Break new ground.























Ranked among

Canada's

Top 5

Research

Colleges

The Olds College **Botanic Gardens is** home to more than 5.000 species across 25 acres

Founded in 1913

> Students from 42 countries represented on campus

> > 100+ program options

Impressive athletic facilities, featuring: a **High Performance Centre** equipped with strength and cardio equipment

3 basketball courts

volleyball courts

badminton courts

multipurpose rooms

200 m indoor running track

\$9M facility Canadian **Equine Centre of Innovation**



Our Animal Health Technology Centre and Veterinary Technology students provide spay/neuter and other vet care to approximately

animals a year, all of which are from local animal rescue organizations!

Average class size is 25

3,000+ acre

138 beers brewed by students in the **Craft Beverage and Brewery Operations Diploma**

98+ projects in industry-driven applied research during 2023/24

Home to the new 3,000 m² \$14 million Werklund **Agriculture and Technology** Centre

Home to Canada's largest turfgrass management program



Students

have the opportunity to engage with state-of-the-art cutting-edge technology as part of their learning experience



recommend Olds

College to a friend



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DISCOVER OLDS

A Scenic Haven Nestled Between Prairies and Peaks

Experience the perfect blend of small-town charm and big-city amenities, all within reach of the majestic Canadian Rocky Mountains and thriving urban centers. With more than 9,500 residents, Olds is a major agribusiness hub as well as a base for oilfield service and light industrial manufacturers.

Check out the Olds Aquatic Centre, Sportsplex, Splashpark and Curling Club, or follow the town's trail system that leads you to the skatepark, horse shoe pits, baseball diamonds, soccer pitches, football fields and more.

Jasper Edmonton Olds
Banff Calgary

Explore historic Uptowne Olds with great shopping, restaurants and public art features with many historical sites and buildings.

The Town of Olds is proud to showcase its vibrant art culture, known as 'Olds Rocks,' along the Highway 27 Sculpture Pathway.

On Nov. 9, 2009, Olds became the first Fair Trade Town in Alberta, the seventh in all of Canada. Fair trade supports the development of thriving farmer and worker communities who then have more control over their futures and in protecting the environment where they live and work.

Olds College of Agriculture & Technology is located in the traditional territories of the Niitsitapi (Blackfoot) and the people of the Treaty 7 region in Southern Alberta, which includes the Siksika, the Piikani, the Kainai, the Tsuut'ina and the Stoney Nakoda First Nations. The area is also home to Métis Nation of Alberta, District 3.

1 hour away Calgary, Alberta



2 hours away Edmonton, Alberta



2 hours away Banff, Alberta



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- Bob and Carollyne Collier Student Commons: A space for studying, networking and unwinding located in the Werklund Agriculture and Technology Centre.
- Smart Farm: A 3,000+ acre learning and research hub advancing agricultural technologies, providing real-world experiences for students.
- Animal Health Education Centre:
 A cutting-edge facility featuring specialized instructional spaces, a small animal hospital, animal housing, along with the National Meat Training Centre.
- 4. **W.J. Elliott Agricultural Mechanics Building:** The facility includes four large

- labs equipped with advanced agriculture 8. and construction equipment, alongside classrooms and tool room.
- **Equine Riding Arenas:** Brawn Arena and McClellan Arena offer stabling for 76 horses, with dedicated areas for tack rooms and wash bays.
- The Atrium: A glass seating area filled with greenery, situated in the Land Sciences Building and often used for special events.
- Landscape Pavilion: A 12,000 sq ft indoor facility with a heated earth floor for landscape and golf course construction, irrigation installation and testing.

- **Greenhouses:** Provides controlled environments for plant growth, supporting education, research, botanical gardens and generating funds through sales events.
- **Arboriculture Lab:** Located in our 12,000 sq ft heated indoor landscape pavilion, with a 2,500 sq ft irrigation lab adjacent to the main area.
- The Brewery: Enjoy a cold one at our on-site brewery. Producing all types and styles of beer, including student created brews, you'll find new and seasonal options, along with our four 'core' brands.
- 11. **Learning Commons:** A comprehensive hub provides an array of free services

- and resources, encompassing a library, Makerspace and the Technology and Learning Centre of Innovation.
- Elements Dining Fusion: Our dining hall serves comforting classics and exciting flavours, expertly crafted by our dedicated chef.
- Retail Meat Store: Shop our on-site meat store for top-quality, locally-grown meat processed by students under the supervision of our expert staff.
- 14. **Botanic Gardens and Wetlands:**

An educational and research hub, promoting environmental stewardship through their unique areas like the 15-acre constructed wetlands.

LIVING ON CAMPUS

Are you ready to transform your college years into an unforgettable adventure? Living on campus at Olds College is your gateway to a journey filled with academic achievements, personal growth and lifelong friendships. Immerse yourself in the heart of student life and embrace the

Embrace the Full College Experience

Living on campus fully immerses you in the vibrant college experience. Our student-centered campus offers many advantages for an exceptional

Top five reasons to live in residence:

- **Live Close:** No more commuting means you can hit the snooze button one more time. All buildings on campus are a five-minute walk away.
- **Vibrant Community:** Living in residence creates a vibrant community where classmates and friends are just a door or two away.
- Academic Success: Studies show that students who live in residence perform better academically and are more likely to complete their programs better academically and are more likely to complete their programs.
- Cost-Effective Living: Our on-campus housing fee includes internet, cable, water, heat and electricity. Plus, our rooms come furnished with a bed
- **Have Fun:** Our Residence Services team curates an exciting schedule of activities, ensuring endless fun for everyone! Experience pet nights, sizzling BBQs and so much more.



College Court Townhouses

Designed to blend independence and community, our townhouses offer the ideal balance between personal space and social engagement.

