feel welcome to contact us.

Regards,
Western Apartments

Contact Information
Platt’s Lane Estates Rental Office
platslane.uwo.ca
(519) 679-4561
western.apartments@uwo.ca

University Apartments Rental Office
Application Process

• Lottery system
  – Based on lease start dates and unit types
  – Many more applicants than spaces
• Competitive market - recommend search on and off campus
How to Contact Rental Office?

• Bayfield Rental Office:
  – 519-661-3250
  – https://apartments.uwo.ca/

• Platt’s Lane Rental Office:
  – 519-679-4561
  – https://plattslane.uwo.ca/

• Email:
  – Western.apartments@uwo.ca
General Questions?

• Use the "Chat" feature in Zoom to send in your general questions.

• Following this Q&A session, you will be moved to your department-specific breakout room for department-specific inquiries.
Upcoming Town Hall Session

July 20 (9:00am - 11:00am EST)

Topics:

• Arriving at Western
• Settling into London
• Course Registration

Questions? Email Us!
weadmit@uwo.ca