



eLearning Consortium Canada

## **Course Book**

# **Data for ELCC School Registration**

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**Appleby College, Balmoral Hall, The Bishop Strachan School, Elmwood School, Havergal College, Hillfield Strathallan College, Northmount School, Ridley College, Royal St. George's College, Selwyn House School, St. Andrew's College, St. Clement's School, Trafalgar Castle School, and Trinity College School.**

### **Information on Online Courses**

As a member of the eLearning Consortium (ELCC), we are pleased to offer online courses for our students. The eLearning Consortium is a unique not-for-profit cooperative that provides online curriculum for students in member schools. Its mission is to offer exemplary online courses that include quality online instruction with a high level of student to teacher and student to student interaction. Student monitoring and support are an essential component of our quality of care. ELCC courses are available to students as approved by the schools' Site Administrator and Student Services.

These online courses run from September to May with a final assessment in June. Course teachers, who are experts in developing and teaching online courses, come from member schools and have taken the 125 hour Ontario College of Teachers Additional Qualification course: *Teaching and Learning with eLearning* through the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT). Our online Site Administrator will communicate regularly with the online teachers and students to support student success, monitor progress, and report student grades. They are your resource if you have any problems with your online course.

### **Student Information**

#### **Why Take an Online Course?**

- You have the opportunity to participate in exciting and creative online courses that may not be offered by your school.
- You can experience online education in preparation for University and the workplace where online education and training are prevalent.
- Online learning provides flexibility of time and place, as course material can be covered at various times during the day and at school or at home.
- You have the opportunity to collaborate with students from other independent schools to develop and expand your critical thinking skills and work in a virtual classroom environment.

- You will experience and use computer technologies, such as online discussions, multimedia, and Web tools such as blogs, wikis and virtual classrooms that enhance learning and develop your intellectual capacities.
- You may find that learning online with technology suits your learning style.

## What Online Courses May I Take?

The following courses are available for selection for the 2016/2017 calendar year. You will notice that they are also described in detail in the Course Description areas throughout the Course Book.

### All Grade Levels

International Languages, Mandarin Level 1, Academic	LKMBDe
Classical Languages, Latin (Introduction)	LVLBDe

### Grade 11

American History	CHA3Ue
Communications Technology	TGJ3Me
Introduction to Anthropology, Psychology and Sociology	HSP3Ue
Financial Accounting Fundamentals	BAF3Me
World Religions	HRT3Me

### Grade 12

Business Leadership	BOH4Me
Canadian and International Law	CLN4Ue
Challenge and Change in Society	HSB4Ue
Classical Civilization	LVV4Ue
Earth and Space Science	SES4Ue
Human Development Throughout the Lifespan /plus AP Psychology Preparation	HHG4Me-AP
International Business Fundamentals	BBB4Me
International Languages, Chinese, Grade 12 (for Native Speakers) plus AP Mandarin Preparation	LKED4Ue-AP
Philosophy: Questions and Theories	HZT4Ue

## What Skills Do I Need to Take an Online Course?

The following are some of the skills that will be helpful in being successful in an online course:

- I enjoy working at the computer.
- I have the time and am interested in taking an online course.
- I have good reading and writing skills.
- I can organize my work and can get my assignments in on time.
- I like working independently and solving problems.
- I enjoy collaborating online with other students.
- I like to take responsibility for my work.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **Who Can Take an Online Course?**

Any student from an eLearning Consortium Canada school who has access to a computer and high speed Internet, either at school or at home, and has been approved by their Site Administrator and Guidance Counselor, can take an online course.

### **Where and when do I take my online course?**

Depending on the course you are taking, you may be timetabled into a classroom or another location in the school, or you may be given a spare and expected to complete your course in your free time during the school day or at home. Be sure to check with your Site Administrator or Guidance Counselor to see where and when the online course you have selected will be offered.

### **Do I get an Ontario Credit for my online course?**

Yes, all the Ontario credit online courses adhere to the Ontario Ministry of Education guidelines, and follow the standard policies for assessment and reporting. Your final evaluation may occur at your school during your regular exam timetable in June.

### **Do the marks for my online course go on my regular report card or to OUAC?**

You will get marks on your report card as you do for your regular courses. Your Site Administrator will work with the online teacher to monitor your progress and to gather marks at regular intervals that are then used for any school documentation such as report cards, OUAC, University letters of reference and so on.

### **How many online courses can I take?**

Most schools recommend that students take only one or two online course per year, unless there are special circumstances. Students must receive permission from the school's Site Administrator and the Guidance department to take an online course.

### **Who do I contact if I have problems with my course or my computer?**

The school has established a Site Administrator to assist students with any problems with a course or the technology. They are in constant contact with the online teacher, the school Guidance Counselors, and the IT Department. You should contact your Site Administrator as soon as possible if you have any problems with the course, the teacher or your computer.