Each townhouse offers four private rooms and two shared bathrooms, along with a shared kitchen and living room. Each room is equipped with a double bed, desk, chair, closet and bookshelf.

Centennial Village

Discover a residence with 400 single, private rooms, offering a dynamic living experience and inclusive spaces and amenities to enhance your college life.

Inside each room, thoughtful design elements contribute to an optimal living environment. Enjoy a double bed, ample closet space, a spacious desk and a private washroom.

Access a diverse array of amenities including a student lounge, fitness center, study rooms, outdoor gear storage, on-site labs and reliable wired LAN and WiFi connections for an enriched college experience.



wheelchair-accessible suites, gender-neutral washrooms and



Meal Plans

Discover the convenience and flexibility of our comprehensive meal plans* designed to meet all of your on-campus dining needs.

Meal Plan 1 "All You Care to Eat"

Includes unlimited entry to Elements Dining Hall.

Meal Plan 2

"Digital Flex Pass"

Flex Pass dollars can be spent at all Chartwells locations on campus, including: Elements Dining Hall, Tim Hortons (DMP) and Center Court (RKC). Flex dollars are nonrefundable and can be topped up if you run out mid-semester.



Become a Resident



STUDENT SUPPORTS

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI)

The Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) committee, made up of staff and faculty members, coordinates learning opportunities and events in support of EDI.

Our Purpose: Advocate for all genders, races and marginalized students and staff, creating a safe and welcoming environment on campus.

OC Pride

OC Pride is an informal club that brings together students, faculty and staff who identify as LGBTQIA2S+ or as allies. OC Pride works as a Gender and Sexuality Alliance (GSA), striving to provide support, connection, social events and education to all of our LGBTQIA2S+ community members and allies.





Health & Wellness Services

Our mission is to empower our students through holistic, inclusive and meaningful support services to optimize overall well-being. We strive to promote resilience and wellness in our student population through education, awareness, collaboration and access to resources as they transition into, through and out of their college experience.

Student Counselling

Free and confidential counselling services are available to all students offering individual counselling, workshops and online wellness programs.

Nurse on Campus

Available Monday - Friday

Provides confidential assessment, treatment and referral of physical illness or injuries, as well as vaccines and free flu shots.

Doctor on Campus

Available once a week on campus.



CAMPUS SAFETY



Olds College is committed to creating a safe and welcoming learning environment for our students, staff and visitors. We have several safety services and procedures in place including the Safe Walk program offered to any student, faculty, staff or guest requesting a security guard escort to or from your vehicle, office or other campus location.

Olds College ALERT App



FITNESS AND RECREATION

CLC Fitness Centre

A wide range of recreation opportunities are offered to our students through the CLC Fitness Centre located on campus.

The centre features: three gymnasiums, 200-metre running track, fitness spaces and workout equipment. Intramural leagues, access to the Outdoor Centre for outdoor gear rentals, and the Olds Aquatic Centre are also available for all students

Aquatic Centre

The on-campus aquatic centre provides weekly scheduled morning/ early-bird swim, land swim, public swim and adult swim.



BRONCOS ATHLETICS

Become a Bronco

Interested playing for the Broncos?

Join our fall tryouts or spring ID camps to showcase your skills and meet our coaches.

Become a Broncos student-athlete, register now!

Want to be part of the action? Join the Broncos' game day staff and help create an exciting, safe and organized experience for everyone

Learn more

Broncos Athletics is built on a foundation of teamwork, strong work ethic and athletic excellence. We believe that sports – whether you're a player or a passionate enthusiast – provide an incredible opportunity for personal growth, skill development and a sense of belonging.

With our passionate coaches spearheading the way, we are fully committed to developing athletes and establishing championshipcalibre teams.

Broncos Athletics is proud to participate in six sports in the Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference (ACAC) and the Canadian Collegiate Rodeo Association (CCRA).

Co-ed Intramurals

Join a league during the fall and winter at the Community Learning Campus! Open to students, staff and the community, our leagues provide opportunities to play badminton, basketball, eSports, rodeo, soccer and volleyball.

Mixed Sports Rodeo

Men's Sports Basketball Soccer Volleyball Futsal

Basketball Hockey Soccer Volleyball

Women's Sports



STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION



Your Needs. **Our Services**

Academic Appeal

Receive the support you need and smoothly navigate the academic appeals process, ensuring fairness, transparency and a stress-free academic journey.

Health and Wellness

Get complete health and dental coverage, including routine checkups and specialized treatments like physiotherapy and naturopathy.

Food Bank

Students in need of additional support have access to a noquestions-asked food bank offered by the SAOC.

OCWorks

A platform that helps students track and connect with employers for job opportunities, while documenting their curricular and co-curricular experiences. It includes student clubs, peer programs, student government. volunteer opportunities and different types of experiential learning. It also offers a job board with current opportunities for students and alumni.

Marketplace

Students seeking off-campus housing or looking to buy/sell textbooks can join SAOC-run Facebook groups to connect with local community members and peers.

The Student Association of Olds College is here to help you connect, excel and thrive. The SAOC exists to provide services to our members, foster community within our spaces and advocate for the needs of all students at Olds College. Will you be a part of the change?

Our Spaces - Your New Favourite Spots

The Crossing: A place to gather.

Meet friends, celebrate, enjoy concerts, dances, DJs, or grab lunch.

Bloom

Located in the Atrium of the Land Sciences Centre, Bloom cafe is a great place to grab a coffee and snack on your way to class.

Multi-Faith Room: A place to be yourself.

A dedicated space for students and faculty to pray or meditate, providing a monitored, clean and accommodating environment for their spiritual needs.



Join a Club!

Explore our program-related clubs for a wide range of interests, networking opportunities and skillbuilding that will shape your college life and beyond.

> Follow us to stay connected.

