



## Welcome to MPS

Merrick Preparatory (MPS) is a private co-educational day and boarding high school with a maximum capacity of 60 students, offering grades 9 through 12 and a University Qualification Year (UQY).

Since its opening in 2012, students from more than 26 countries have called Merrick Preparatory School home. International students come for the focused academic attention and small class sizes in one of Canada's safest communities. Domestic students come to broaden their international understanding and perspective by immersing themselves in a truly international education with students from around the world. Both Domestic and International students build lifelong friendships that span the globe and gain entry into world-ranked universities.

Located in historic Merrickville, Ontario (known as "The Jewel of the Rideau") and acclaimed as **Canada's Most Beautiful Village** by *Communities in Bloom*, MPS is perfectly located for focused academic study in a small, safe, caring community. Our school is located in one of the town's most notable buildings. Constructed in 1861, it overlooks the picturesque Rideau River and Canal System (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) and is located just 45 minutes from Ottawa, the nation's capital city.







Maximum Student Capacity



Graduates in 2019



**53** University offers



65,000 Over \$65,000 in University Scholarships received in 2019



555,000 Over \$555,000 in scholarships received by 95 graduates since 2012

## Our Approach

ENHANCED ACADEMIC PROGRAM

At Merrick Preparatory School our focus is on whole student development to ensure success. We have created a failsafe system to ensure each child reaches beyond their grasp to achieve their full potential. Our unique Enhanced Academic Program has five main components integrated into our students' daily lives.

## **▶** Daily Tutorial Support

Upon joining MPS, each student is placed in a grade specific Advisor Group with a Teacher Advisor who is a Guidance Specialist. The Advisor Group, consisting of 6-8 students, meets daily for one hour and stays as an intact group for the duration of a student's stay at MPS, ensuring consistency and support. Advisors provide tutorial support, academic guidance and continuity for the student and parents, providing consistent communication and ensuring each student's specific needs are met.

## Advisor Program

More than just academics, MPS provides a broad education to our students. One hour a week, students meet in their Advisor Group and cover a wide range topics relevant to today's youth. Our unique Advisor Curriculum covers topics ranging from financial literacy, banking and budgeting, to physical, mental and emotional health, to healthy relationships, to diet, hygiene and nutrition, to organizational and time management skills, to effective study habits, stress management and life after MPS.

## International English Language Testing System (IELTS) and Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) Preparation

As part of our Complete Care Program, our Enhanced Academic Program is free of charge and is included in our tuition fee, including three hours of IELTS preparation and one hour of OSSLT preparation a week. Our dedicated ESL and IELTS Specialist delivers three

hours of IELTS preparation per week, ensuring our students have competitive IELTS scores and the advantage required to gain entry into their first-choice university. All students must pass the OSSLT or take the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Course (OSSLC). Our OSSLT specialist teacher provides one-hour of OSSLT preparation per week to prepare students for this Ontario Ministry of Education exam. This preparation also enhances our students' English language skills, thereby improving their overall academic performance.

## University Guidance

All of our teachers are trained and certified Guidance Specialists. Not only does this assist students from grades 9 - 11 during their Daily Tutorial Support, it is specifically to their advantage in grade 12 when their Advisor becomes their University Guidance Counselor. Unlike other schools where one guidance counselor manages the university applications of all students with whom they have no relationship, our expert Guidance Counselors have a deep understanding of their Advisees and are perfectly positioned to guide them through the university application process. For one hour a week in their grade 12 year, our students meet with their Guidance Specialist to ensure complete, full and timely applications, including scholarship applications. The result is a 100% post-secondary placement rate with 100% acceptance into first-choice programs at world-

ranked universities and over 50%

of our students winning significant scholarships.

#### Student Success Program

Each week all MPS staff, together with the Headmaster, meet for one hour to review and discuss each students' progress and success. Meeting weekly ensures strategies for success for each student are reviewed and adjusted, ensuring no student falls through the cracks. With our Daily Tutorial Support, Advisor Program, small class sizes, maximum school size of 60 students, dedicated Residential Life Staff who work with our students after school and on weekends, and a Headmaster who lives on campus, no student can fall through the cracks because there are no cracks! Even the smallest of concerns, academic or social, are addressed immediately. The result is our students are successful on every front, learning the coping skills to address any issue they confront.