### **Do I need any special software for my computer?**

Most courses will require you to have access to Microsoft Office or similar software. Additional software is usually public domain that you can download onto your computer, and much of your work will be web-based using the Internet. Some specialty courses, such as Communications Technology require access to specialized software. In these cases, the school will provide access at school for this software, or you can purchase it yourself for your laptop or home computer.

## ELCC Online Course Descriptions

*\*Note the lowercase “e” after each course, which indicates that it is an ELCC online course.*

### **American History *Online Course***

**CHA3Ue**

**Grade 11, University/College Preparation**

This course traces the social, economic, and political development of the United States from colonial times to the present. Students will explore the historical context of key developments that shaped the United States, its identity and culture, and its role in the global community. They will extend their ability to apply the concepts of historical thinking and the historical inquiry process, including the interpretation and analysis of evidence, when investigating forces in American history.

**Prerequisite:** Canadian History since World War I, Grade 10, Academic or Applied

### **Business Leadership: Management Fundamentals *Online Course***

**BOH4Me**

**Grade 12, University/College Preparation**

This course focuses on the development of leadership skills used in managing a successful business. Students will analyse the role of a leader in business with a focus on decision-making, management of group dynamics, workplace stress and conflict, motivation of employees, and planning. Effective business communication skills, ethics, and social responsibility will be emphasized throughout the course.

**Recommended Preparation:** Any university, university/college, or college preparation course in Business Studies, English, or Canadian and World Studies

### **Canadian and International Law *Online Course***

**CLN4Ue**

**Grade 12, University Preparation**

This course explores a range of contemporary legal issues and how they are addressed in both Canadian and international law. Students will develop their understanding of the principles of Canadian and international law when exploring rights and freedoms within the context of topics such as religion, security, cyberspace, immigration, crimes against humanity, and environmental protection. Students will apply the concepts of legal thinking and the legal inquiry process when investigating these issues in both Canadian and international contexts, and they will develop legal reasoning skills and an understanding of conflict resolution in the area of international law.

**Prerequisite:** Any University or University/College Preparation course in Canadian and World Studies, English, or Social Sciences and Humanities.

### **Challenge and Change in Society *Online Course***

**HSB4Ue**

**Grade 12, University/College Preparation**

This course focuses on the use of social science theories, perspectives, and methodologies to investigate and explain shifts in knowledge, attitudes, beliefs, and behaviour and their impact on society. Students will critically analyse how and why cultural, social, and behavioural patterns change over time. They will explore the ideas of social theorists and use those ideas to analyse causes of and responses to challenges such as technological change, deviance, and global inequalities. Students will explore ways in which social science research methods can be used to study social change.

**Prerequisite:** Any university or university/college preparation course in social sciences and humanities, English, or Canadian and world studies

**Classical Civilization *Online Course***  
**Grade 12, University Preparation**

**LVV4Ue**

This course introduces students to the rich cultural legacy of the Classical world and encourages them to make connections between antiquity and other societies and to their own personal experiences. Students will investigate such aspects of Classical culture as its mythology and literature, art, architecture, philosophy, science, and technology, as well as elements of the ancient Greek and Latin languages. By reading Classical authors in English translation and examining material culture brought to light through archaeology, students will enhance both their communication skills and their ability to think critically and creatively. In addition, they will be encouraged to be culturally sensitive, independent learners who appreciate the interconnectedness of ancient and modern societies and who will be able to apply this understanding to their future endeavours.

**Prerequisite: English, Grade 10, Academic or Applied**

**Classical Languages - Latin, Level 1, Academic *Online Course***

**This class can be offered at any grade level**

**LVLBDe**

This course introduces students to the achievements of the classical world through the study of Latin. Students will learn vocabulary and grammar essential for reading and translating classical texts. English is the language of instruction. Through a variety of enrichment activities, such as presentations, debates, and dialogues, students will explore such aspects of life in the ancient world as trade, commerce, education, entertainment, and social customs while improving their language skills.

**Prerequisite: None**

**Communications Technology *Online Course***

**Grade 11, University/College Preparation**

**TGJ3Me**

This course examines communications technology from a media perspective. Students will develop knowledge and skills as they design and produce media projects in the areas of live, recorded, and graphic communications. These areas may include TV, video, and movie production; radio and audio production; print and graphic communications; photography; digital imaging; broadcast journalism; and interactive new media. Students will also develop an awareness of related environmental and societal issues and explore college and university programs and career opportunities in the various communications technology fields.

**Prerequisite: None**

**Earth and Space Science *Online Course***

**Grade 12, University/College Preparation**

**SES4Ue**

This course develops students' understanding of the Earth and its place in the universe. Students will investigate the properties of and forces in the universe and solar system and analyse techniques scientists use to generate knowledge about them. Students will examine the Earth's place in the solar system and, after a general introduction to Earth science, will explore in more detail the materials of the Earth, its processes, and its history. Throughout the course, students will learn how these forces, processes, and material affect their daily lives. The course draws on astronomy, biology, chemistry, mathematics, and physics in its consideration of geological processes that can be observed directly or inferred from other evidence.

