

FOUR-YEAR OPERATION

Busy Oakville South campus is bursting at the seams

The Oakville South Campus has just entered its fourth year of operation. It opened its doors in March 1970 with a Nurses' Aid class and a Sales Orientation. All students at that time were under Manpower's retraining program.

Since then, various courses have been offered in co-operation with local Canada Manpower Centres to train persons for jobs that are available in the area. Teller-Cashier, Finance Clerk, Protection Services and Security, for example, sent graduates into waiting jobs in Oakville.

At the present time, there are 80 students enrolled in Oakville South programs. Because of the size of the campus (Oakville's old public library) English as a second language course was moved up to the Main Campus, along with its modern language lab.

Academic Upgrading had its beginning in 1971 and started to fill the need for an educational gap that was preventing students entering the regular programs at Sheridan College. Students enter academic upgrading at various levels, depending on their abilities and previous education. They work toward their Grade 10 or Grade 12 equivalency. With the latter they may apply to any community college.

Again, because of the demand for this program, students have outnumbered spaces at the small campus on Lakeshore Road in downtown Oakville. This summer Academic Upgrading will move to the main campus of Sheridan, although registrations and testing will still take place at Oakville South.

The largest program running at Oakville South is the commercial course. Students are sent from Canada Manpower into one of three streams: clerk typist, commercial stenographic or commercial refresher. The demand for these students on the job market is always there, judging from the classified columns of the newspapers.

A majority of women in the commercial class are back at school after many years of raising families. They find it refreshing and stimulating after years of being at home all day, and most of them look forward to working in an office once again.

Sometimes a woman who has worked at another trade has had an illness or injury that prevents her from continuing in her skilled trade. Workmen's Compensation occasionally sends a client to Oakville South to train her as a typist, stenographer or bookkeeper.

With English as a Second Language and Academic Upgrading moved to the main campus, the Commercial class now looks forward to expansion. More typewriters will be added and, as of April 1, Commercial Accountancy will also be offered for students who want more emphasis on accounting than on typing skills. Also, the campus will be able to accept fee-paying students on a full-time or part-time basis.

Night classes

Oakville South is almost as full during the evening as it is during the daytime.

Academic Upgrading is offered three nights in the same three basic subjects: communications, mathematics, and science.

A commercial class offers training in a variety of skills: basic typing, intermediate typing, advanced typing, Forkner or Pitman Shorthand for beginning stenographers and refresher courses for all other types of shorthand. Should a student's shorthand transcriptions show a weakness in English, he or she will get extra tutoring in spelling, punctuation and grammar.

If a student wants to go to medical or legal secretarial work, his or her program will be slanted in that direction. He/she can then take the Legal or Medical Office Practice program at the main campus upon completion of the course at Oakville South.

Plans are now under way to accept commercial students on a monthly basis so they would not have to wait for a new course to begin.

Because of its downtown location and its proximity to the Oakville Transit bus depot, Oakville South is one of the easiest campuses to reach by public transportation. For this reason, its role has become that of a drop-in centre for information to downtown shoppers and passers-by.

In contrast to the students at the main campus who can gaze out a window onto many acres of beautiful scenery, Oakville South students have a westerly view of a gas station and an easterly view of a restaurant, — with corresponding odours at various times!

But few would change this convenient location of their school. And most are learning to live with their over-active parking meter man.



Milton students' classroom moves to the field.

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Style



Here students observe and participate in loading and transportation of heavy equipment.

which leads to a Ministry of Environment licence.

Courses for private pilots - both business and pleasure - are proving popular because of the fast-growing aviation industry.

Air Traffic Control is designed to acquaint pilots and owners of small aircraft with Air Traffic Control procedures.

Private Pilots Ground School prepares beginners for their M.O.T. Ground School examination.

Advanced Ground School concentrates on instruction for flight regulations, plane performance, weather situations, navigation and the physiological and psychological effects of flying.

A course in Personal Law shows how not to run afoul of the law, and what to do if one does! It looks into areas such as capital punishment, sex offences, pollution, consumer protection, automobile speeding, etc.

Because of the response in Mississauga, Sheridan now plans to offer night courses at the Credit Valley School of Nursing on Highway 10. Some of these courses will be similar to those in progress at other campuses - others will be entirely different.

Mississauga welcomes Sheridan

In September 1972, Co-ordinator Bill Brydon discovered some classrooms in Cawthra Park Secondary School were empty during the evening. He immediately got the wheels turning, with the result that Cawthra Park is now humming with Sheridan students every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evening.

Many of the courses offered at Cawthra were completely new to the area, and even to the province.

Home Garden Pest Control takes a look at the new regulations regarding pesticides and how the homeowner can effectively use them.

Home Owner Pool Care shows pool owners how to prepare their pool for the summer and how to close it down for winter - with emphasis on maintenance and repair.

Another course of interest to homeowners is Interior Of Your Home, which delves into designs, patterns and colours in the home.

Theatre II is a workshop designed to help and encourage both the inexperienced and those who have already performed in amateur theatre, with particular focus on the actor.

Music Is More Than Notes is an unusual program for music enthusiasts. To give a touch of reality, students listen to the actual bugle call which signalled the infamous Charge of the Light Brigade, and a recording of Brahms playing one of his own Hungarian dances.

Apart from interest courses, many courses offered at Cawthra Park Secondary School are for those who wanted to pursue new careers or upgrade present jobs.

A program called General Contractors - Field Operation examines the responsibilities of the general contractor in the co-ordinating and scheduling of his own work and that of the sub-trades.

French Shorthand is being offered for bilingual secretaries; Interviewing - for those engaged in personnel work; Herbicides For The Professional