



ADMISSION REGULATIONS

LASALLE COLLEGE STUDENTS

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1. AIM OF REGULATIONS

These regulations apply to the admission of students in all programs leading to a Diploma of College Studies (DCS), to an Attestation of College Studies (ACS) or to a Diploma of Vocational Studies (DVS). Furthermore, this document pertains to the regular college curriculum, to continuing education and to the vocational training curriculum.

2. PREAMBLE

LaSalle College pursues an educational mission in line with making education accessible. Each year, LaSalle College welcomes students who are seeking to obtain a Diploma of College Studies, an Attestation of College Studies or a Diploma of Vocational Studies. In the interest of fairness and information, the following regulations set out the objectives, conditions and rules of application concerning the admission process.

These are based on the Regulations of the General and Vocational Colleges Act (R.Q. c. C-29, r.3.3.01) or on the Education Act (L.R.Q., c. I-13.3, a. 448).

3. GOAL

The aim of the Admission Regulations is to:

- a) Ensure the transparency of the admissions process.
- b) Ensure that candidates are given equal consideration when applying to LaSalle College according to the standards and criteria which apply to the regular college curriculum, to continuing education and to the vocational training curriculum.
- c) Set out the procedural requirements pursuant to articles 2, 3 and 4 of the College Education Regulations (L.R.Q., c. C-29, a.18) and pursuant to articles 12, 13 and 14 of the Education Act (L.R.Q., c. I-13.3, a. 448).

4. DEFINITIONS

4.1. ADMISSIONS' OFFICE (AO)

The administrative body responsible for processing applications for all programs of study.

4.2. CANDIDATE

Any person who submits an application for a program of study leading to a Diploma of College Studies (DCS), to an Attestation of College Studies (ACS), to a Diploma of Vocational Studies (DVS) or to other courses for which credits are attributed.

4.3. APPLICATION

LaSalle College's official application document which has been completed by a candidate and forwarded to the Admissions' Office.

A candidate can submit an application at any time, in person, via regular mail or online.

4.4. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

The following documents must be attached to the application form upon submission:

- a) An application form which has been duly completed and signed;
- b) The candidates' birth certificate or an official copy of the act of birth;
- c) Payment of the application fee;
- d) Student record;
 - i) The most recent academic records;
 - a. If the applicant completed his studies in the province of Québec, his record must be issued by the « *Ministère de l'éducation du loisir et du sport »* (MELS):
 - b. If the applicant studied in another province within Canada, his transcripts must be issued by the Ministry of Education from the province or territory where he attended school:
 - c. If the applicant studied outside of Canada, his record must be issued by an educational institution or by the state;

If the certification is not clearly indicated on the transcript or diploma, the candidate will be required to submit certified copies or the original copies of the transcripts and/or diplomas.

If the accompanying documents are not in English or in French, an official translation in one of these languages must be attached. Only documents translated by a certified translator will be accepted as official translations.

A retention code will be assigned to all incomplete files which will postpone the regular application and registration process, as well as delay access to services.

4.4.1 DETAILS FOR ADMISSION TO A DCS PROGRAM OR AN ACS PROGRAM

Acceptance in a Diploma of College Studies (DCS) program is granted only if the candidate provides all the required documentation before September 20th for the fall semester, by February 15th for the winter semester and, as indicated in the calendar for the summer semester.

Acceptance in an Attestation of College Studies (ACS) program is granted only when a candidate provides all the required documentation prior to the start date listed in the calendar.

4.4.2 DETAILS FOR ADMISSION TO A DVS PROGRAM

Academic transcripts or diplomas which have been issued outside of Canada must be reviewed by the "Ministère d'immigration et des communautés culturelles" (MICC) in order to establish if their educational credentials are equivalent to those required of students in Québec. Candidates who have studied outside of Canada must contact the MICC by telephone at (514) 864-9191 or by email at evaluations.comparatives@micc.gouv.qc.ca. A photocopy of the comparative assessment will be added to the candidate's file. The above noted procedure does not apply to applicants who hold a General Education Diploma (GED).