# University Destinations 2012–2019

#### ONTARIO

Brock University Carleton University Laurentian University

McMaster University Queen's University

Ryerson University
Trent University
University of Guelph
University of Ottawa

University of Toronto
University of Waterloo
Western University
Wilfrid Laurier University
York University

# OTHER CANADIAN UNIVERSITIES

Alberta University of the Arts
Bishop's University
Concordia University
McGill University
Simon Fraser University
University of Alberta
University of British Columbia
University of Calgary
University of New Brunswick

## U.S. UNIVERSITIES

California State University,
Los Angeles
College of San Mateo
Northeastern University
Stevens Institute of Technology
University of Florida
University of Tampa

# INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITIES

Lancaster University Shanghai University

University of the Creative Arts, Canterbury

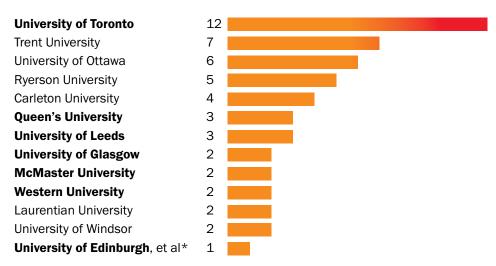
Tecnologico de Monterrey

University of Edinburgh University of Glasgow University of Leeds University of Sussex

University of Stathclyde

- \*Bold Signifies QS World Ranking top 250
- \*\* Italics signifies destinations of our 2019 graduates

## Top University Acceptances, Class Of 2019



<sup>\*</sup>University of Alberta, Lancaster University, York University, Alberta University of the Arts, University of New Brunswick, Saint Francis Xavier University, University of Aberdeen, Brock University, University of Tampa, Algoma University, Sheridan College, Fleming College

## Programs Of Study, Class Of 2019



Engineering (36%)



Business/Finance/ Economics (29%)



Science (21%)



International Development and Visual Arts (7%)

## **Programs Offered**

#### Academic Grades 9, 10, 11 And 12

Earn credits toward the world recognized Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD)

## **University Qualification Year**

World class university preparation for those who have a high school diploma

# English As A Second Language (ESL) Foundation

Improve your English in preparation for the OSSD

#### **High School Credit Summer Program**

Designed to enhance your academic standing 4 WEEKS

## English As A Second Language (ESL) Summer Program

A camp-like environment for those who wish to improve their English 4 WEEKS

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Course Offerings 2012—2019	9	10	11	12	ESI
Biology			•	•	
Business Leadership: Management Fundamentals				•	
Business: Accounting Fundamentals			•		
Business: International Business Fundamentals				•	
Business: Introduction to Business	•	•			
Canadian and International Law				•	
Canadian and World Geography				•	
Canadian and World Politics				•	
Canadian Geography	•				
Canadian History Since World War I		•			
Canadian Studies					•
Career Studies & Civics and Citizenship		•			
Challenge and Change in Society				•	
Chemistry			•		
Drama	•	•	•		
Earth and Space Science				•	
Economics: Analyzing Current Economic Issues					
English	•	•	•	•	
English (Conversational)					
English as a Second Language (ESLDO) Level 4					
English as a Second Language (ESLEO) Level 5					
Environmental and Resource Management					
Environmental Science			•		
Exploring Technologies	•				
French as a Second Language	•				
Food and Nutrition	•				
Force of Nature: Physical Processes and Disasters			•		
Georgraphy: Canadian and World Geography					
Healthy Active Living					
Health For Life			•		
Introduction to Anthropology, Sociology and Psychology			•		
Mathematics: Principles of Mathematics					
Mathematics: Functions and Applications			•		
Mathematics: Functions			•		
Mathematics: Advanced Functions					
Mathematics: Calculus and Vectors					
Mathematics: Data Management					
Media Studies			•		
Ontario Secondary School Literacy Course (OSSLC)			•		
Origins of Citizenship: History of a Canadian Ethnic Group			•		
Philisophy: Questions and Theories					
Physics					
Science			-	•	
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Travel and Tourism: A Geographical Perspective			•		
World History Cines 1900: Clobal and Regional Interactions			_	•	
World History Since 1900: Global and Regional Interactions			•		
World History Since the 15th Century				•	
World History to the End of the 15th Century			•		
World History: The West and the World	$\perp$			•	



