



Thames Valley
District School Board

**FANSHAWE ST. THOMAS
SCHOOL WITHIN A COLLEGE
(SWAC)**



**FANSHAWE
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**INFORMATION FOR
FALL 2026 TERM (SEMESTER 1)
SEPTEMBER – JANUARY**

School Within a College (SWAC) programs offer senior high school students the opportunity to take OSSD credit courses taught by secondary school teachers and Dual Credit courses taught by college professors/instructors within a collaborative learning community through face-to-face and online instruction.

The St. Thomas SWAC program will be offering the following schedule which allows for an optional Dual Credit course to be taken by a student on Tuesdays:

Fanshawe St. Thomas SWAC Semester 1 Schedule (September - January)

Time	Monday	Tuesday		Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Option A	Option B			
9:00 - 10:00	Leadership and Peer Support (GPP30) & Interdisciplinary Studies (IDC30)	OSSD Guided Study (compulsory or elective)	Dual Credit (9:00 – 1:00)	Practical Photography (PHOT-1062)	Leadership and Peer Support (GPP30) & Interdisciplinary Studies (IDC30)	CO-OP / Dual Credit / Self-Study OSSD
10:00 - 11:00						
11:00 - 12:00	Lunch	Lunch		Lunch	Lunch	
12:00 - 1:00	OSSD Guided Study (compulsory or elective)	OSSD Guided Study (compulsory or elective)	OSSD Guided Study (compulsory or elective)	Art Media Studies (ASM30)	OSSD Guided Study (compulsory or elective)	
1:00 - 2:00						

OSSD compulsory and elective courses available for students to select from:

Grade	Subject	Code	Course
11	Business	BDI3C	Entrepreneurial Studies
11	Canadian and World Studies	CGG3O	Travel and Tourism: A Geographic Perspective
11	Canadian and World Studies	CGF3M	Forces of Nature
11	Canadian and World Studies	CHW3M	World History to the 16th Century
11	Canadian and World Studies	CLU3M	Understanding Canadian Law
11	English	ENG3C	English
11	Health and Physical Education	PPZ3C	Health for Life
11	Math	MBF3C	Foundations of College Mathematics
11	Science	SBI3C	Biology
11	Social Science and Humanities	HSP3C	Introduction to Anthropology, Psychology and Sociology
12	Canadian and World Studies	CGW4C	World Issues: A Geographic Analysis
12	Canadian and World Studies	CGR4M	Environment and Resource Management
12	Canadian and World Studies	CLN4C	Legal Studies
12	English	ENG4C	English
12	English	OLC4O	Literacy
12	Guidance and Career Education	GLN4O	Navigating the Workplace
12	Math	MAP4C	Foundations of College Mathematics
12	Social Science and Humanities	HHS4C	Families in Canada



School Within a College

Multiple Sites, Diverse Programing



All students in the St. Thomas SWAC program will be required to take a Fanshawe College Team Taught course which runs on Wednesdays. This is a collaborative approach to teaching by the college instructor delivering a first-year college course to the students and the SWAC teacher providing the high school elective credit connected to the course through similar curriculum. If students are successful, they will achieve both a high school elective credit and a college credit.

Students can take an additional college course through the Dual Credit program on Tuesdays. This is optional for SWAC students but allows the SWAC student to achieve an additional high school elective credit if successful. Please refer to the Fall 2026 Dual Credit program information package for course options and descriptions.

St. Thomas SWAC students can also access the Continuous Intake Cooperative Education (CO-OP) program to meet additional credit needs. This is a great opportunity for students to achieve elective credits through their part-time or full-time job (if employer allows) while counting hours outside of the SWAC day towards an elective OSSD credit(s).

Finally, students can further individualize the St. Thomas SWAC program on Fridays. This day is set for a student to take a self-study OSSD course, accumulate more CO-OP hours or work remotely from home. Students are still welcome and encouraged to access the campus and/or conference with their SWAC teacher for additional support.

Students being referred for the SWAC program should:

- Be entering their Grade 12 or 12+ year of high school,
- Understand priority will be given to applicants requiring 8-10 credits or less for graduation but students needing 10+ credits should apply,
- Have the academic ability to be successful in College level courses and will be working towards completing ENG4C and,
- Understand transportation for students residing outside of the St. Thomas city boundaries will be contingent on consortium busing.

SWAC Referral Process:

- Students that are enrolled at a secondary school can be referred through the SWAC/Dual Credit online registration system. A SWAC Request form needs to be completed and signed by the home school administration.
- Students that are off roll and not in a high school can contact David Carnevale at (519) 639-6212 and/or D.Carnevale@tvdsb.ca for information regarding application and interview process.

SWAC Interview Process:

- SWAC Coordinator will contact the referred student to discuss the SWAC program and answer any questions the student may have.
- If the candidate is still interested in attending the program, the corresponding SWAC teacher will arrange an interview with the student, either at their home school or at Fanshawe.
- Interviews will start to be scheduled during the first week of June (or earlier) and will occur throughout that month.

SWAC Confirmation Process:

- Home schools will be notified of successful and unsuccessful candidates by the SWAC teacher no later than **Wednesday, June 24**.
- Students who are interviewed will be notified of their acceptance via email/phone by their interviewing SWAC teacher.

For more information regarding the SWAC program please contact:

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