

# Olds College Admissions Guide



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**OLDS COLLEGE**

# Admissions Requirements

## Pre-Employment Programs

### Heavy Equipment Technician (Olds)

- 18 years of age or older upon completion of the program. Completion of Grade 11. Please refer to [tradesecrets.alberta.ca](http://tradesecrets.alberta.ca).

### Motorcycle Mechanic (Olds)

- 18 years of age or older upon completion of the program. Completion of Grade 11. Please refer to [tradesecrets.alberta.ca](http://tradesecrets.alberta.ca).

### Welder (Olds)

- 18 years of age or older upon completion of the program. Completion of Grade 10. Please refer to [tradesecrets.alberta.ca](http://tradesecrets.alberta.ca).

## Certificates

### Agricultural and Heavy Equipment (Olds)

- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2 and 50% or better in Math 20-1 or 20-2

### **NEW** Agriculture Technology Integration Post-Diploma (Olds)

- 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; OR Journeyman Agricultural Equipment Technician or Heavy Equipment Technician

### Arboriculture Technician (Olds)

- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2, Math 20-1 or 20-2 and either two of Biology 20, Chemistry 20 or Science 20 OR one of Biology 30, Chemistry 30 or Science 30.

### Business Management (Olds)

- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2 and Math 20-1 or 20-2

### Equine Reproduction Technician (Blended - Online & Olds)

- 2.0 GPA in the Olds College Equine Science or the Animal Health Technology diploma or program equivalent OR
- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2, 50% or better in Biology 30
- 50% or better in Math 20-1 or 20-2 and 120 hours of job shadowing and/or employment (visit [oldscollege.ca/equinereproduction](http://oldscollege.ca/equinereproduction) for details).

# Admissions Requirements

## Certificates *continued*

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### **Farrier Science** (Olds)

- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2, Math 20-1 or 20-2 and one of Biology 20, Chemistry 20 or Science 20
  - Submit an Applicant Questionnaire
  - Important admission information can be found at [oldscollege.ca/programs](http://oldscollege.ca/programs)
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### **Heavy Equipment Operator** (Olds)

- 18 years of age or older
  - Alberta High School Diploma or its equivalent
  - A copy of a valid class 5 Driver's License, recent copy of a Driver's Abstract and a completed commitment contract and personal profile
  - Important admission information can be found at [oldscollege.ca/programs](http://oldscollege.ca/programs)
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### **Meat Processing** (Olds)

- Applicants should be 18 years of age or older and in good physical condition
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### **Post-Diploma Certificate** (Olds)

- GPA of 2.5 in a previous diploma or degree
  - Applicant must develop a proposal in consultation with an advisor in the Office of the Registrar. Students may not receive advance credit/standing based on credits considered as part of the admission requirement.
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### **Transitional Employment Program** (Olds)

- 18 years of age or older.
  - Present the following information: past program and educational reports, previous assessments (if available) and two letters of reference. All suitable applicants are interviewed.
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### **Veterinary Medical Receptionist** (Blended - Online & Olds)

- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2, Math 20-1 or 20-2 and one of Biology 20, Chemistry 20 or Science 20
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### **Veterinary Technical Assistant** (Olds)

- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2, Math 20-1 or 20-2 and one of Biology 20, Chemistry 20 or Science 20
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# Admissions Requirements

## Diplomas

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### **Agricultural and Heavy Equipment** (Olds)

- 2.0 GPA in the 30 credits from the Olds College Agricultural & Heavy Equipment Certificate program or its equivalent
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### **Agricultural Management** (Olds)

- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2,
  - 55% or better in Math 20-1 or 20-2 and
  - 50% or better in either two of Biology 20, Chemistry 20 or Science 20, OR one of Biology 30, Chemistry 30 or Science 30
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### **Animal Health Technology** (Competitive Entry | Olds)

- 65% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2, Math 30-1 or 30-2, Biology 30 and Chemistry 30
  - Complete 40 hours of job shadowing and/or employment and submit a Verification Form to verify the 40 required hours
  - Important admission information can be found at [oldscollege.ca/programs](http://oldscollege.ca/programs)
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### **Brewmaster & Brewery Operations Management** (Olds)

- 18 years of age or older at the program start date. 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2, Math 30-1 or 30-2 and one of Biology 20, Chemistry 20 or Science 20
  - Applicants are required to submit a Portfolio of required information
  - Important admission information can be found at [oldscollege.ca/programs](http://oldscollege.ca/programs)
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### **Business Management - General Management** (Olds)

- 2.0 GPA in the 30 credits from the Olds College Business Management Certificate program or its equivalent
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### **Business Management - Sports Management** (Olds)

- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2 and Math 20-1 or 20-2
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### **Horticulture Technologist** (Olds)

- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2, Math 20-1 or 20-2 and either two of Biology 20, Chemistry 20 or Science 20 OR one of Biology 30, Chemistry 30 or Science 30
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### **Hospitality & Tourism Management** (Olds)

- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2 and Math 20-1 or 20-2
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# Admissions Requirements

## Diplomas *continued*

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### Land and Water Resources (Olds)

- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2, Math 20-1 or 20-2, Chemistry 20 (mandatory) and Biology 20 OR Science 30
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### **NEW** Precision Agriculture – Techronomy (Olds)

- 50% or better in English 30-1 or 30-2
  - 55% or better in Math 20-1 or 20-2
  - 50% or better in either two of Science 20, Biology 20, Chemistry 20, Physics 20, OR one of Science 30, Biology 30, Chemistry 30, Physics 30
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### Turfgrass Management (Olds)

- 50% or better in English Language Arts 30-1 or 30-2, Math 20-1 or 20-2 and either two of Biology 20, Chemistry 20 or Science 20 OR one of Biology 30, Chemistry 30 or Science 30
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## Applied Degrees

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### Bachelor of Applied Science – Agribusiness (Olds)

- 2.5 GPA in the 60 credits from an Olds College diploma, or an equivalent program
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### Bachelor of Applied Science – Golf Course Management (Olds)

- 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
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### Bachelor of Applied Science – Horticulture (Olds)

- 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
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## Open Studies

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### Open Studies (Olds)

- Applicants are encouraged to provide copies of all transcripts
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# Admissions Requirements

## Apprenticeships & Technicians

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### Agricultural Equipment Technician (Olds)

- 16 years of age or older
  - Completion of English 20-2, Math 20-3, Science 10 or Entrance Exam
  - Applications and inquiries must be made to the Regional Office of the Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Board
  - Please visit [tradesecrets.alberta.ca](http://tradesecrets.alberta.ca) to see the Updated Entrance Requirements for Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training. Enrol in technical training through your [mytradesecrets](http://mytradesecrets) account.
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### Heavy Equipment Technician (Olds)

- 16 years of age or older
  - Completion of English 20-2, Math 20-3, Science 10 or Entrance Exam
  - Applications and inquiries must be made to the Regional Office of the Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Board
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### Landscape Horticulturist (Olds)

- 16 years of age or older
  - Completion of English 10-2, Math 10-3, Science 10 or Entrance Exam or a pass mark in all five Canadian General Education Development (GED) tests or Entrance Exam
  - Applications and inquiries must be made to the Regional Office of the Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Board
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### Welder (Olds)

- 16 years of age or older
  - Completion of English 10-2, Math 10-3 or a pass mark in all five Canadian General Education Development (GED) tests or Entrance Exam
  - Applications and inquiries must be made to the Regional Office of the Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training Board
  - Please visit [tradesecrets.alberta.ca](http://tradesecrets.alberta.ca) to see the Updated Entrance Requirements for Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training. Enrol in technical training through your [mytradesecrets](http://mytradesecrets) account.
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### Case New Holland Technician (Olds)

- Students must be employed at a Case IH or New Holland Dealership. Students are first indentured as an Agricultural Equipment Technician or Heavy Equipment Technician apprentice. After consultation with their employer, prospective students may apply for admission.
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### John Deere Technician (Olds)

- Students must be employed at a John Deere Dealership. Students are first indentured as an Agricultural Equipment Technician or Heavy Equipment Technician apprentice. After consultation with their employer, prospective students may apply for admission.
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# General Admission Guidelines

## **Applicants for ALL PROGRAMS must meet the English Language Proficiency Requirement**

### **Alternate Admissions Status**

This applies if you do not meet the Alberta high school requirements of the program to which you are applying, or if you received your high school education through home based learning. Alternate Admission Status students may still be required to meet specific program admission requirements. Alternate Admission Status is not available for all programs.

To apply under this status, you must submit: a transcript(s) showing any completed high school and post-secondary courses; a letter in support of your application outlining aspects of your background and experience that might have prepared you for the program; and a resume of work experience. Documents such as letters of reference from previous educators or employers, and/or a portfolio of related academic/project work may be included with your application.

### **Competitive Entry**

The number of qualified applicants exceeds the number of available seats. Applicants will be ranked based on the admission requirements for the program.

### **First Qualified, First Admitted**

Unless otherwise indicated, admission is first qualified, first admitted. Applicants are admitted in the order in which they have submitted an application and documentation showing they are qualified for the program.



# Ready to Apply?

## Submit your Application

### Important Dates

**October 1:** Applications open for programs that start the following summer and/or fall

**February 1:** Applications open for programs that start the following winter and/or spring

Apply early as programs fill quickly. Conditional admission is available to Grade 12 students and those upgrading. Some programs have different dates so visit our website for more details. Please see specific program pages for dates when applications open in the following programs: Animal Health Technology, Meat Processing and Heavy Equipment Operator.

## How to Apply

- 1. Pick your program**
- 2. Complete an application at [oldscollege.ca/apply](https://oldscollege.ca/apply)**  
*(\$75 + GST application fee, International \$150 + GST)*
- 3. Send us your most recent academic transcripts and any other required admissions documentation**  
*(only if you did not apply online or if your transcripts are from outside Alberta)*
- 4. Once admitted, pay your tuition deposit by the deadline**  
*Admission steps for apprenticeships vary. More information is available at [tradesecrets.alberta.ca](https://tradesecrets.alberta.ca).*

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