(a) @saoldscollege





INDIGENOUS SERVICES

Oki, Tannishi, Tawâw

Olds College is situated on traditional Treaty 7 territory and District 3 of the Alberta Métis Nation. We recognize that Indigenous peoples are the first peoples of our country and we honour and respect those roots.

At Olds College, our goal is to foster an environment of mutual respect and trust among all learners. Indigenous students, along with members of faculty and staff at the College have expressed a desire to have spaces on campus that reflect the rich history and culture of Indigenous people.

With respect to the recommendations put forth in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada report (2015), it is both our desire and responsibility to support Indigenous learners in an honest, respectful and welcoming manner as they pursue their studies at Olds College.

We strive to learn from Indigenous students and their families and to embrace opportunities to learn about Indigenous knowledge and ways of knowing. In step with Indigenous learners, we work to build credible and sustainable relationships with Indigenous communities.

Gathering Room

The Gathering Room is located on the North side of the Learning Commons in the Learning Resource Centre. It is offered as a place to host ceremony, create dialogue and offer knowledge sharing.









ACADEMIC SUPPORTS

Accessibility Services

Accessibility Services at Olds College is committed to creating an inclusive and optimal learning environment for all students. Offering a variety of supports and services for students with diagnosed disabilities, mental health diagnosis, or learning challenges, Accessibility Services works to remove barriers and promote success.

Tutor Support

Content specific tutoring and supplemental learning opportunities. A second year student with proven academic grasp in a particular course or subject matter will meet with you for one-to-one assistance.

- Clarify your understanding in personalized, one-to-one sessions
- Meet in the library at mutually convenient times
- Appointments are usually one hour in duration

Intercultural Skills

Get ready for the global marketplace. Meet students from around the world. Lead or join a conversation club.

Reading and Note-Taking Strategies

Learn strategies for active reading, enhancing reading comprehension and taking effective notes.

Exam Strategies

Learn how to prepare for exams and how to cope with anxiety.

Time Management and Organization Skills

Learn strategies to maximize your academic success.

Writing

Learn to plan, draft and edit written assignments effectively. Understand the tools and resources available for you. Understand and use APA.

English Language Development

Get the language skills you need for your courses beyond basic admissions requirements. Get free college-level listening, speaking, reading and writing support. On your schedule. Free. Professional and peer coaching.



WORK-INTEGRATED LEARNING

Experience Matters: Your Gateway to Industry

At Olds College, we believe in going beyond textbooks and lectures and bridging the gap between the classroom and the real world. Our programs incorporate Work-Integrated Learning (WIL), which means you will receive valuable hands-on experience in a professional environment. With WIL, you can elevate your career by combining academic learning with practical skills.

Types of Work-Integrated Learning

Directed Field Study:

In the fourth year of an applied degree program, undertake an eightmonth Directed Field Study, gaining in-depth industry experience.

Mandatory Professional Practicum/Clinical Placement:

If your discipline requires practicebased work experience for licensure or certification, our professional practicum placements will prepare you for your career.

Co-operative Education:

Alternate between academic study and work terms in a structured program, gaining valuable paid work experience.

Community Service:

Integrate community service with instruction to foster civic responsibility and enhance your learning experience

Field Placement:

Engage in a hands-on, short-term practical experience that aligns with your area of study. Field placements offer valuable insights and

Internships:

Participate in a supervised, disciplinespecific experience, allowing you to apply your knowledge in a professional setting.

Entrepreneurship:

Leverage resources and mentorship to develop business start-ups or address real-world needs while earning academic credit.

Applied Research/Capstone

Collaborate with host organizations, including Olds College, on real-world projects that enhance your problem-



CREDENTIALS THAT MATTER

Certificates: (12 weeks-1 year)

Our certificate programs offer a unique blend of theoretical knowledge, hands-on training and access to advanced facilities and industry connections. With real-world learning experiences, you'll be fully prepared to enter the workforce or enhance your professional journey. Complete our certificates in a year or

Diplomas: (2 years)

Our industry-focused diploma programs offer hands-on learning experiences, led by seasoned industry experts. With workintegrated learning and a two-year completion timeline, these programs equip you with the skills, tools and knowledge for a successful career and lasting impact.

Post-Diploma Certificates:

Geared towards students with a diploma or its equivalent, our one-year post-diploma certificate is perfect for recent grads in fields like business or science who want to level up their skills. It's also great for mature learners considering a career change.

Apprenticeships:

As one of Alberta's leading apprenticeship training providers, we take pride in our century-long legacy of shaping skilled professionals. Our valuable industry affiliations grant access to cutting-edge equipment and technology, enhancing your handson experience. Guided by industry experts, our apprenticeship program equips you with essential trade skills.

Degrees: (2–4 years)

We offer degrees for various career paths. Choose from three applied science degrees: Horticulture, Golf Course Management and Agribusiness. These programs provide hands-on learning through oneyear classroom study and one-year Direct Field Study. They require a recognized two-year diploma and focus on job readiness. Alternatively, consider our four-year Bachelor of Digital Agriculture for theoretical knowledge and critical thinking in agriculture technology.

> 95% of graduates are employed



Program Delivery Methods

On-Campus: Your course activity is done in-person Monday through Friday.

Blended: Some coursework will be in-person, on-campus and some will be done online.

Online: Your course activity is online Monday through Friday.

Online Flexible: Your course activity is not scheduled, and therefore you can complete your coursework at a time that suits your life best.

AGRICULTURE

Cultivate Your Future:

Transformative Education in the Field of Agriculture

Agricultural Management

Credential: Diploma
Length: 2 years

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Learn essential business skills and develop a deep understanding of agricultural technology and sustainability with a choice of two majors: Agricultural Production or Agricommerce.

Bachelor of Applied Science - Agribusiness

Credential: Applied Degree

Length: Diploma + minimum 16 months

Delivery Method: On-campus + directed field study

Program Intake: Fall

Equip yourself with the skills needed to be successful in the dynamic global agriculture industry through industry focused instruction, communication, networking and a unique eight-month Directed Field Study.