When applying to the College, the candidate must complete a questionnaire designed to measure his motivation to pursue his studies in his program of choice. The candidate may subsequently be convened to an interview to further assess his candidacy.

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¹ The masculine gender is used throughout this document for the sake of conciseness. It is meant to be inclusive of both genders.

When the number of eligible candidates exceeds the number of available seats for a study program, the College will launch a selection process. Choices are made based upon group composition. Consideration is given to the quality of submitted documents in the candidate's file, the student's motivation for pursuing his studies and academic records.

The College's international mission is at the forefront in deciding the make-up of heterogeneous groups and can predetermine the number of places reserved for the persons in the following categories:

- a) Applicants from high schools in Canada.
- b) Applicants from high schools outside Canada.

Admission to a study program leading to a Diploma of Vocational Studies (DVS) is only granted if the applicant has provided all required documentation before the date specified in the school calendar.

4.5. OFFER OF ADMISSION

Authorization to register in a study program:

LaSalle College reserves the right to terminate a student's registration if said student fails to conform to the procedure and adhere to the conditions of admission prescribed by LaSalle College.

4.6. DEFINITIVE ACCEPTANCE

Upon substantiating that admission rules have been complied with, the College's official acceptance to a study program will be given to the student.

4.7 CONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE

A conditional acceptance is a formal authorization given to a candidate by the College to enroll in a study program even though he has not cumulated the required amount of units as per Article 2.3 of the College Education Regulations (CER) (refer to section 6.1.3).

4.8. ENROLLMENT

Enrollment means the procedures that are followed upon being admitted to a study program. Enrollment includes: An educational service contract signed by the accepted candidate as well as the college representative, and payment of the registration fees.

4.9. STUDENT

A student is a person who has complied with the procedures, has met the admission criteria and who has been admitted definitively or conditionally in a study program at LaSalle College.

5. STUDY PROGRAMS

- a) The Admissions' Coordinator will publicly announce the study programs available for each semester once said programs have been determined by the Academic Dean.
- b) If there is insufficient student enrollment in a program, the College reserves the right to cancel a study program prior to the start date.

6. ADMISSION CONDITIONS FOR A STUDY PROGRAM LEADING TO A DIPLOMA OF COLLEGE STUDIES (DCS)

6.1 GENERAL ADMISSION CONDITIONS FOR A DCS

- 6.1.1 All candidates are eligible to a DCS program if they have completed their high school and received their diploma. To be eligible, a candidate must have completed the following subjects:
 - a) A secondary 5 level in the language of instruction as per the province of Québec's educational curriculum;
 - b) A secondary 5 level in a second language as per the province of Québec's educational curriculum;
 - c) A Mathematics secondary 4 level or a minimum of 4 credits completed in a secondary 4 or 5 level, related to a course which belongs to a mathematics curriculum, approved by the MELS;
 - d) A secondary 4 level in a Science and Technology or Applied Science and Technology program or, the completion of a minimum of 4 units of a secondary 4 or a secondary 5 level in Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Science and Technology or Physical Science which were part of a curriculum approved by Québec's Ministry of Education (MELS).
 - e) A secondary 4 level of a history and citizenship course or, the completion of a minimum of 4 units of a secondary 4 or a secondary 5 level in geography, history, humanities or economics courses which were part of a curriculum approved by Québec's Ministry of Education (MELS).
- 6.1.2 A candidate who received a High School Diploma (SSD), but did obtain a passing grade for the aforementioned 5 subjects will be required to attend an Adult Education Centre or a secondary school of his choice to procure the necessary credits. Subsequently, he will have to submit proof that he has fulfilled this requirement on or before the withdrawal deadline of the following semester. A delay may be granted to a candidate who needs to upgrade 3 or more courses. Failure to fulfill these requirements or failure to obtain the necessary credits could result in a denial of admission or enrollment for the following session.

