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Hudson College Upper School (Grade 9–12)

# No one is exactly like you. You're unique.

# Everyone has **their own** stories, ideas, interests, family background, challenges, and ambitions.

At Hudson College, we encourage you to express who you are and explore what you like to do. You'll find the right course of study and interests just for you—from the arts and sciences to technology and athletics.

### At Hudson, you can:

- Be intellectually curious,
- Be open to new possibilities, and
- Be confident that your goals are truly your own.

# We respect everyone's **individuality**.

And you are **an individual.** 

And so are your classmates. (And believe it or not, so are your teachers!)

# You are you.

And that's exactly what Hudson values and celebrates: your unique vision, your viewpoints and ideas, your unique story.

# Are you ready to find your path?

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We offer an enriched approach to the Ontario Secondary School Diploma. Here are some reasons that Hudson is an exceptional place to learn:

# **Balanced Curriculum, Balanced Learning**

What subjects should you study? Which clubs or activities should you join? Hudson offers a wide range of Upper School courses 78 to be exact. Our individualized, academic environment was designed especially to help each student explore all possibilities, passions, and newfound talents, plus ensure a well-rounded education—inside and outside the classroom.

# Flexible, Three-Semester System

Most schools have two semesters or run their courses throughout the year. Hudson has a unique, three-semester system, which offers you a more flexible academic schedule. You can concentrate on fewer courses at a time—which means you'll be less stressed and more focused.

# **Study Period Program**

As part of our three-semester system, you will get a 90-minute study period every day (during the Fall and Winter semesters). The Study Period creates space in your schedule so you can work on homework, study for tests, or seek help from teachers. It also gives you more time to dedicate to after-school extracurricular activities.

# **3-Semester System**



# **Hudson Courses**



total courses offered

optional courses

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More than 16 different nationalities and 30 cultures are represented across Hudson's student body—students come from many different cultural, religious, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

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# **True Diversity**

From your first day of school, you'll immediately find that Hudson is an **inclusive, safe, vibrant,** and **welcoming place.** We believe that when we all stand together, we're balanced and united. Our diverse environment encourages everyone to be themselves, which helps everyone respect the uniqueness of others.

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# **Extra Support**

**Need help studying** for your biology quiz? Have questions or want to talk about life in general? Hudson offers support networks and programs for everyone—from lunch-time or after-school tutoring to **workshops**, **daily guided study** (for Grade 9 and 10), one-on-one guidance counselling, and teacher advisory, which helps you build connections with your teachers beyond academics.

# **Caring** Teachers

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Hudson's teachers are **more than just teachers.** They're mentors, coaches, and leaders—some of the best in their fields of study—and they're always there to support you in all aspects of your school life.

"Hudson has taught me so much, not only academically, but also about myself and my capabilities as an individual—as a productive member of society. Not only did I learn about who I am, I was able to connect with other individuals to form deeper connections. At Hudson, I learned to believe in myself, that I am capable of so much more than I ever could have imagined."

-Alena, Class of 2016, International Studies, York University





# been breed Skills you need to succeed

Whether you want to be an astrophysicist, actor, or app developer, you'll have to acquire in-demand skills. Most importantly, you'll need key skills to navigate, well, life! Hudson's skills-based academic program was carefully designed for you to learn many types of vital skills, across all subject areas. Throughout your four years here, you'll not only learn important academic skills such as how to conduct qualitative and quantitative research, but crucial life skills such as how to resolve conflicts fairly, give a presentation, be an effective listener, manage your time, and be a responsible leader.

All students receive a laptop in Grade 9 to efficiently manage time and assignments, take notes, and have all the required software needed to do schoolwork. You'll also have access to MyBlueprint, an online portal to help you select courses, set goals, financially plan, write resumes and cover letters, and build a strong portfolio of your work. We also have peer mentors and tutors so you can successfully transition into high school.



# D C innovative

# Unleash your imagination... create and inver

We live in the **digital age**, so at Hudson, we believe in **innovation and collaboration**.

Hudson students have access to **3D printers, virtual reality headsets** and **MacBook Pros** with professional software training in Google Workspace Adobe Creative suite and more. With this high-tech gear and the latest software, you can unleash your imagination and participate in innovative learning activities across all subject areas—from visual arts to physics, to name a few!

Bring your ideas to life by manufacturing and assembling your own, personally designed products using 3D, VR, robotics, electronics, and multimedia. Our 3D Design & Printing Club offers software training at the university and industry level.