In 2020, a generous donation of

10 Red Angus

heifer calves has flourished into a remarkable herd of 20 breeding females.



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AGRICULTURE TECHNOLOGY

AgTech Innovators:

Reshaping the Future of Farming through Technology-Driven Education

Bachelor of Digital Agriculture

- Credential: Applied Degree
- Length: 4 years
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- Program Intake: Fall

Lead transformative change in global agriculture through multidisciplinary leadership, digital technologies, data sciences and sustainable practices for social, economic and environmental goals.

Agriculture Technology Integration Post-Diploma

- **Credential:** Post-Diploma Certificate
- Length: 8 months
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- **Program Intake:** Fall

Gain hands-on experience with current and emerging agricultural technology by applying theories to real-world scenarios through systems thinking, critical thinking, data literacy, technology, design thinking, communication, entrepreneurial mindset, project management and leadership.

Precision Agriculture - Techgronomy

- Credential: Diploma
- **Length:** 2 years
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- **Program Intake:** Fall

Gain the skills and knowledge to bridge the gap between advancing technology and agriculture, and make data-driven decisions for sustainable crop production.

Students have a unique opportunity to gain hands-on experience with the cutting-edge **OMNiPOWER platform**. This autonomous power platform supports various attachments used in crop production and agronomy, giving students practical experience with the latest ag-tech innovations. Thanks to a partnership with Raven Industries, students can work with both the 2020 model and the new OMNiPOWER 3200 platform, preparing them for the future of the ag-tech industry.



The Werklund
Agriculture and
Technology Centre
boasts a
3.000 m²

space dedicated to technology-focused learning, including a lecture theatre, ag-tech labs, collaboration areas and a student commons.

ANIMAL HEALTH

Pioneering Excellence in Animal Health Education:

Where Innovation, Technology & Passion Meet

Veterinary Technology

- **Credential:** Diploma
- Length: 16 months
- Delivery Method: On-campus
- Program Intake: Fall / Winter / Spring

Gain hands-on expertise in animal care, diagnostics, surgery and communication for a successful career in the animal health industry.

Veterinary Medical Receptionist

- **Credential:** Certificate
- Length: 1 year
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- Program Intake: Fall / Winter / Spring

Develop essential office administration, customer service and veterinary medicine skills to become an invaluable asset to any veterinary team.

Veterinary Technical Assistant

- **Credential:** Certificate
- Length: 4 months
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- Program Intake: Fall / Winter / Spring

Develop essential skills in patient preparation, animal handling and veterinary procedures to excel in the animal health field, supporting veterinary practices with confidence and professionalism.

Did You Know?



Our Animal Health program partners with four animal rescues in Central Alberta.

Our Animal Health Education Centre has recently undergone a \$15+ million redevelopment, creating a state-of-the-art facility with specialized instructional spaces, a small animal hospital and animal housing units. It offers hands-on instruction with surgical suites, diagnostic labs and exam areas, as well as housing for a variety of animals.







BUSINESS

Pave Your Path to Business Success:

Guiding the Next Generation of Business Innovators and Visionaries

Business Management

Credential: Certificate

Length: 1 year

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Develop foundational business management, marketing and accounting skills to excel in entrylevel management positions and drive organizational success in today's competitive business environment.

Business Management -General Management Major

Credential: Diploma

Length: 2 years

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Master foundational business concepts through project-based learning, strategic leadership, resource management, critical thinking and effective communication for success in diverse business areas. including rural businesses.

Business Management -Sports Management Major

Credential: Diploma

Length: 2 years

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Learn to integrate business concepts with sport administration, gaining valuable skills in strategic decisionmaking, resource management and effective communication for success in the sports industry.

New Space Unveiled: \$20,000 Grant

Thanks to the CPA Education Foundation, our Business students now have access to an upgraded space with advanced technology and collaboration zones.





EQUINE

From Passion to Profession:

Build a Rewarding Equine Career

Farrier Science

Credential: Certificate

Length: 1 year

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Develop essential farriery and blacksmithing techniques, gain in-depth knowledge of equine anatomy and physiology, learn forge modifications and develop client communication skills, preparing you for success in the equine industry.

Equine Care and Management

Credential: Certificate

Length: 1 year

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Develop essential equine care and management skills, including horse behaviour, herd management, first aid and effective communication, to thrive in various equinerelated sectors.

Equine Massage Therapy

Credential: Certificate

Length: 1 year

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Taught by experienced practitioners, you'll gain handson mastery of techniques that promote equine comfort, performance and recovery.

Equine Reproduction Technician

Credential: Certificate

Length: 1 year

Delivery Method: Blended

Program Intake: Fall

Master modern equine breeding techniques, while managing breeding facilities and caring for pregnant mares and foals.

> Did you know you can bring your own horse and board it on-campus? For more information and boarding costs, visit oldscollege.ca/campus



Our Farrier Science program has hosted the Olds Classic horseshoeing contest for the last 40 years.





HORTICULTURE

Rooted in Excellence:

Grow Your Expertise in the Diverse Field of Horticulture

Arboriculture Technician

- **Credential:** Certificate
- Length: 4 months
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- **Program Intake:** Winter

Master the essentials of urban forestry, gaining expertise in tree management, safety standards, risk evaluation and horticulture, all while keeping pace with the continual shifts in the industry.

Horticulture Technologist

- **Credential:** Diploma
- Length: 2 years
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- Program Intake: Fall

Gain practical skills in landscape design, entrepreneurship, greenhouse production in response to market demands, and an understanding of the impacts of horticulture decisions on environment, economy and society.