- A candidate who needs no more than 6 credits to obtain a High School Diploma (SSD) may be admitted with the understanding that he must enroll in an Adult Education program to conditionally earn the missing credits. A written commitment must be given by the candidate to the College stating that agrees to fulfill this requirement and that he will have earned the necessary credits on or before the withdrawal deadline of the following semester. The candidate will be registered in the Orientation and Integration program. His file will be subsequently analyzed by the College's Academic Dean.
- 6.1.4 A candidate who obtained his High School Diploma prior to May 2007 solely with mathematics 416 and who is admitted into the Social Science program (300.A1) will be required to take a 15 hours mandatory refresher course in mathematics. Failure to fulfill this requirement could result in a denial of admission or enrollment for the following semester.
- 6.1.5 Candidates can be admitted to any college program if they have obtained a Diploma of *Vocational Studies (DVS)* and if they successfully completed the following subjects:
 - a) A secondary 5 level in the language of instruction.
 - b) A secondary 5 level in a second language.
 - c) Mathematics secondary 4 level or a minimum of 4 credits completed in the 4th or 5th secondary level, related to a course which belongs to a mathematics curriculum approved by Québec's Ministry of Education (MELS).
- 6.1.6 An applicant, who has completed an academic program that is deemed equivalent by the College, is eligible for a Diploma of College Studies program. Said training must be equivalent to or superior to the criteria set out in section 6.1.1 of this document, whether it was undertaken in the province of Québec or elsewhere, and whether or not it led to the obtainment of college or university credits.

When applying, the applicant must submit all diplomas and transcripts along with any and all pertinent documents. If said documents are not in English or in French, an official translation in one of these languages must be attached. Only documents translated by a certified translator will be accepted as official translations. If an academic equivalency is needed, a candidate can avail himself of services which are offered by organizations such as the SRAM or the MICC.

Generally, upon completing 12 years of study and obtaining a Secondary School Diploma the holder becomes admissible to a university. He is also eligible for a Diploma of College Studies program. If there is a prerequisite for a program, the College's Admissions' Coordinator will review the applicant's academic transcripts and assess whether the acquired skills and knowledge have been attained for the discipline of choice.

A candidate who has completed 11 years of study outside of the province of Québec and who does not hold a High School Diploma may still be admitted to a Diploma of College Studies program. The applicant's academic record will be reviewed by the Admissions' Coordinator. If the student's academic record is poor, he may be required to register for the Orientation and Integration semester. Upon successfully completing all of the courses in the Orientation and Integration semester, the applicant will be allowed to register in a program of his choice after showing that he has successfully completed all of his classes in this program.

A candidate who has interrupted his full-time studies for a period of at least 36 consecutive months may be eligible to register in a Diploma of College Studies program if the College deems that he has the necessary training and experience to enroll in such a program.

The candidate must submit, with his application, his diplomas, transcripts, proof of academic accomplishments or equivalency certificates, a resume, a description of his professional accomplishments along with letters of recommendation from present and previous employers.

The file will then be analyzed by the College's Academic Dean.

6.2 SPECIFIC ADMISSION CONDITIONS FOR A PROGRAM LEADING TO A DIPLOMA OF COLLEGE STUDIES (DCS)

- 6.2.1 All candidates of a Diploma of College Studies program must meet the conditions to be admitted their program of choice, as established by the Ministry of Education (MELS). Information on these conditions can be found in the promotional sheet of each program. It is available at the College's Admissions' Office and on the College's website at: www.collegelasalle.com.
- 6.2.2 All candidates of a Diploma of College Studies program must have sufficient oral and writing skills in the program's language of instruction.² An insufficient result in the language placement test may prevent a student from being admitted to a Diploma of College Studies program. (refer to Appendix A)

If the applicant does not meet the linguistic requirements of a program, he will be instructed to go to the International Language Centre of Montreal (MILC), to study the language of instruction for his chosen program on a full-time basis. The student must obtain a sufficient result on the language placement test to undertake studies at LaSalle College. (refer to Appendix A)

7. ADMISSION CONDITIONS FOR A STUDY PROGRAM LEADING TO AN ATTESTION OF COLLEGIAL STUDIES (ACS)

7.1 GENERAL ADMISSION CONDITONS FOR AN (ACS)

7.1.1 A candidate is eligible to an Attestation of College Studies program (ACS) if his educational training is deemed sufficient by the College and if it meets one of the following conditions:

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² The **«** *Test de français international* **»** (TFI). The minimum acceptable score for this test is 500. More information on this test is available at: http://www.etscanada.ca/fr/tfi/index.php.