**Prerequisite: Science, Grade 10, Academic**

**Financial Accounting Fundamentals *Online Course***

**Grade 11, University/College Preparation**

**BAF3Me**

This course introduces students to the fundamental principles and procedures of accounting. Students will develop financial analysis and decision-making skills that will assist them in future studies and/or career opportunities in business. Students will acquire an understanding of accounting for a service and a merchandising business, computerized accounting, financial analysis, and ethics and current issues in accounting.

**Prerequisite: None.**

**Human Development Throughout the LifeSpan / plus AP Psychology Preparation** **HHG4Me**  
**Grade 12, University/College Preparation**

This course offers a multidisciplinary approach to the study of human development throughout the lifespan. Students will learn about a range of theoretical perspectives on human development. They will examine threats to healthy development as well as protective factors that promote resilience. Students will learn about physical, cognitive, and social-emotional development from the prenatal period through old age and will develop their research and inquiry skills by investigating issues related to human development. **Prerequisite: Any University or University/College or College Preparation course in Social Sciences and Humanities, English or Canadian and World Studies**

*\*This full AP course will prepare students to write the AP Psychology exam in May.*

**International Business Fundamentals Online Course** **BBB4Me**  
**Grade 12, University/College Preparation**

This online course provides an overview of the importance of international business and trade in the global economy and explores the factors that influence success in international markets. Students will learn about the techniques and strategies associated with marketing, distribution, and managing international business effectively. This course prepares students for post-secondary programs in business, including international business, marketing, and management.

**Recommended Preparation: Any University, University/College or College Preparation course in Business Studies, English, or Canadian and World Studies.**

**International Languages, Chinese Level 4, University Preparation / AP Mandarin Language & Culture Exam Preparation Online Course** **LKEDUe**

This course prepares students for university study in the international language. Students will enhance their ability to use the language with clarity and precision, and will develop the language skills needed to engage in sustained conversations and discussions, understand and evaluation information, read materials for both study and pleasure, and write clearly and effectively. Students will also have opportunities to add to their knowledge of the culture of countries where the language is spoken through the use of community resources and computer technology

**Prerequisite or co-requisite: International Languages, Level 3 University Preparation or permission of the instructor**

*\*A language placement test is required for admission. The optional AP segments will prepare highly motivated students to write the AP Chinese (Mandarin) Language and Culture exam in May.*

**International Languages, Mandarin Level 1 Academic Online Course** **LKMBDe**  
**Offered at any grade level**

This introductory course is designed to enable students to begin to develop competence in listening, speaking, reading, and writing in the language of study. Students will participate in interactive activities in which they can apply their language skills to communicate with native speakers of the language. They will explore aspects of culture in regions of the world where the language is spoken, including formal and informal forms of address, naming practices, family life and relationships, and celebrations.

**Prerequisite: None**

**Introduction to Anthropology, Psychology, & Sociology Online Course** **HSP3Ue**  
**Grade 11, University Preparation**

This course provides students with opportunities to think critically about theories, questions, and issues related to anthropology, psychology, and sociology. Students will develop an understanding of the approaches and research methods used by social scientists. They will be given opportunities to explore theories from a variety of perspectives, to conduct social science, and to become familiar with current thinking on a range of issues within the three disciplines. **Prerequisite: The Grade 10 academic course in English or the Grade 10 academic history course (Canadian and world studies).**

**Philosophy: Questions and Theories Online Course *Online Course***  
**Grade 12 University Preparation**

**HZT4Ue**

This course enables students to acquire an understanding of the nature of philosophy and philosophical reasoning skills and to develop and apply their knowledge and skills while exploring specialized branches of philosophy (the course will cover at least three of the following branches: metaphysics, ethics, epistemology, philosophy of science, social and political philosophy, aesthetics). Students will develop critical thinking and philosophical reasoning skills as they formulate and evaluate arguments related to a variety of philosophical questions and theories. They will also develop research and inquiry skills related to the study and practice of philosophy.

**Prerequisite: Any university or university/college preparation course in social sciences and humanities, English, or Canadian and world studies.**

**World Religions and Belief Traditions: Perspectives, Issues, and Challenges *Online Course***  
**Grade 11, University/College Preparation**

**HRT3Me**

This course provides students with opportunities to explore various world religions and belief traditions. Students will develop knowledge of the terms and concepts relevant to this area of study, will examine the ways in which religions and belief traditions meet various human needs, and will learn about the relationship between belief and action. They will examine sacred writings and teachings, consider how concepts of time and place influence different religions and belief traditions, and develop research and inquiry skills related to the study of human expressions of belief.

**Prerequisite: None**

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