Turfgrass Management

- **Credential:** Diploma
- Length: 2 years
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- **Program Intake:** Winter

Gain proficiency in turfgrass management, honing skills in renovation, construction, irrigation, design and water management.

Bachelor of Applied Science - Horticulture

- **Credential:** Applied Degree
- Length: Diploma + 2 years
- **Delivery Method:** Blended
- Program Intake: Fall

Enhance your horticulture knowledge combining scientific and technological concepts with business acumen, and gaining expertise in pest management, sustainable technologies, problem-solving and ethical practices.

Bachelor of Applied Science - Golf Course Management

- **Credential:** Applied Degree
- Length: Diploma + 2 years
- **Delivery Method:** Blended
- **Program Intake:** Fall

Acquire advanced technical training and business acumen to manage complex golf course ecosystems, with a focus on critical thinking, effective communication and ethical decision-making.

Horticulture Post-Diploma Certificate

- Credential: Post-Diploma Certificate
- Length: 1 year
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- Program Intake: Fall

Enhance your expertise in the specialized field of horticulture with practical skills, catering to recent graduates and mature learners seeking career advancement.



Every fall, first year Horticulture students go on three field trips, visiting

12+

industry sites.

Did you know?

Our greenhouse facility spans

20.000 sq ft and comprises 12 expansive

structures. It features a dedicated Header House for plant preparation and uses advanced computer software to control the climate for optimal growth.





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Fun fact:

Our Arboriculture Technician

students go beyond learning the ropes.

They put their tree climbing skills to the test by pruning campus trees, conquering our state-ofthe-art indoor climbing wall and even engaging in a friendly game of Quidditch suspended from the rafters of our Arb Lab.

LAND AND ENVIRONMENT

Discover your Purpose, Chart Your Course:

Drive Change in Land and Environmental Stewardship

Environmental Science and Technology

Credential: Diploma

Length: 2 years

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Gain skills in managing land resources using the principles of agronomy, ethics and critical thinking, with a focus on sustainable practices.

Environment Post- Diploma Certificate

Credential: Post-Diploma Certificate

Length: 1 year

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Enhance your expertise in the specialized field of land and environment with practical skills, catering to recent graduates and mature learners seeking career advancement.

Graduates are eligible for membership in the Alberta Institute of Agrologists (AIA) where they can pursue the following professional designations: In-Training Program (ATT), Professional Agrologist (PAg) and Registered Technologist in Agrology (RTAg)





HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM

Unleash your Passion:

Transform Your Service Industry Career

Hospitality and Tourism

- **Credential:** Certificate
- Length: 1 year
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- **Program Intake:** Fall / Winter

Learn key hospitality skills such as front office operations, menu planning, food preparation and marketing concepts.

Hospitality and Tourism Management

- Credential: Diploma
- Length: 2 years
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- **Program Intake:** Fall

Gain expertise in delivering exceptional guest experiences, managing diverse teams, adhering to professional standards and applying leadership principles in the hospitality and tourism industry.

Hospitality and Tourism Management Post-Diploma Certificate

- **Credential:** Post-Diploma Certificate
- Length: 1 year
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- Program Intake: Fall / Winter

Enhance your existing knowledge with operational and management skills, including front office operations, guest services, menu planning, tour guiding and marketing concepts for the hospitality industry. Recognized as a SMART Accredited Program through Tourism HR Canada. Graduates earn certifications in Proserve, Food Handling and First Aid.

Craft Beverage and Brewery Operations

BREWING AND

MEAT PROCESSING

- Credential: Diploma
- Length: 2 years
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- **Program Intake:** Fall

Gain proficiency in the art and science of brewing, recipe development, quality evaluation, marketing strategies, industry evolution and brewery management.

Meat Processing

- Credential: Certificate
- **Length:** 15 weeks
- **Delivery Method:** On-campus
- Program Intake: Fall / Winter / Spring

Master skills in humane livestock slaughter, retail meat cutting, food safety, sanitation, valueadded meat production and professional interaction for the





Every second-year student has a chance to launch a beer to market. They create, brew, package and promote their own recipe. Most beer is sold through the school's Retail store.







TRADES

Master the Trades:

Shape Your Future With Confidence

Agricultural and Heavy Equipment

Credential: Certificate

Length: 1 year

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Gain hands-on expertise in diagnosing, repairing and maintaining agricultural and heavy equipment, while prioritizing safety, effective communication and the utilization of cutting-edge technologies in this comprehensive program.

Agricultural and Heavy Equipment

Credential: Diploma

Length: Certificate + 1 year

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Learn from experienced, industrytrained instructors, and receive hands-on education in a fully equipped workshop. This one-year program builds on the Agriculture and Heavy Equipment certificate. Choose from two majors: Agricultural Equipment or Heavy Equipment.

Heavy Equipment Operator

Credential: Certificate

Length: 12 weeks

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Winter /

Spring / Fall

Learn while completing various industry standard projects to apply your operating skills. Seat time is maximized for students as online instruction supplements the real-life scenarios set out to give you industry-related project experience.



Pre-Employment Heavy Equipment Technician

Credential: Certificate
Length: 12 weeks

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Acquire practical training in maintenance, diagnostics and repair skills while obtaining an education comparable to a first-year apprenticeship and equip you for entry-level positions in the heavy equipment industry.

Pre-Employment Motorcycle Mechanic

Credential: Certificate

Length: 12 weeks

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Winter

Explore your motorcycle passion with entry-level assembly, maintenance, repairs, restoration, engine theory, electrical systems, brakes and wheel maintenance.

Accelerate your journey to a thriving career or expert hobbyist.

Pre-Employment Welder

Credential: Certificate

Length: 12 Weeks

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Kickstart your welding career by mastering entry-level welding skills, metal manipulation, equipment repair, fabrication and manufacturing, under the guidance of skilled instructors.



excel in chosen trades.



