

Protection, Security and Investigation (PSIN) Ontario College Diploma PART-TIME

Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need to apply?

Part-time students must apply to this program through ontariocolleges.ca
Use the code PSIX. (This is the code on OCAS.)

When can I start the program?

Intakes: September, January, May

How many courses do I take?

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

Graduation requirements

15 Mandatory Courses

2 Communications Courses

3 General Education Courses

1 Internship

What is the PSIN Program about and why should I come to Georgian?

Using a streamlined, four semester, continuous model approach, students develop specific knowledge and the skills necessary to meet the needs of various rapidly evolving public and private industries in relation to Community Safety and Security. Areas of study include investigative techniques, intelligence assessment, understanding radicalization and extremism, crisis intervention, emergency management, physical security planning, leadership and cyber security.

As a stand-alone program with areas of commonality between the Police Foundations and Community and Justice Services programs, students will acquire an overall understanding of the Canadian charter of rights, law enforcement, intelligence collection, the investigative process, mental health, crisis intervention, critical thinking and analysis to develop specialized knowledge and skills that are in demand within public and private sector industries.

Career options include a wide range of choices that include: Canadian Armed Forces (CAF), Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), Border services (CBSA), Intelligence assessment and analysis, Municipal or Provincial Police, Special Constables, By-Law enforcement, Private Investigations, Corporate Security (government or private industry), Nuclear Security, Aviation Security, Casinos, Hydro, Retail or Mining Security, Emergency Management and International Opportunities.

Key Points

- **Unique program fit:** Hybrid delivery adds flexibility to how you can take courses. And studying part-time allows you to take 1, 2 or 3 courses at a time. You can work your way through the program at your own speed.
- **Quality:** The program learning outcomes use an integrated learning approach to provide students with a critical mix of real-life experience, professionalism, technical expertise and analytical skills necessary to succeed in today's global security environment.
- **Knowledgeable Faculty:** Our program fosters ongoing partnerships with educators who have years of experience and proven success in the fields of Policing, Military, Corporate Security, Investigations and Emergency Management.
- **Individualized:** The program includes a 525-hour internship in a variety of Community Safety related settings to help gain experience and integrate all your academic learning into a real-world setting. *Please note that the Internship is completed full time and carries full tuition fees.



Can I transfer credits/use prior learning?

Georgian's Credit for Prior Learning assists with:

- Transferring courses completed at another accredited institution which may be eligible for transfer towards your education at Georgian.
- Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) – students can challenge course requirements based on relevant work or life skills and knowledge gained.

More information on the above options as well as the processes to apply for exemptions, visit the [Credit for Prior Learning webpage](#).

Students with certifications and work experience may be eligible to fast track through this program. Connect with the Program Coordinator for more information.

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.

How is this program delivered? Will I have to be in-person?

This program has a hybrid delivery. Fall 2026 full delivery has not yet been planned.

Hybrid can mean some courses are online and some courses are delivered in-person. If you would like to know more about course delivery, please connect with your program coordinator, Stephen Waller. Stephen.waller@georgiancollege.ca

If courses can be taken online, note our online deliveries below.

Asynchronous online means no live classes. Students can log in to the course whenever it works best for them. Most courses have weekly deadlines to be met. Classes are delivered combining self-directed lectures, group discussions and virtual instructor support.

Synchronous online means live, virtual classes delivered on a set day and time.

How do I know which courses to take?

We have set a schedule up for you – review the [DELIVERY Schedule](#) posted on the program page.

The screenshot shows the program page for 'Study Protection, Security and Investigation part-time'. It includes social media icons, a list of links (Program information, Course information, How to apply, Frequently asked questions, Contact us), and a sidebar with buttons for 'Take the CareerMatch quiz', 'View more Community Safety programs', '2026-2027 program outline', '2025-2026 outline (PDF)', and 'Program outline archive'. The main content area has a 'Delivery schedule' button circled in red.

What is the cost of the program?

There is no program fee when studying part-time. As a part-time student, you can take 1, 2 or 3 courses at a time in any given semester. Payment is per course, as you register. The course fees change year-to-year and course to course if courses have different hours.

The best source for accurate fees is to check the [Protection, Security and Investigation](#) program website:

The screenshot shows the 'Course information' page. A large blue arrow points to the 'Course offerings and equivalents' table. The table lists various courses and their OntarioLearn equivalents.

Course title	Course code	OntarioLearn equivalents
Advanced Cyber Security	PSIN 2013	
Conflict Management and Crisis Intervention	LAWS 2049	
Cyber Security	PSIN 2012	
Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in Community Safety	LAWS 1019	
Field Operations – WIL Seminar	PSIN 2015	
Intelligence and Risk Management	PSIN 2014	
Internship	PSIN 2016	
Introduction to Private Investigation and Surveillance	PSIN 1000	

Each course listed links to course sections with fees.

Advanced Cyber Threats

PSIN 2013

Course description

Students examine current threats to network security and emerging trends, including hacking, ransomware, cryptocurrency, and global areas of concern. Students explore best practices for safeguarding data through effective password management, layered security protocols, and firewall configuration, and evaluate system vulnerabilities by applying security frameworks—such as cryptography, Public Key Infrastructure (PKI), and encryption systems—to manage risk and protect networks and computer-based systems

Credits

3

Course Hours

42

Prerequisites

Post Secondary level PSIN 2012 Cyber Threats Minimum Grade of 50

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.

▼ Advanced Cyber Security - PSIN 2013

Monday, May 4, 2026

OPEN

ADVANCED CYBER SECURITY - PSIN 2013

Fee: \$344.4

Course registration number: 31095

Start: Monday, May 4, 2026

End: Friday, Aug. 14, 2026

Class times

Days	Times	Building - Room
Tuesday	4:00 to 6:50 p.m.	M - 126

NOTE: Course sections and fees for this program show during the Part-time Credit registration (add/drop) period only. This date can be found on our website: [IMPORTANT DATES](#)

The Delivery Schedule shows the order in which part-time students should take courses. This was set by the program coordinator and is highly recommended you follow the path to ensure you have courses to take each semester. If you have questions about which courses to take, connect with the program coordinator. Stephen.waller@georgiancollege.ca

How long will it take to complete the certificate?

The sequencing for part-time students is set up over two full years plus one semester for the Internship. Refer to the Delivery Schedule for sequencing.

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.

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.

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.

Questions? Connect with us!

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