The minimum acceptable score for TOEFL test is **60**. More information on this test is available at http://www.toefl.org. The **International English Language Testing System (IELTS)** result is also accepted with a band score of **5** or better. Information is available at www.ielts.org.

- a) If he has interrupted his full-time studies for at least two (2) consecutive sessions or for one (1) full school year;
- b) If he is the subject of an agreement reached between LaSalle College and an employer or benefits from a government program;
- c) The candidate has pursued his post-secondary education for a period of at least one (1) year.

Even though a candidate who has a High School Diploma is considered to have the necessary education to enroll in a College program, all applicants must submit, with the application, all academic records and all other documents deemed necessary for admission purposes.

If the applicant does not possess a High School Diploma, he must submit, with his application, last transcripts, proof of academic accomplishments, a resume, a description of his professional accomplishments along with letters of recommendation from present and previous employers.

- 7.1.2 Candidates are eligible to enroll in an Attestation of College Studies program (ACS) if they possess a High School Diploma or a Diploma of Vocational Studies (DVS), if they meet one of the following conditions:
 - a) That upon completion of the program, the candidate will have acquired technical training in a particular area for which no other program of study leading to a Diploma of Collegial Studies exists;
 - b) That the said program is covered by a binding agreement between the *ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport (MELS)*, another Ministry or a government agency responsible for training for the province of Québec.

7.2 SPECIFIC ADMISSION CONDITIONS FOR A PROGRAM LEADING TO AN ATTESTATION OF COLLEGE STUDIES (ACS)

- 7.2.1 Candidates applying for an Attestation of College Studies program (ACS) may be subject to specific conditions for admission set by the College. Information on these conditions can be found on the promotional sheet of each program. It is available at the College's Admissions' Office and on the College's website at: www.collegelasalle.com.
- 7.2.2 All candidates of an Attestation of College Studies program (ACS) must have sufficient oral and writing skills in the program's language of instruction³. The College may require a candidate whose first language is not French or English to take a standardized language test or a test which has been prepared onsite.

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8. ADMISSION CONDITIONS FOR A STUDY PROGRAM LEADING TO A DIPLOMA OF VOCATIONAL STUDIES (DVS)

8.1 GENERAL ADMISSIONS CONDITIONS FOR A DVS

- 8.2.1 A candidate is admitted to a study program leading to a Diploma of Vocational Studies (DVS) if he meets the following conditions:
 - a) Possesses a High School Diploma or an authenticated equivalency;
 - b) At the onset of the school year of his vocational education, the applicant will have turned 16 years of age on or by September 30th, will have completed the 4th secondary level in the language of instruction, second language program and a mathematics program, or will have completed and obtained authenticated equivalencies for the above noted programs.
 - c) Will have reached the age of 18 and will have the following functional prerequisites: successfully completed the general development test and the language of instruction course ENG-2, or possess an authenticated equivalency for the above noted prerequisites.

8.3 SPECIAL ADMISSION CONDITIONS FOR A DVS

8.3.1 All applicants to a Diploma of Vocational Studies program (DVS) must have sufficient oral and writing skills in the program's language of instruction⁴. The College may require a candidate whose first language is not French or English to take a standardized language test or a test which has been prepared onsite

If the applicant does not meet the linguistic requirements of a program, he will then be directed to the Montreal International Language Center (MILC) to study the language of instruction, for his chosen program, on a full-time basis. The student must obtain a sufficient result on the language placement test to undertake studies at LaSalle College.

9. SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR ALL STUDY PROGRAMS

- a) A change of program request constitutes a request for admission to a new program and may be subject to new conditions.
- b) All fees and dues must be paid prior to submitting a request for re-registration to a semester according to College rules and regulations.
- c) All falsified documents will automatically result in a denial or cancellation of admission.

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The minimum acceptable score for TOEFL test is 60. More information on this test is available at http://www.toefl.org.

The International English Language Testing System (IELTS) result is also accepted with a band score of 5 or better. Information is available at www.ielts.org.

- d) The Admission Regulations for LaSalle College students is available on the College's website or to any person making a request.
- e) Candidates who are refused to LaSalle College will be advised by the College and the said advisory will contain the reasons for refusal.

10. SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR FOREIGN STUDENTS

10.1 QUÉBEC ACCEPTANCE CERTIFICATE FOR STUDIES (CAQ)

- 10.1.1 Foreign students who wish to study in the province of Québec must apply for a CAQ (*Québec Acceptance Certificate for Studies*). Applicants must include with their application the required fee and various documents. Documents are based on the applicant's country of residence.
- 10.1.2 A fee of \$ 100 CDN is required for the evaluation of the application of a Québec Acceptance Certificate for Studies (CAQ). This said fee is non-refundable even if the application is refused and it is non-deductible from other fees charged by the Government of Canada when requesting a study permit. Other fees are required when applying for the Study Permit.
- 10.1.3 To obtain a Québec Acceptance Certificate for Studies (CAQ), the candidate must demonstrate his ability to cover tuition fees, transportation costs (round trip ticket to the country of origin), settlement costs for the first year of \$ 500, and all living expenses. The applicant must demonstrate that he will continue to have sufficient financial resources to pay these expenses for the duration of his studies. A proof of financial affordability must be attached to the application.

10.2 CANADIAN STUDY PERMIT

- 10.2.1 A request for a study permit must be submitted by applicants, outside of Canada, who are not Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada and who wish to study temporarily in Canada. A study permit will be issued if the application is accepted.
- 10.2.2 Information regarding the request for a study permit can be found on the Citizenship and Immigration Canada website.
- 10.2.3 To avoid delays in the processing of the application for a study permit, be sure to submit all required documents.

10.3 HEATH AND HOSPITILIZATION INSURANCE

10.3.1 The Quebec government has signed reciprocal agreements with certain countries on social security matters, including a section on health. These countries include: Denmark, Finland, France, Greece, Luxembourg, Norway, Portugal and Sweden. Students can qualify for health insurance in Quebec and benefit from the provisions of these agreements. (Note, however, that the agreement signed with Greece does not cover the student).

- 10.3.2 The intent of social security agreements is to facilitate the mobility between people originating from the signatory countries and the province of Québec.
 - a) Residents originating from the signatory countries are not subjected to the mandatory 3 month waiting period before being entitled to services covered by the health plan.
 - b) Students originating from France are covered under the Québec Public Prescription Drug Insurance plan.
- 10.3.3 Students must apply for health insurance with the *Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec* (RAMQ) upon arrival in the province of Québec.

Students must be covered by a health insurance policy as stipulated in the student's contract for educational services.

Proof of health insurance or a certificate of insurance from the student's country of origin (this information is available from the social security ministry of the student's country of residency).

Accompanying spouse and dependent children can be covered under the plan and benefit from the provisions of an agreement. However, their names must appear on one of the following documents. On the proof of insurance, on the certificate of insurance issued to the student by authorities in the country of origin, on the certificate of coverage submitted to the *Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec* by the employer or on the documents of the person they are accompanying. The original documents issued by Canadian Immigration authorities must be attached to the application form.