APPRENTICESHIPS AND INDUSTRY TRAINING

Empower Your Future:

Excel in Apprenticeships and Industry Training

Apprenticeships

Olds College offers classroom instruction only. Apprenticeship students must comply with apprenticeship board requirements to fulfill the specified threshold of working hours.

Agricultural Equipment Technician

Credential: Apprenticeship Length: 4-years (8-week periods) **Delivery Method:** On-campus **Program Intake:** October / January

Work with all the latest agricultural machinery as you learn how to repair and overhaul engines, mechanical and power shift transmissions, tractor hydraulic and electrical systems, tillage machinery and spraying and harvesting equipment

Landscape Horticulturist

Credential: Apprenticeship Length: 4-years (8-week periods) **Delivery Method:** On-campus

Program Intake: September/October/January/February

in landscape design, horticulture, machinery operation, business management and environmental practices.

Heavy Equipment Technician

Credential: Apprenticeship

Length: 4-years (8-week periods)

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: August/October/January/February

Work with both on-and-off road equipment, from heavy transport haulers to excavators – to repair and overhaul engines, mechanical and power shift transmissions, hydraulics and basic electrical systems on the largest and most powerful equipment.

Welder

Credential: Apprenticeship

Length: 3-years (8-week periods)

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: August/October/January/February

Gain hands-on skills and theoretical knowledge to excel in construction, manufacturing and innovation, exploring techniques such as Electric Arc Welding, MIG Welding, TIG Welding and Gas Welding.

OTHER STUDIES

Transitional Employment Program

Length: 11 months

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall

Offered since 1981, the Transitional Employment Program (TEP) is an 11 month program designed for adults with developmental disabilities. This program includes courses such as financial management, workplace communications, transition to the workplace, consumer skills and workplace relations allowing you to gain skills needed to enter and maintain employment. You will receive faculty support to establish goals, monitor progress and evaluate achievement.

Open Studies

Length: Students may study fulltime (9+ credits) or part-time

Delivery Method: On-campus

Program Intake: Fall/Winter

In any course you choose at Olds College, there will be a heavy focus on hands-on learning. If you are looking to explore career areas, add to present training, gain admission requirements to other programs at the College, or to gain employable skills in specific areas, Open Studies is a great fit for you!

Industry Training & Continuing Education

If you are considering continuing education or looking to enhance or change your career, Olds College's continuing education programs are a great place to begin. We offer short courses, distance learning, evening classes and online programs to accommodate your busy lifestyle.





Develop hands-on experience and comprehensive knowledge





ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Program Name			Delivery Method	Work Integrated Learning	Admission Requirements Admission Requirements						
					English	Math	Science	Additional 1	Additional 2	Post-secondary	Alternate Admission*
Agricultural Management	Diploma	2 years	On-Campus	n/a	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	55% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	50% in two: Biology 20, Chemistry 20, Science 20 OR 50% in one of: Biology 30 Chemistry 30 Science 30	n/a	n/a	n/a	Yes
Agriculture Sales & Customer Support Certificate	Certificate	10 months	Online	9-month (850 hour) Internship	n/a	n/a	n/a	16 years of age or older	Alberta High School Diploma or equivalent	n/a	Yes
Bachelor of Applied Science Degree - Agribusiness	Applied Degree	Diploma + Minimum 16 Months	Blended	8-month Directed Field Study	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Minimum 2.5 GPA (75%) in the required credits from a diploma or degree in the study of agriculture, agriculture technology/mechanics, land, environment, or other agriculturally related fields of study	No
Agriculture Technology Integration Post- Diploma Certificate	Certificate	8-month	Blended	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Certified Journeyperson Agricultural Equipment Technician or Heavy Equipment Technician	Minimum 2.5 GPA in the required credits from a diploma or degree in the study of mechanics, agriculture, land, environment, technology, engineering, forestry, or information systems	No
Bachelor of Digital Agriculture Degree	Degree	4 years	On-Campus	4-month (400 hour) Internship	60% in English 30-1	60% in Math 30-1 or 30-2	60% in one of Group A: Biology 30 OR Chemistry 30 OR Physics 30 OR Science 30	60% in one additional of Group A or of Group B (30 level Humanities OR 30 Level Language OR Math 31)	60% in any 5-credit grade 12 course	2.7 GPA (72-76%) in a two year diploma or degree (60 credit) from a related program area.	No
Precision Agriculture - Techgronomy Diploma	Diploma	2 years	Blended	4-month Internship	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	55% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	50% in two of: Biology 20, Chemistry 20, Physics 20, Science 20, OR one of: Biology 30, Chemistry 30, Physics 30, Science 30	n/a	n/a	n/a	No
Veterinary Technology	Diploma	16-months	Blended	6-week Practicum	65% in English 30-1 or 30-2	65% in Math 30-1 or 30-2	65% in Biology 30 AND 65% in Chemistry 30	Complete 40 hours of job shadowing and/or employment	n/a	Meet the minimum admission requirements in the four academic requirements for the Veterinary Technology Diploma program; AND successfully complete the Veterinary Medical Receptionist Certificate program with a 3.5 GPA or higher.	Yes
Veterinary Medical Receptionist	Certificate		On-Campus OR Online	3-week Practicum	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or Math 20-2	50% in one of: Biology 20, Chemistry 20, Science 20	n/a	n/a	n/a	Yes
Veterinary Technical Assistant	Certificate		On-Campus	n/a	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or Math 20-2	50% in one of: Biology 20, Chemistry 20, Science 20	n/a	n/a	n/a	No
Business Management Certificate	Certificate	1 year	On-Campus	n/a	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Yes
Business Management - General Management Maior	Certificate	1 year	On-Campus	n/a	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Yes
Business Management - Sports Management Major	Diploma	2 years	On-Campus	n/a	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Yes
Equine Massage Therapy Certificate	Certificate	1 year	On-Campus	45 hour - Field Placement	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	50% in one of: Biology 20, Chemistry 20, Science 20	n/a	n/a	n/a	No
Equine Care & Management Certificate	Certificate	1 year	On-Campus	200 hour - Field Placement	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	50% in one of: Biology 20, Chemistry 20, Science 20	n/a	n/a	n/a	No
Equine Reproduction Technician	Certificate	1 year	Blended	n/a	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	50% in Biology 30	120 hours of paid and/or volunteer job shadowing and/or employment in an equine related business	Verification Form	Completion of the Olds College Animal Health Technology diploma or equivalent.	No
Farrier Science	Certificate	1 year	On-Campus	n/a	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	50% in one of: Biology 20, Chemistry 20, Science 20	50 hours of industry experience	Applicant Questionnaire	n/a	Yes
Arboriculture Technician	Certificate	4-months	On-Campus	n/a	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	50% in two of: Biology 20,Chemistry 20,Science 20 OR 50% in one of: Biology 30, Chemistry 30, Science 30	n/a	n/a	n/a	Yes

