

# Cognitive Science

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## Admissions Information

Admission requirements are based on the Ontario High School System. Prospective students can view the admission requirements through the Admissions website at [admissions.carleton.ca](https://admissions.carleton.ca). The overall average required for admission is determined each year on a program-by-program basis. Holding the minimum admission requirements only establishes eligibility for consideration; higher averages are required for admission to programs for which the demand for places by qualified applicants exceeds the number of places available. All programs have limited enrolment and admission is not guaranteed. Some programs may also require specific course prerequisites and prerequisite averages and/or supplementary admission portfolios. Consult [admissions.carleton.ca](https://admissions.carleton.ca) for further details.

**Note:** If a course is listed as recommended, it is not mandatory for admission. Students who do not follow the recommendations will not be disadvantaged in the admission process.

## Degrees

- Bachelor of Cognitive Science (B.Cog.Sci.) (Honours)
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## Admission Requirements

### First Year

The Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) or equivalent including a minimum of six 4U or M courses. The six 4U or M courses must include a 4U course in English (or *anglais*). Applicants submitting an English language test to satisfy the requirements of the English Language Proficiency section of this Calendar may use that test to also satisfy the 4U English prerequisite requirement.

The cut-off average for admission will be set annually and will normally be above the minimum requirement.

### Advanced Standing

Applications for admission beyond first year will be assessed on their merits. Applicants must normally be *Eligible to Continue* in their year level, in addition to meeting the CGPA thresholds described in Section 3.1.9 of the *Academic Regulations of the University*. Advanced standing will be granted only for those subjects that are assessed as being appropriate for the program and stream selected.

### Co-op Option

#### Direct Admission to the First Year of the Co-op Option

Applicants must:

1. meet the required overall admission cut-off average and prerequisite course average. These averages may be higher than the stated minimum requirements;
2. be registered as a full-time student in the Bachelor of Cognitive Science Honours;

3. be eligible to work in Canada (for off-campus work placements).

Meeting the above requirements only establishes eligibility for admission to the program. The prevailing job market may limit enrolment in the co-op option. Students should also note that hiring priority is given to Canadian citizens for co-op positions in the Public Service Commission.

**Note:** continuation requirements for students previously admitted to the co-op option and admission requirements for the co-op option after beginning the program are described in the Co-operative Education Regulations section of this Calendar.