

Getting Off to the Right Start – Session Summary:

- **Registration Process:** Jayde and Dana discussed the registration process, including the start date, how to register, and the importance of securing housing before registering for classes.
  - **Registration Start Date:** Registration opens on April 3rd at 10:00 AM. Students can register anytime until May 9th. An email with registration information and links has been sent to students.
  - **How to Register:** Students will register for classes using [self-service](#). They need their student number and PIN, which is their date of birth in DDMMYY format for first-time logins. Detailed instructions were sent via email.
  - **Housing Attestation:** Students must secure housing before registering for classes. Options include Canadore residence, off-campus housing, and the Canadore home share program. If housing is not secured, contact [housing.support@canadorecollege.ca](mailto:housing.support@canadorecollege.ca) for assistance.
    - [Apply to Canadore Residence](#)
    - [Places4Students](#)
  - **Tuition Payment:** Students need to pay for the current semester to register for courses. Payment can be made online at the [Student Payment Center](#). Full payment was due by March 21st to allow registration on April 3rd.
- **Class Schedule:** Jillian and Dana explained how students will receive their class schedules, the difference between online and in-person classes, and the requirements for hybrid programs.
  - **Receiving Class Schedule:** Once registered for classes, students can access their schedule via self-service. Schedules are mostly chosen for students, but they can typically choose their electives.
  - **Online vs In-Person Classes:** In-person classes will have a classroom number listed on the schedule. If the class is online, it will be indicated accordingly.
  - **Hybrid Programs:** Hybrid programs require at least 60-70% of classes to be delivered on-site. Students must be in North Bay or Parry Sound to attend hybrid programs.

- **Changing Program:** To change a program before classes start, students must withdraw their acceptance and reapply with a \$150 application fee. This is not recommended due to seat availability and no guarantee of a spot.
- **CAN 100 Course:** Jayde and Marianne introduced the CAN 100 course, its purpose, and how students can access it through the learning management system.
  - **Course Purpose:** CAN 100 is designed to assist and support students throughout their first semester at Canadore. It provides information on services, supports, academic integrity, course documentation, program progression, and transfer credits.
  - **Course Access:** CAN 100 is available in the learning management system, [iLearn](#). Students gain access after completing online registration. The course is available starting April 7th.
  - **Completion Requirement:** Students must complete CAN 100. It is recommended to start early, as the course is available before other courses begin.
  - **Second Program Students:** Students who have already completed CAN 100 with a satisfactory grade do not need to take it again. They can contact the Admissions office to drop the course from their schedule.
- **Financial Aid:** Jillian and Andrea discussed the financial aid options available to Canadore students, including bursaries, scholarships, and work-study programs.
  - **Financial Aid Options:** Bursaries and scholarships are available to all students. Bursaries open on October 1st and scholarships on November 1st. Students must write a short blurb on how they meet the criteria for each bursary or scholarship.
  - **Work-Study Program:** The work-study program offers jobs on campus for returning students with a GPA of 2.0 or higher.
  - **Budgeting Tips:** Andrea provided tips for budgeting money, including listing income and expenses, meal planning, buying no-name products, and purchasing items in bulk.
- **Credit Transfers:** Jillian and Jonathan explained the credit transfer process, including costs, application submission, and required documentation.
  - **Credit Transfer Cost:** Credit transfer costs \$25 for a single application and \$50 for two or more applications per semester. Fees reset each semester.

- **Application Submission:** Applications can be submitted at any time except mid-June to mid-August. Supporting documentation includes an official transcript and course outline. Transcripts must come directly from the prior institution.
- **Tuition Refund:** No tuition refund is issued for credit transfers unless the student's enrollment status changes from full-time to part-time.
- **Visa and Study Permit:** Jillian and Sylvie provided information on uploading visa and study permit documents, handling visa delays, and the importance of having a study permit before registering for classes.
  - **Uploading Documents:** Students must upload their visa and study permit documents to their application. Instructions were provided on how to upload these documents and resubmit the application.
  - **Visa Delays:** If there are visa delays, students should contact international admissions. The deferral deadline is April 25th. Students should wait until closer to the deadline to defer.
  - **Study Permit Requirement:** Students must have their study permit before registering for classes. Registration cannot be done from the home country.
  - **Permanent Residency:** If an international student gets permanent residency before the 10th day of class, they can request to change their status to a domestic student.
- **Traveling to Canada:** Jayde and Paul discussed the I cent app, handling problems during travel, transportation options from the airport, and obtaining a social insurance number.
  - **iCent App:** I Cent is a phone application that provides resources and help for international students. It includes modules for arrival info, orientation, health insurance, and booking appointments with an ISA.
  - **Travel Problems:** Students should understand the core of any travel problems and check transit requirements. Carry all documents in carry-on baggage for easy access during immigration checks.
  - **Transportation Options:** There are different transportation options from Toronto to North Bay, including [Ontario Northland](#) bus and [Northern Airport Services](#). Reservations should be made in advance.

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- **Social Insurance Number:** Service Canada issues social insurance numbers. Students need a notation on their study permit allowing on-campus and off-campus jobs to obtain a SIN.
- **Final Reminders:** Jayde and Jillian shared final reminders about upcoming sessions, the iCent app, and registering for academic accommodations.