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Program Name	Credential Type	Length of Program	Delivery Method	Integrated Learning	English	Math	Science	Additional 1	Additional 2	Post-secondary	Alternate Admission*	
Bachelor of Applied Science - Golf Course Management Degree	Applied Degree	Diploma + 2 years	Blended	8-month Directed Field Study	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Certified Journeyperson Landscape Horticulturist with a Red Seal	2.5 GPA in the 60 credits from the Olds College Turfgrass Management Diploma, or an equivalent program, or a degree in a closely related area.	No	
Bachelor of Applied Science - Horticulture Degree	Applied Degree	Diploma + 2 years	Blended	8-month Directed Field Study	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Certified Journeyperson Landscape Horticulturist with a Red Seal	2.5 GPA in the 60 credits from the Olds College Horticulture Technologist Diploma, or an equivalent program, or a degree in a closely related area.	No	
Horticulture Technologist	Diploma	2 years	On-Campus	A 1-month and a 2-month Field School placement	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	50% in two of: Biology 20, Chemistry 20, Science 20 OR 50% in one of: Biology 30, Chemistry 30, Science 30	n/a	n/a	n/a	Yes	
Turfgrass Management Diploma	Diploma	2 years	On-Campus	6-month Field School and 6-month Internship	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	50% in two of: Biology 20, Chemistry 20, Science 20 OR 50% in one of: Biology 30, Chemistry 30, Science 30	n/a	n/a	n/a	Yes	
Environmental Science and Technology	Diploma	2 years	On-Campus	n/a	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	50% in Chemistry 20	50% in Biology 20 OR Science 30	n/a	n/a	Yes	
Craft Beverage and Brewery Operations	Diploma	2 years	On-Campus	n/a	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 30-1 or 30-2	50% in one of: Biology 20, Chemistry 20, Science 20	18 years of age or older by program start date	n/a	n/a	No	
Hospitality & Tourism Management Diploma	Diploma	2 years	On-Campus	Two 600 hour Internships	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Yes	
Hospitality & Tourism Certificate	Certificate	1 years	On-Campus	600 hour Internship	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Yes	
Hospitality & Tourism Management Post- Diploma Certificate	Certificate	1 year	Blended	600 hour Internship	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Minimum 2.5 GPA from a diploma or degree in a related field	No	
Meat Processing	Certificate	15-weeks	On-Campus	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	18 years of age of older and in good physical condition	n/a	n/a	No	
Agricultural and Heavy Equipment Certificate	Certificate	1 year	On-Campus	n/a	50% in English 30-1 or 30-2	50% in Math 20-1 or 20-2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	
Agricultural and Heavy Equipment Diploma	Diploma	Certificate + 1 year	On-Campus	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2.0 GPA in the Olds College Agricultural & Heavy Equipment Certificate program or its equivalent.	No	
Heavy Equipment Operator Certificate	Certificate	12 weeks	On-Campus	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	High School Diploma, Class 5 Driver's License, 18 years of age or older by program start date	Personal Profile	n/a	Yes	
Agricultural Equipment Technician Apprenticeship	Apprenticeship	8 weeks per Period (4 Periods)	On-Campus	Apprenticeship								
Heavy Equipment Technician Apprenticeship	Apprenticeship	8 weeks per Period (4 Periods)	On-Campus	Apprenticeship	sit MyTradesecrets (MTS) online service.							
Landscape Horticulturist Apprenticeship	Apprenticeship	Periods)	On-Campus	Apprenticeship								
Welder Apprenticeship	Apprenticeship	8 weeks per Period (3 Periods)	On-Campus	Apprenticeship								
Pre-Employment Heavy Equipment Technician	Certificate	12-weeks	On-Campus	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Completion of Grade 11	n/a	n/a	Yes	
Pre-Employment Motorcycle Mechanic	Certificate	12-weeks	On-Campus	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Completion of Grade 11	n/a	n/a	Yes	
Pre-Employment Welder	Certificate	12-weeks	On-Campus	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Completion of Grade 10	16 years of age or older upon completion of the program.	n/a	Yes	
Post-Diploma Certificate	Certificate	1 year	On-Campus		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	GPA of 2.5 in a previous diploma or degree	No	
Transitional Employment Program	Certificate	11 months	On-Campus	Two Work Experience placements and a final independent Work Practicum	n/a	n/a	n/a	Admission based on interview upon submission of required documentation	18 years of age or older by program start date	n/a	No	
Open Studies	Certificate	Varies	On-Campus		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No No	

 $^{^{\}star}$ for more details please refer to the program webpage

APPLICATION GUIDE

Taking the Next Step

Embarking on your academic journey at Olds College is an exciting step, and we're here to make the application process as seamless as possible. Our dedicated Admissions Officers are available to provide assistance and support with any question you may have along the way.

