

Hospitality and Tourism Foundations (HOSF) Ontario College Certificate

PART-TIME

Frequently Asked Questions

When can I start the program?

September

Do I need to apply?

Part-time students must apply to this program through ontariocolleges.ca

Use the code HOSX.

How many courses do I take?

Full program details can be viewed on the [Program Outline](#).

Graduation requirements

10 Program Courses

1 Option Course

1 Communications Course

1 General Education Course

Can I take this program online?

There are very few courses in this program that can be taken online. A small number of program courses have online equivalents. Communications/General Education courses can be taken online.

Part-time students take courses with full-time students which means they are most often scheduled in the daytime hours.

How do I know which courses to take?

We have set a schedule up for you – review the Delivery Schedule found on the [program page](#). Courses are offered at different times of the year according to the Semester progression: Semester 1 (Fall) and Semester 2 (Winter). Communications and General Education courses as well as some online equivalents can be taken in the Summer semesters.

What is the cost of the program?

There is no program fee for part-time students in this certificate program. Part-time students pay per course, as they register.

Part-time students can take a maximum of 3 courses per semester in this program. (You have the option of 1, 2 or 3 courses in any semester.)

The course fees change year-to-year and course to course. The best source for accurate fees is to check the [HOSF](#) webpage. Courses are listed in the Course Offerings and equivalents chart – each course links to a course page where you will find section details including the fee. See screenshot below.

NOTE: courses in this program only show on the website during the part-time (add/drop) registration period which is open 2 weeks before the semester start date.

Introduction to Marketing MKTG 1000

Course description

In this overview course, students discuss the marketing of products and services to the ultimate consumer, with emphasis on the basic marketing premise that customer needs must be satisfied in order to achieve company objectives. Students gain insight into the complex and interdependent variables involved in developing successful marketing strategies. Students explore the strategic marketing planning process, along with the specific concepts and principles involved in the four key components of the marketing plan: Product, Price, Distribution, and Promotion Strategies

Credits

3

Course Hours

42

Students registering for credit courses for the first time must declare a program at the point of registration. Declaring a program does not necessarily mean students must complete a program. Individual courses may be taken for skill improvement and upgrading.

For more information, please [contact Continuing Education](#)

Available Courses

Unless stated, the course fee does NOT include the textbook(s). Not all courses have required textbooks. See [registration dates](#) for courses that are not yet open.

Introduction to Marketing - MKTG 1000 Monday, May 4, 2026 OPEN

INTRODUCTION TO MARKETING - MKTG 1000

Fee: \$344.4

Course registration number: 30109

Start: Monday, May 4, 2026

End: Friday, Aug. 14, 2026

Class times

Days	Times	Building - Room
	Online	

Campus: Barrie

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The fees for Communications and General Education courses vary. View the course listing for [Communications](#) and [General Education](#).

Fees showing above are the 2025-2026 academic year. Fees for 2026-2027 (starting September 2026) may be higher.

Why do some courses have (ODE) in the name?

You will see courses listed in the Course Offerings and equivalents chart with (ODE) in the name. These courses are asynchronous online equivalents offered through OntarioLearn. You can find more information about OntarioLearn in the [OntarioLearn FAQ](#).

OntarioLearn courses are set up as equivalents to the program courses. You can choose to take the ODE courses or the Georgian program courses.

How long will it take to complete the certificate?

This varies depending on how many courses you take each semester. Total courses: 13

Following the delivery schedule: 2 years

Fall-Winter-Summer-Fall-Winter

What happens if I cannot take any courses one semester due to other commitments/circumstances?

You do not have to report or confirm the number of courses you take each semester – this is up to you and you can change the number of courses you take from semester to semester.

For example, you can start with 2 courses, then take 3 courses, then take 2 courses, etc. Remember that if you are not able to maintain a minimum 2 courses per semester, it will delay your timeline to completion.

You can take one semester off per year from taking courses if required. If you need an extended time away, please connect with us to discuss.

Can I transfer credits/use prior learning to fast track?

If you have significant work experience you can review our PLAR opportunities:

<https://www.georgiancollege.ca/admissions/credit-transfer/>

If you have taken post-secondary at another institution, you may be eligible for credit transfer and/or prior learning recognition (for example, Communications and General Education courses).

If you have taken courses at Georgian in the past and they qualify for this program, they will automatically apply to your credential. You will see these courses in MyPath.

Are part-time students eligible for OSAP?

Part-time students MAY be eligible – this is individual and based usually on number of courses you take per semester. For more information, visit our Financial Aid page:

<https://www.georgiancollege.ca/finance-and-fees/osap-financial-aid/>

QUESTIONS? We are here to help!

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