If you're interested in engineering, architecture, graphic design and other tech-forward fields, you'll find plenty of hands-on projects to inspire a future career!



# **VR STATION**

Use VR for everything from examining complex calculus problems to creating 3D paintings and sculptures for your own AGO exhibition.





## TINKERCAD PROGRAM

Design 3D objects like animal skeletons for Biology, atoms and molecules for Chemistry, or prototypes for your own projects!



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# COMPUTER SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Understand the interface of communicat between software and hardware using Arduino and Raspberry Pi, and practice programming languages with Eclipse's Integrated Development Environment for Java.



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A learning environment like no other! The Zone **was designed by Hudson students** and enables you to collaborate in real-time with your teachers and classmates.

Connect to any device wirelessly and share work on an awesome, **nine-panel video wall**—similar to those used in industrial environs and **university classrooms**.

Whatever you want to innovate or create—**the possibilities are endless at Hudson!** 

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"The teachers at Hudson have always been resourceful and helpful. With smaller and more individualized classes, teachers can push you to help you become the best student you can be. From extra help after school hours to running extracurriculars, they are always willing to help. As high school is such a defining moment of our lives preparing us for our future ahead of us—it is no small task for them to help us through this. But they did so excellently."

-Graydon, Class of 2018, Life Sciences, University of Toronto





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# Explore your of creativity!

At Hudson, we believe that **everyone** can be creative and inventive—whether you're an illustrator or filmmaker expressing yourself in **digital or traditional mediums**, or you're a STEM student exploring technique and process.

Our hands-on **Fine Arts Program** will inspire you to cultivate your creative side. Explore new ideas, collaborate with your classmates and guest artists, and **challenge the norm**.

We offer painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, Photoshop, filmmaking, music composition, performance, student-run workshops, Artist-in-Residence events, and opportunities **to show your own work at local art galleries**. We've even had students' films **accepted into TIFF Jump Cuts!** 

Create your next masterpiece at Hudson!



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# Hypothesize. Dissect. Experiment. **Analyze.**

Hudson offers more than just amazing, innovative arts programs. STEM-bound students have access to **cutting-edge technology** and plenty of opportunities to learn advanced concepts **beyond the Ontario curriculum**. Each year, almost half of our graduates enter STEM programs at university – from Life Sciences, Kinesiology and Mathematics to Nanotechnology Engineering and Computer Science!

Students dissect a pancreas and a brain for a Science Club project.

Our Grade 12 Chemistry class gains a deeper understanding of quantum atom models, orbital hybridization, and chemic bonding by designing and 3D printing models of various atoms and molecules. Science Club students perfect their suture technique.



Procedure

Hudson's Science Fair winners compete to represent the city at the Toronto Science Fair.





# You are the future. School leaders today can become world leaders tomorrow.

More than ever, the world needs responsible, actively engaged citizens and humanitarians to lead. Hudson is committed to **developing future leaders** who embody resilience and perseverance, are imaginative, have empathy, and collaborate with others to overcome challenges.

You'll have **many opportunities to lead** at Hudson! You can motivate your House as a House Council member; initiate school-wide events with the Student Council; bring school awareness to important social issues with the Justice League; represent the school to the greater community as a Hudson Ambassador or Social Media Ambassador; **and more!** 

# Leadership opportunities to make Hudson and your community a better place!

# House System

The Rockies, The Prairies, The Great Lakes, and The Maritimes. They're not sports teams—they're names of Houses at Hudson! Within each House, students elect House Council members who help build House spirit and lead efforts in annual, school-wide initiatives such as food drives, fundraisers, intramural sports, competitive school events, and extracurriculars.

### Mentorship Program

Our Mentorship Program pairs current students with new students as mentors and mentees. Mentors **support and guide new students** during their first year at Hudson. They offer advice, help with classes, and provide a better understanding of the Hudson culture.

### **Student Council**

Student Council spreads school spirit by organizing school dances, spirit weeks, festival days, cultural celebrations, and more. Student Council Members also plan community awareness such as the 30-hour Famine and the Terry Fox barbecue.

### **Justice League**

If you're interested in activism and social justice, join the Justice League! Each month, they have a new initiative that focuses on an important social issue and they organize fundraising events and awareness campaigns. Some of the Justice League's monthly initiatives have been Truth and Reconciliation Month, Black History Month, Asian Heritage Month, and Pride Month.

