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## 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

### LIFE : A RISKY BUSINESS

*Principal George Vanderkuur*



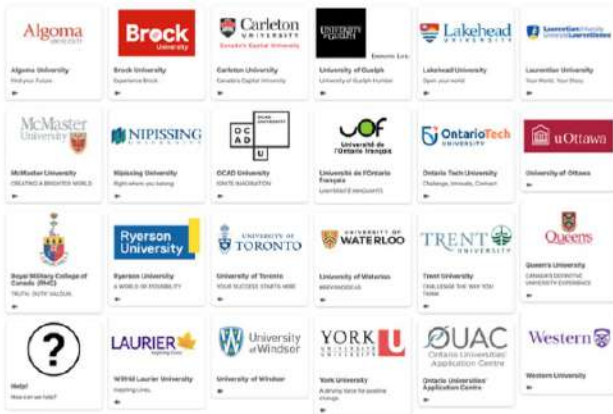
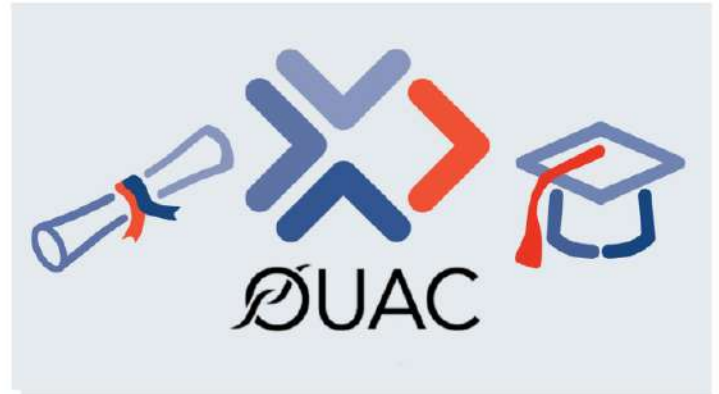
Risk is a part of life, and everything we do has some level of risk involved. However, our perception of risk can often be very different from the reality. For example, many people are afraid of flying, but don't think twice about crossing the street. In reality, being hit by a car while crossing the street is 20,000 times more likely than being in a plane crash. Additionally, being in a car is ten times safer than walking as a pedestrian.

Being aware of the real risks and taking steps to minimize them is important for living a healthy and fulfilling life. This shows that our perception of risk can be misleading and, in some cases, can prevent us from taking normal, everyday risks.

Many young people don't see smoking or not exercising as risky decisions. However, smoking can reduce a person's life span by 10 years, and not getting enough exercise can shorten life by 5 to 7 active years.

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### May 29, 2025

The latest date all applicants who submitted their application by the January application deadline can expect a response from an Ontario university. This includes an offer of admission, a refusal or a deferral, once additional information is received.



### June 2, 2025

The earliest date an applicant may be required to respond to an Ontario university offer of admission and give a financial commitment (e.g., registration deposit, residence deposit).

All other admission-related elements, including scholarships, other forms of student assistance or financial incentives, and offers of residence, are considered part of the offer of admission. Therefore, a student may accept these other offers before June 2, 2025, but Ontario universities will not compel a student in any way to make a decision before this date.



# THE ERINDALE ACADEMY ANNUAL APPRECIATION EVENT



FEBRUARY 25, 2025



## Industry Leaders Unite for AI-Driven Educational Innovation

Experts, professors, and admissions officers from the University of Toronto, McMaster University, Toronto Metropolitan University, and more—along with education consultants, teachers, and parents who have long supported The Erindale Academy—gathered on February 25, 2025, at the Council Chambers, University of Toronto Mississauga, to explore the transformative impact of AI on education.





# FROM INSIDE THE CLASSROOM

## AI AND BUSINESS INNOVATION GRADE 12, IDC4U

Teacher: Mr. Paul Pu

Toronto, February 21, 2025 – Students from The Erindale Academy’s AI and Business Innovation course showcased their startup projects and shared their learning experiences at Encore Lab, University of Toronto. They engaged in in-depth discussions with professors and PhD students specializing in educational innovation, exploring how AI is shaping the future of education and business.



As part of the course, students worked in teams to develop AI-powered business concepts, applying their knowledge to real-world scenarios. Three teams presented their projects:

**Jack & Peter: Space Indifference Game** – A story-driven AI-powered game that blends 3D and 2D gameplay mechanics. The startup aims to build a gaming culture centered on the unknowability of the universe, ensuring an engaging player experience while encouraging a renewed sense of awe toward the cosmos.

**Dandy & Rose: LearnSphere** – An AI-driven educational platform designed to provide personalized learning experiences and real-time academic support for students in Ontario, making education smarter and more efficient.

**Yue Ma & Tom: YUZUSoft Game Engine** – A next-generation AI-powered game engine that enhances game development efficiency through automation and optimization, helping developers create games faster and more intelligently.



### IMPORTANT DATES

- P1 Midterm Report:** April 2, 2025
- Drop Course Deadline:** April 4, 2025
- P2 Report card:** April 30, 2025
- Withdrawal Deadline:** May 1, 2025
- Final Exam:** May 2, 2025
- Final Report (PA Day):** May 5, 2025



### HOLIDAYS

- March Break:** March 10-14, 2025
- Good Friday (School Closed):** April 18, 2025
- Easter Monday:** February 21, 2025

