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Happy New Year!

We would like to start off the new year with a hearty thanks and appreciation to everyone who made 2016 memorable.



And congratulations to our 2016 graduates from our campuses in Kitchener, Guelph, Hamilton, St. Catharines, and Brantford!

Customer Service, Computer Foundations (including Microsoft Word and Excel), and Security Guard, were the most popular programs for students enrolled in 2016. Diplomas and certificates achieved in these fields can help Summit College graduates attain employment in some of the most in-demand jobs today and for the next 4 years.

Indeed, according to a recent 10-year report released by Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC), which outlined the 20 most in-demand jobs in Ontario from now until 2020, here are some of the jobs that are in demand by

companies due to a lack of available employees with the necessary skills to perform in these roles.

At the top of the list are secretaries (71% of jobs unfilled), followed soon after by administrative support roles (40% of jobs unfilled), and then jobs in protective services such as security guards (38% of jobs unfilled).

Wishing everyone a happy and prosperous New Year! And to those students and staff who will be joining us in 2017: you will be greeted warmly — whatever the weather!

Testimonials

"Summit College has been a great experience for me... I would recommend the Computer Foundations program to anyone who wants to improve their computer skills!"

- D. H. (student)

New Year Toast

*Happy New Year!
To families, friends
and colleagues, too.
May this year be
our best yet,
With happiness
the whole year through.
Let's all lift our glasses
In a toast to everyone,
To the old year
now behind us,
And to the new year
just begun!*

Campus Updates



Highlights from our Milton Campus holiday party on December 16 included door and room decorating, delicious potluck lunch, games, and fun!

Here are some items from our menu:

Crockpot lasagna, Jerk chicken, various salads, vegetable platters, BLT deviled eggs, fresh buns, Portuguese pastries, cupcakes, cookies and more!

One student was especially delighted as this was his first ever Christmas party. Being always on the road during the holidays in his previous job in the service industry for over 25 years, he never got the opportunity to relax and enjoy this festive season.



SUMMIT COLLEGE

Academic & Career Studies

SUMMIT COLLEGE is a Canadian-owned accredited career college, registered with the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development, that has been instrumental in helping adults move forward on rewarding career paths since 2001.

Our diploma and certificate programs are relevant to today's high demand jobs and are offered at eight campus locations across southern Ontario. Our students succeed because of our learning-centred model powered by humanist principles that respect every person as a whole. Accordingly, our unique teaching approaches are customized to optimize learning and increase your chances for success in the workplace.

Whether you are interested in Office Administration, Customer Service, Medical Office Administration, Accounting, or Security Guard training, contact us to start your new career today!

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Fuel lifelong success by empowering people with skills and awareness to reach higher personal potential.

On the importance of continuing education...

After spending most of their childhood and even part of adulthood in a classroom, most people can't wait to get as far from school as possible. There's nothing they want to do less than take an online course or pick up a non-fiction book. We're here to change that by pointing out exactly why continuing our education as adults is so important – and even fun.

Keeping The Mind Sharp

If you don't use it, you lose it. Not only does challenging our brains help them to grow and get smarter, it helps combat any deterioration that comes from age and lack of practice. Most things are not like riding a bike and you will start to forget them if you don't utilize them at least sometimes.

You'll also rekindle your imagination and creativity. These things didn't disappear simply because you got older, you just need to add fuel to the fire by regularly exposing yourself to new ideas. Unleash the same curiosity you had as a child and watch how things change before your eyes.

Broadening Horizons

Studying philosophy, mastering a new language, and discovering more about history are just a few of the infinite ways that learning can literally reshape the way you look at the world. We often fear things we don't understand. By reading and taking courses on these subjects, we lose that sense of mistrust and are able to accept new things, ideas, and cultures.

By becoming less dismissive and more open and supportive, we can help make the world a better place one person at a time. It can even lead us to become more involved in our community, local government, and environmental preservation. You'll better understand what you can do to make a difference.

Developing New Skills

Some adults still have a negative idea of learning based on their past. They have flashbacks of thick math textbooks and long science lectures and think that's all there is to developing their mind. But it's so much more than that, whether it's directly advancing your career with valuable skills or picking up a new hobby.



Is there something you've always wanted to do? Maybe you have a secret longing to dance salsa, the desire to learn another language, or dream of becoming a world class cook that family members rave about at every gathering. There's nothing stopping you.

- excerpt from "The Importance of Adult Education" by Nick Tomasovic

Community Giving

In addition to providing quality instruction and career advice to help adult students accomplish their academic and vocational goals, Summit gives back to the community.

Humanitarian efforts, such as charity drives, help families in need. Contact us to make a donation of toys, clothing, or food items.



January 13

Donations for Anselma House

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Vegetarian Chili

Hot & healthy comfort food for those cold winter days



INGREDIENTS

- 2 Tbsp. olive or canola oil
- 1-2 Tbsp. butter (unsalted)
- 1 large sweet onion, diced
- 1 clove fresh garlic, minced
- 1 finely chopped jalapeño pepper
- 2 Tbsp. chili powder (hot or mild)
- ½ to 1 tsp ground cumin (to taste)
- 1 Tbsp. Greek seasoning
- 1 medium carrot, chopped
- 2 red or green bell peppers, chopped
- 28-oz plus 14-oz cans diced tomatoes
- 14 fl. oz can red kidney beans, rinsed
- 14 fl. oz. can black beans, rinsed, rinsed
- ½ cup plain Greek yogurt (for garnish)
- ¼ cup fresh chopped coriander leaves and/or chives (for garnish)

DIRECTIONS

1. Heat oil and butter in large saucepan over medium heat. Add garlic and onions and stir until onions are translucent.
 2. Stir in spices and beans for about two minutes.
 3. Stir in carrots for about two minutes.
 4. Stir in bell peppers and jalapeño pepper for about one minute.
 5. Mix in canned tomatoes and cook for 5 min. over high heat.
 6. Turn down heat to simmer until chili is thickened--about 15 minutes.
 7. When ready to serve, add dollop of Greek yogurt and sprinkle with chopped coriander
- Enjoy!