### **Hudson Ambassadors**

Hudson Ambassadors represent Hudson to the "outside" world. They meet prospective families at Open Houses, lead tours of the school, and can earn community service hours. If you're a natural presenter and proud of being a Hudson Husky, be a Hudson Ambassador!

## **Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Program**

At the start of Grade 9, all students are enrolled in this program, which offers a supportive, non-competitive platform to help build confidence and further personal development. Guest speakers come to Hudson to motivate and educate you about how to best effect change in your community—locally and globally.

### Legacy Project

In Grade 9, you'll participate in an ongoing, school-wide Legacy Project that helps make Hudson a better place for all. At the end of the year, you'll have learned about your personal strengths and ability to succeed as a leader!

# **Opportunities for personal leadership growth**



LEADERSHIP LESSONS & WORKSHOPS



a more confident leader.

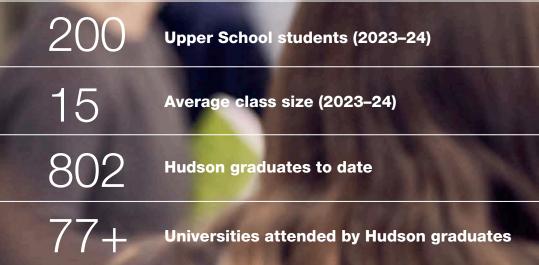


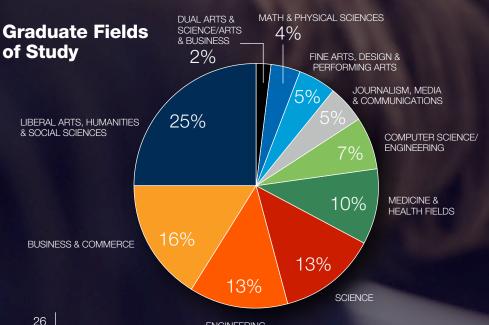
# LEARN HOW YOU LEARN

At the beginning of the year, you'll take a survey so you can identify your personal learning style. When you "learn how you learn", you can break bad habits and cultivate new ones to be a better student, and as a result

# MENTAL HEALTH & PERSONAL WELLNESS

# Oe successful Hudson by the numbers





## **Most-attended Universities** (2020-24)

University of Toronto	(15%)
McMaster University	(12%)
University of Waterloo	(9%)
Toronto Metropolitan University	(8%)
Western University	(7%)
York University	(7%)

# **Recent Programs Chosen by Hudson Graduates**

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Automotive Engineering at McMaster University Criminology at University of Ottawa Environmental Science at Dalhousie University Fashion Design and Development at University of Arts London (UK) Film Studies at Concordia University Graphic Design at OCAD University Industrial Engineering at University of Toronto Life Science at Queen's University Nanotechnology Engineering at University of Waterloo Philosophy at Dartmouth College (US) Sport Management at Brock University



Highest value of a recent individual scholarship offered by a Canadian university

# \$56K USD

Highest value of a recent individual scholarship offered by an **American university** 



Learn more about our grads! udsoncollege.ca/grads

At Hudson I learned the path to success is never linear—it's not a magic formula. You still have to work hard, and you'll still have obstacles, but if you love what you do, you will succeed.

—Ece, Class of 2019, Computer Engineering, University of Toronto



# Oe here!

Hudson's 4.5-acre campus features a **modern school building** with spacious air-conditioned classrooms; a large gymnasium; **technology hubs**; and a full-size artificial **turf field**!

# **Typical Day at Hudson**

9:00 – 10:30 AM	Period 1
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Period 2
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 – 2:30 PM	Period 3: Guided Study
2:30 – 4:00 PM	Period 4
4:15 – 5:30 PM	Optional after-school clubs, sports, tutoring

# **After-School Activities**

### Like to play the flute? Basketball?

Dance or sing? Calculate math problems competitively? Debate people? Pick a club, sport, music or dance activity or leadership camp—Hudson has an activity for everyone. And if you love to travel, we take annual trips around Canada and abroad!