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Percentage of graduates accepted to world-ranked universities



26

Number of offers granted to our 14 graduates in 2019 to top 250 world-ranked universities



140

In-class instructional hours per course compared to the Ontario standard of 110



10

Average class size



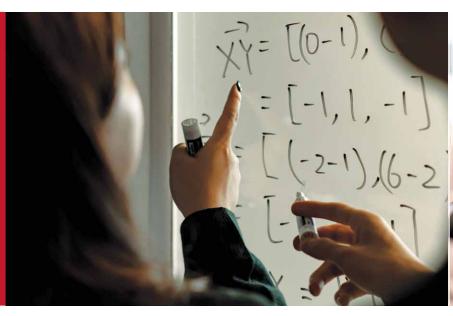
Hours of IELTS preparation per week



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Hours of advising combined with university counseling per week







Vibrant Student Life

High Quality Education









# Critical Dates

Arrival Date	Tuesday September 8, 2020
First Day of Classes	Wednesday September 9, 2020
Last Day of Classes/Departure Date	Friday December 18, 2020
Winter Holidays - School Closed	Saturday December 19, 2020—Saturday January 2, 2021
Return Date	Sunday January 3, 2021
End of Semester 1	Tuesday February 2, 2021
Arrival Date for New Students Starting Semester 2	Tuesday February 2, 2021
Start of Semester 2	Thursday February 4, 2021
March Break - School Closed	Saturday March 13—Saturday March 20, 2021
Last Day of Classes/Graduation/Departure Date	Friday June 25, 2021
Summer School and ESL Program	Monday July 6—Friday July 31, 2020

# Program Fees

Grade 9, 10 and ESL Foundation (Boarding)	CAD \$56,200
Grade 11, 12 and UQY (Boarding)	CAD \$58,200
Grade 9 and 10 (Domestic Day)	CAD \$16,250
Grade 11, 12 and UQY (Domestic Day)	CAD \$17,850
Summer High School Credit Program (Boarding)	CAD \$7,200
Summer High School Credit Program (Domestic Day)	CAD \$2,450
Summer English as a Second Language (ESL) Program	CAD \$5,400

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I began Orientation Week at the University of Toronto for Aero Space Engineering on Monday, and I am liking it so far! I

would not have been able to reach this step if not for my Merrick Family. I really want to say a huge 'THANK YOU' to all of you. Thank you for accepting me into your family last year. Thank you for all your helpful advice and care that you have given me this past year. You are all wonderful! You have all helped me to grow and I feel much more ready for the new journey that awaits. Lastly, I want to appreciate all your support during the summer break; your research, your words of encouragement and your concern towards my progress all meant a lot to me.

Olamide from Nigeria



Merrick Preparatory School prepared me very well for studying at the University of Toronto. Compared to my peers

in my classes I am better prepared and able to handle the large workload. The teachers at Merrick Prep covered much of the material I am now studying as a first-year university student; they prepared me exceedingly well. Merrick Preparatory School also taught me how to take notes appropriately in a lecture and seminar format class. I am writing, not typing, all my notes in English on my tablet. The education I received at Merrick Preparatory School was excellent and prepared me extremely well for studies at the University of Toronto.

ChuanWen (Oscar) from China



Merrick Preparatory School has better prepared me for university than other schools I have attended because they

offer more support, care and one-onone instruction. The small class sizes and the detailed attention and instruction from my teachers has made all the difference!

Evelyn from Mexico City



I'm so thankful to you [Headmaster Kevin Farrell], and Mrs. Bannon and of course my teachers, classmates,

a n d friends and everyone in Merrick Prep. I'm here because of you! I learned so much at Merrick Preparatory School; sometimes it was really hard, but worth it because I'm here now! I miss Merrick Prep so much! Thanks again for believing in me! It made all the difference!

Deren from Turkey Com



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