11. APPEAL PROCEDURE

A candidate or a student who feels he has not been treated fairly by the College in its application of the said Regulation has the right to appeal by following the procedures below:

- a) The applicant will meet with an Academic Studies Directorate representative, in the Admissions office, to request a review of the decision which was rendered;
- b) Subsequent to the above noted meeting, if the applicant remains dissatisfied with the decision, the student may appeal to the Academic Dean, who will render a final decision. In doing so, the Academic Dean will take into consideration the recommendations set forth by members of an Appeals and Review committee which is made up of the Program Director or the Program Coordinator and another College representative.

12. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- a) The Academic Dean is responsible for the distribution and the implementation of this Regulation.
- b) Amendments to the provisions of this Regulation will be subject to the approval of the Academic Dean.

13. EVALUATION AND REVISION

This Regulation may be revised as necessary.

14. DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION

This Regulation shall enter into force upon adoption by the Board of Directors

ANNEXE A

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Registration in English

A student whose first language is not English or has never done any studies in English and who wishes to register to a program leading to a DCS in English must demonstrate sufficient knowledge of the language through a placement test administered by LaSalle College.

English Literature Placement Test

A student must arrive at least one week prior to the start of his program in order to receive orientation information and write the English Learning Language Placement Test. A letter regarding the date and time for the orientation meeting and placement test will be sent to him.

A student registered to a program leading to a DCS, who never attended an English Literature course in another Cégep of the province of Québec, must write the English Learning Language Placement Test. This test assesses the writing skills of all incoming students in order to determine placement in the appropriate English Literature course.

English Learning Language Placement Test Content

The English Learning Language Placement Test consists of a 500 word essay that shows the following writing skills:

- Demonstrates comprehension through a reasonable interpretation of the topic;
- Expresses a point of view clearly and effectively;
- Organizes the essay into five distinct paragraphs that includes an introduction, three body paragraphs and a conclusion;
- Develops and supports the main idea with adequate explanations, examples and details;
- Displays a high degree of fluency and facility in the use of language, with appropriate and collegelevel vocabulary, overall coherence in ideas, word use and sentence structure, and minimal errors;

Placement test preparation courses are available on request. Please contact the Admissions' Office for more information. Students who think they may need preparation courses should arrive at least one month before the start of the program.

Results and Classification

The English Language and Literature course appearing on the student schedule results from the placement test. A student can get his schedule on Omnivox a few days before the beginning of the semester. A student is placed into one of these categories during his first semester at the College:

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The student successfully meets the English Placement Test evaluation criteria.

- The student is placed in Introduction to College English, the first of four courses that must be completed in college.
- Regular course load and 60 hours of English.

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The student demonstrates difficulty in two or more areas of expression in the English Placement Test.

- The student is placed in Preparation for College English, and will also receive additional support in a course that targets writing deficiencies.
- Regular course load and 120 hours of English.

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The student's writing skills are weak in three areas of expression, and the student makes numerous language errors in structure, word use and grammar that may interfere with meaning.

- The student is placed in Remedial Activities for Sec V English, a course that focuses on improvement in all areas of writing and that leads the student to Preparation for College English.
- Regular course load and 90 hours of English.
- Student receives a schedule without a Humanities course in his first semester at the College.

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The student's level of language is deemed insufficient and too low to pursue any of the above courses successfully.

- The student is placed in **Immersion**, a course of the **Orientation & Integration Program** that focuses on increasing comprehension, vocabulary, syntactical variety and correctness, and other areas of written language.
- Reduced course load to accommodate 180 hours of English.
- Add an additional semester in the regular program.
- The student's English level is re-evaluated upon completion of this course.
- Student receives a schedule without a Humanities course and without a French Second Language course in his first semester.

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The student does not meet the TOEFL/IELTS test criteria and the student's placement test has been left blank or nearly blank, the text is incoherent and incomprehensible, the topic has been ignored or misinterpreted completely, and the student lacks basic knowledge of the language and demonstrates a definite inability to function in the English language.

- Further ESL training required.
- Transfer to LaSalle's language school (Montréal International Language Center) for full-time English courses.
- The student must retake the placement test at a later date and obtain a **satisfactory result** in order to begin his program of study at LaSalle College.