

In Touch

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Surviving the Transition and Staying in Touch



Never too Early to Seek Summer Employment

Summer employment is an excellent opportunity to save money for the upcoming academic year and gain valuable employment experience. Throughout the summer months, Cambrian employs approximately 60-75 students to work on campus on a full-time basis. Job postings are available through the Student Employment and Co-op Services office. If your student is seeking summer employment elsewhere, consider visiting the following websites:

- www.studentsguide.com
- www.youth.gc.ca
- www.careerccc.org/careerdirections/eng/e_ho_set.htm
- www.free-resume-tips.com
- www.damngood.com
- www.resumeworldinc.com
- www.canadajob.com
- www.workopolis.com
- www.hrhc.gc.ca/common/work.shtml
- www.city.greatersudbury.on.ca

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**For more information, please contact:
the Student Employment Services at 566-8101, extension 7350.**

Not the Right Program for Me!

The Counselling Centre can assist students who are unsure of their career interests and who are having difficulty choosing a College program or who believe they have chosen the wrong type of program. The Centre utilizes the Strong Interest Inventory, a career exploration tool that provides students with a detailed report. The report is reviewed with the student during a follow-up appointment with a counsellor and is used to provide guidance with respect to career options/directions.

**For more information, please contact:
The Counselling Centre at 566-8101, extension 7311.**

Registering for 2nd to 4th year

All returning students must pay their fees in full by July 11, 2008. Otherwise, they must fill out the Tuition Fee Payment Agreement Form and return it to the Office of the Registrar, along with a minimum non-refundable deposit of \$150, by July 11, 2008. Students must also attend Registration Day on Wednesday, August 27, 2008 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. at the Barrydowne campus to finalize their registration.

**For more information, please contact:
the Office of the Registrar at 566-8101, extension 3003.**

Convocation

Cambrian's 2008 graduating class will be honoured during four ceremonies - two on Thursday, May 29 and two on Friday, May 30 at the College's Barrydowne campus. Bouquets of flowers, wine, and frames can be purchased in advance and will be available for pick-up at the ceremony. An order form will be mailed to graduating students in March.

**For more information, please contact:
the Cambrian Alumni Office at 566-8101, extension 7414,
or visit www.went2cambrian.com.**

College/University Agreements

Cambrian College has signed a number of articulation agreements that ensure Cambrian graduates and university graduates have the opportunity to further their education and enhance their credentials. These agreements formally recognize credits earned at each institution and facilitate the transfer of these credits toward degrees and/or diplomas. These agreements provide a very cost-efficient means for students to pursue a university degree after obtaining a diploma by reducing educational expenses typically of a four-year degree to approximately two years (estimate). Cambrian College currently has more than 136 university/college agreements in place.

**For more information, please visit
www.cambrianc.on.ca/_About_Cambrian/articulation/articulation.cfm**



Applying for Residence

If your student is starting their studies in September, applications to residence can be made as soon as they have:

- 1) confirmed his/her offer of admission, and
- 2) paid the tuition deposit.

Once he/she has completed these two steps, they can then apply for residence and pay the residence deposit online through Student 411. A paper application form will also be available.

Applications for residence received with the required deposit by April 14, 2008, will be given priority. If applications exceed available rooms, students entering their first year will be given priority, followed by lottery selections. The status of residence applications will be posted to Student 411 accounts the week of April 14, 2008.



Off-Campus Housing Service Offered

Cambrian's Off-Campus Housing list, found online under "Residence," provides an up-to-date listing of apartments, houses, and room-and-board opportunities. Also, the Cambrian Residence office provides a service for students seeking housing. During the summer months, students can stay in residence for \$40/night while they look for off-campus housing. Residence staff will provide assistance along with city maps and other city information.

**For more information, please contact:
the Residence office at 566-8101,
extension 7583 or 7209.**

Sports and Fitness...

Get involved and get active! When you exercise your mind and body, everything works out!

Sports and recreation are an important part of college life and the Cambrian Athletics Association (CAA) offers two levels of programming to meet student needs. Whether they are a serious contender or a casual competitor, they'll find something at Cambrian!

Intramural Sports

If they'd rather play at a recreational level, our intramural sports are a great way to stay active, have fun, and meet new people.

Campus Recreational/Intramural sports offered at Cambrian include:

- co-ed slow pitch
- ice hockey (open)
- co-ed floor hockey
- co-ed basketball
- co-ed beach volleyball
- indoor golf
- bowling
- co-ed indoor soccer
- co-ed volleyball
- co-ed Ultimate Frisbee



Photo credit: Ron Thomson

Varsity Sports

We are extremely proud of our Golden Shield athletes. They have proven year after year that they can excel in both their academic endeavours and their respective sports at both the provincial and national levels.

Varsity Sports offered at Cambrian include:

- badminton
- cross-country running
- fastball (women's)
- soccer (women's and men's)
- volleyball (women's and men's)
- basketball (men's)

Open tryouts are held for all varsity sports. Students must have full-time status to participate on Cambrian's Golden Shield teams.

"You don't stop playing because you grow old...you grow old because you stop playing!"

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Important Dates

April 12:	Spring Open House
April 30:	Semester ends for most programs
May 7 :	Grades will be posted on Student411
May 21:	Victoria Day – College Closed
May 29-30:	Convocation Ceremonies

Applying for OSAP

If your student requires OSAP, applications will be available online at <http://osap.gov.on.ca> in early May. Your student should apply before June to ensure funds will be available in early September. He/she must also book an appointment online with Financial Aid in order to receive funds. Remember, students are required to save and contribute financially to their education even if they are an OSAP recipient.

**For more information, please contact:
the Financial Aid Office at 566-8101, extension 7340.**

Passing Grade

For most programs a passing grade is a D. Each final mark is used to calculate the Grade Point Average (GPA). However, several programs require that students have a higher passing grade in order to graduate from that particular program or to be eligible to apply for other College programs. Passing grades are noted in the course outline for each program, which can be found on Acadnet, Cambrian's **Academic Intranet**. Acadnet is accessible to students and provides the users of the College network many useful resources. The following are the letter grades used to calculate:

A (80-100 %)	= 4 pts
B (70-79 %)	= 3 pts
C (60-69 %)	= 2 pts
D (50-59 %)	= 1 pts
F (0-49 %)	= 0 pts