Take the next step towards an exciting future at Olds College! Apply now and take the next step towards your future success!

To apply, follow these easy steps:

- Start by selecting a program and carefully reviewing the
- Visit oldscollege.ca/apply to complete the application and pay the required application fee.
- If you attended high school or post-secondary education outside of Alberta, send us your most recent academic
- After being admitted, make sure to submit your tuition deposit by
- Don't forget to apply for on-campus housing.

Alternate Admission Option

Applicants who have not or will not fulfill an academic admission requirement may be eligible for Alternate Admission status.

To qualify, please submit the required documents, which include transcripts. a letter of introduction and intent. as well as a resume of your work history. Additionally, you have the option to include copies of tickets or certificates, along with letters of reference.

*Alternate Admission may not be applicable for all programs.

*The submission of Alternate Admission material does not guarantee admission.

*Apprentices must apply through Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Board (AIT).

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Have questions along the way? We're here to help!

TUITION, FEES & SCHOLARSHIPS

Funding Your Success

Student Funding Options

- Government student loans for full-time and part-time students
- Government grants for full-time and part-time students
- Employment Insurance for Registered Alberta Apprentices
- Alberta Foundational Learning Assistance for Transitional Employment (TEP)
- Registered Education Savings Plans (RESP)
- RRSPs (Lifelong Learning Plan)
- Third-party sponsorship
- Employment while in school

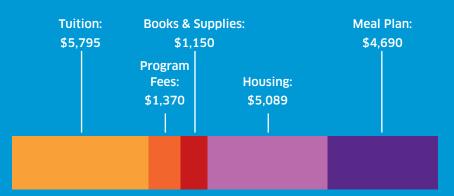
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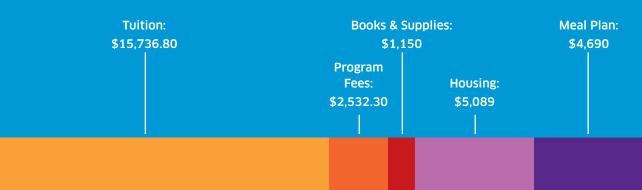
Estimated Cost For Your First Year*

Domestic

our Horticulture Technologist Diploma program for the first two semesters.



International





VISIT US

Campus Visits



Experience the programs before applying!

When you visit our campus, you'll get the chance to explore our incredible facilities firsthand, have engaging conversations with current students and even meet some of your future instructors!

Come and experience it all for yourself - we can't wait to welcome you!

Campus Tours

campus tours.

To register for a campus tour, scan the QR code above and complete the form. Someone will reach out to you within two business days to finalize the arrangements. Please note that pre-booking is required for all

Urtual Campus Tours



Experience campus life from the comfort of home with our virtual tour! See your future unfold as you explore our campus and discover all that we have to offer.

Prospective Student Webinar Dates:

Jan 15 Hospitality, Brew, Business

Agriculture Technology

Jan 22

Jan 29 Agriculture Feb 5 Horticulture and Environment

Feb 12 How to Apply Feb 19 Transitional Employment Program Feb 26 Animal Health and Equine Mar 5
Trades and Meat

Oct 4 & 5, 2024 Open House

Explore a world of possibilities in agriculture, environment, technology, animal health, business and more! This event is designed to help you find your path to success with hands-on experiences and in-person sessions. Students, parents, teachers and Alumni are all welcome to this annual event, showcasing all that Olds College has to offer.

May 14, 2025 Discovery Day

High school students are invited to join us on campus to explore our high-tech programs. Take guided tours, attend engaging demos and gain valuable insights into the application process and campus life.



OUR PROGRAMS

AGRICULTURE

- Agricultural Management Diploma
- Post-Diploma Certificate in Business - Agricultural Business
- Bachelor of Applied Science - Agribusiness

AGRICULTURE TECHNOLOGY

- Post-Diploma Certificate in Agriculture Technology Integration
- Bachelor of Digital Agriculture Degree
- Precision Agriculture -Techgronomy Diploma

ANIMAL HEALTH

- Veterinary Technology Diploma
- Veterinary Medical Receptionist Certificate
- Veterinary Technical Assistant Certificate

BUSINESS

- Business Management Certificate
- Business Management Diploma
- Sports Management Diploma
- Post-Diploma Certificate in Business - Project Management
- Post-Diploma Certificate in Business - Supply Chain Management

EQUINE

- Equine Care and Management Certificate
- Equine Massage Therapy Certificate
- Equine Reproduction Technician Certificate
- Farrier Science Certificate

HORTICULTURE

- Arboriculture Technician Certificate
- Horticulture Technologist Diploma
- Post-Diploma Certificate in Horticulture
- Turfgrass Management Diploma
- Bachelor of Applied Science -Horticulture
- Bachelor of Applied ScienceGolf Course Management

LAND AND ENVIRONMENT

- Environmental Science and Technology Diploma
- Post-Diploma Certificate in Environment

TOURISM, MEAT, BREW

- Hospitality and Tourism Certificate
- Hospitality and Tourism Management Diploma
- Post Diploma Certificate in Hospitality and Tourism Management
- Meat Processing Certificate
- Craft Beverage and Brewery Operations Diploma

TRADES

- Agricultural and Heavy Equipment Certificate
- Agricultural and Heavy Equipment Diploma
- Heavy Equipment Operator
- Pre-Employment Heavy Equipment Technician
- Pre-Employment Motorcycle Mechanic
- Pre-Employment Welder

APPRENTICESHIPS AND INDUSTRY TRAINING

- Agricultural Equipment Technician
- Heavy Equipment Technician
- Landscape Horticulturist Apprenticeship
- CNH Technician Training
- John Deere Technician Training
- Welder Apprenticeship

OTHER STUDIES

- Transitional Employment
- Open Studies
- Continuing Education



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