# Picture yourself at Hudson

25+ Clubs
13+ Sports
2 Out-of-town leadership camps
2 Annual trips in Canada & overseas

# **Sports & Clubs**



# At Hudson, you are truly unique.

We consider the needs and goals of each **individual student** and **support you every step of the way.** 

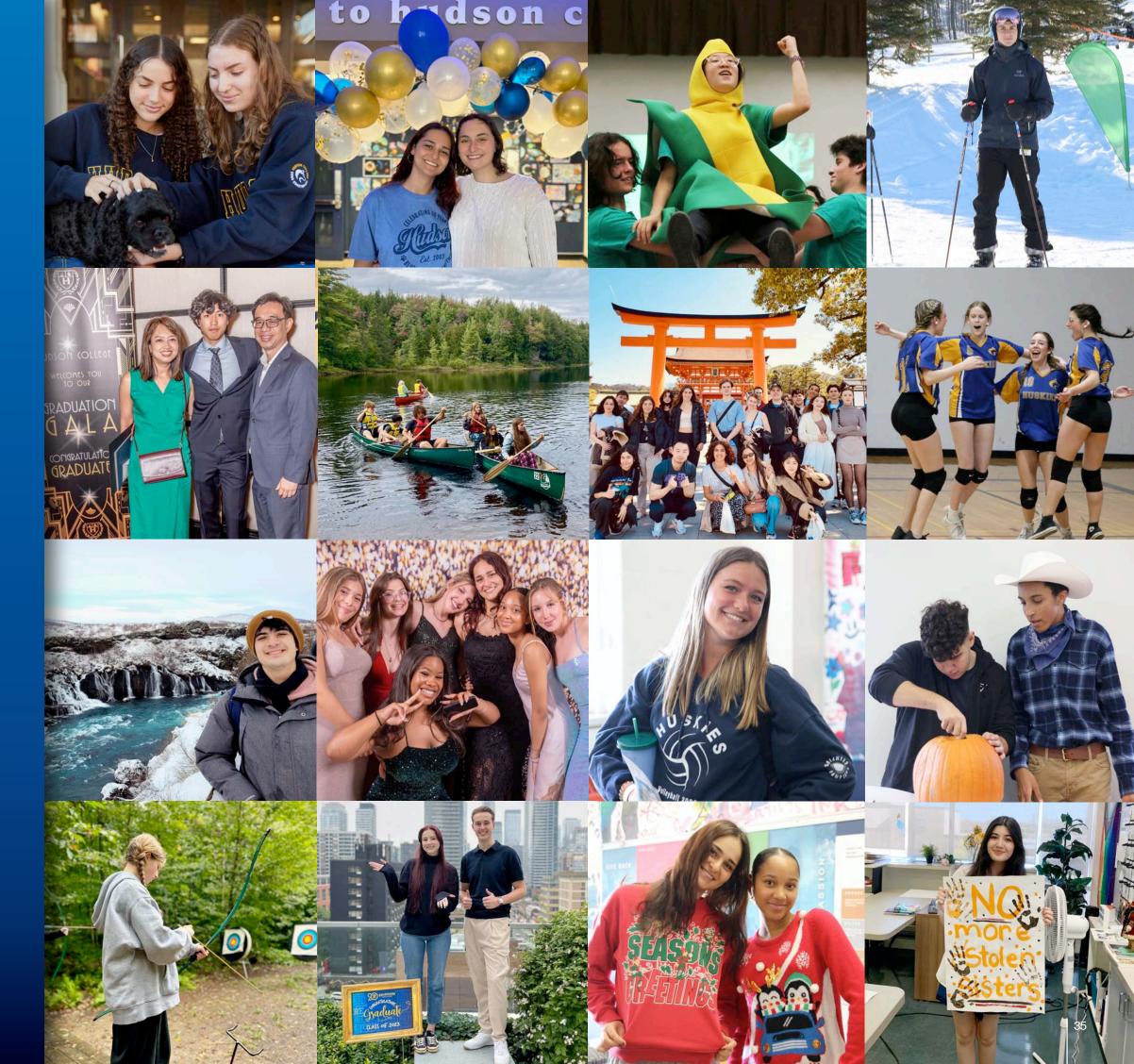
Your Upper School journey and the path you take is very important to us. We want you to be fully prepared and successful at **university** and in **life**.

Being a Husky means being part of an exciting, diverse, nurturing, challenging-yet-rewarding **community**. Your teachers, mentors, and classmates will become **lifelong friends**.

From the day you arrive at Hudson to the day you graduate, we strive to equip you for **personal** and **academic success**. How you choose to better yourself affects our wider community—locally and globally.

Choosing the right school is important, but **choosing the right path is life-changing**.

Ready to be yourself and find your path? Start your application at **hudsoncollege.ca/apply** 







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