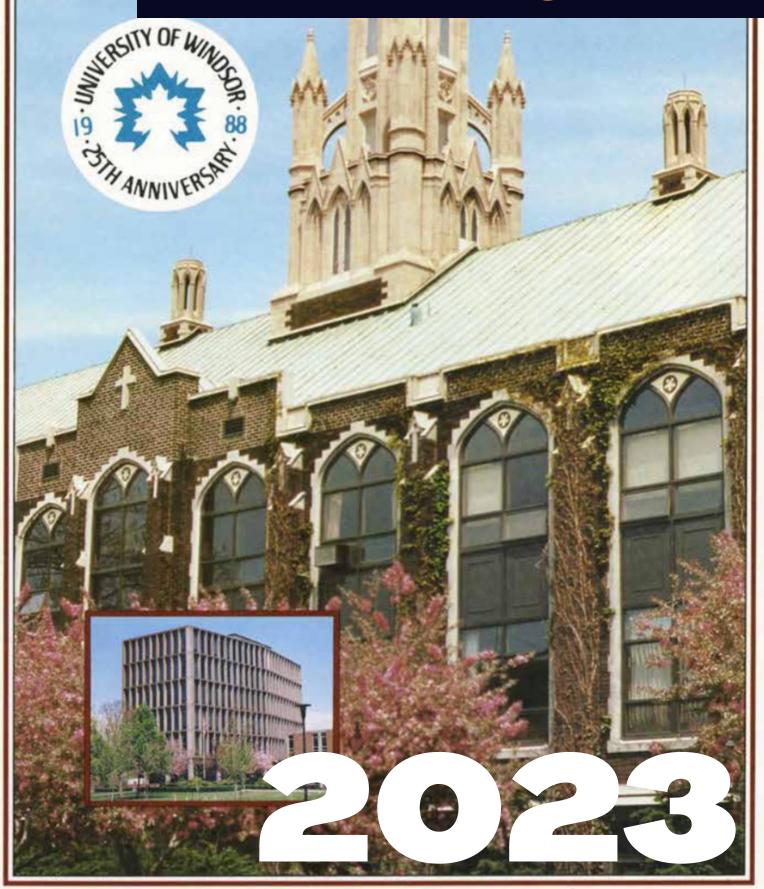
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Organization of Part-time University Students University of Windsor

### ANNUAL NEWSLETTER



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### WHAT IS OPUS?

The Organization of Part-time University Students (OPUS) is the body representing part-time undergraduate students, ensuring equal opportunity to quality education.

OPUS has a long history on campus and established in 1969 to provide a means for part time and mature students to have their voices heard on campus.

We are proud to provide excellent services and advocacy for over 50 years.

Your part-time and mature student union!



### OUR MISSION AND MANDATE

#### MISSION

OPUS is a dynamic organization that advocates and promotes a rewarding University of Windsor experience for part-time undergraduate students.

#### **ADVOCACY**

At the university level, by serving on numerous committees where decisions affecting part-time students are made. We address issues such as accessibility, course and program offerings, fees, student services, quality of student life and more.

Beyond the university level, OPUS activities include liaising with other part-time student associations from other universities, working with the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) to develop and maintain relationships with local MPs and MPPs, lobbying efforts concerning part-time student issues, researching and collecting data on part-time student trends.

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Student Funding Support

### OPUS BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF

**PRESIDENT** 

**VICE-PRESIDENT** 

**TREASURER** 

DIRECTOR AT LARGE

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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**ADMINISTRATOR** 

MARYAN AMALOW

STEVE JANCEV

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ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK

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### A MESSAGE FROM THE OPUS PRESIDENT CHRIS BAILLARGEON

Dear OPUS members,

Welcome to the University of Windsor, as part of the campus community, we are the Organization of Part-time University Students. my name is Chris Baillargeon, and I am your President for the 2023-2024 academic year. As many of you may experience, this time is a very busy time between school, work, family, and other commitments while keeping pace to reach your future goals. Here at OPUS, we provide advocacy for our student members regarding the student benefits plan, provide our free pizza Fridays, annual BBQ, Fall and Winter socials, as well as our other services. Moreover, we represent your interests on various student governance committees to ensure your voice is heard and maintain our commitment to our members, you, our members.

We continue to improve the overall student experience through continued growth and change as an organization to address your needs while involved with greater campus community life. We are all in this together. We work to inspire and aspire to motivate you to do your very best. OPUS offers the resources and support necessary to encourage our members to do their best in accomplishing their goals towards future success.



Take part in the vast array of experiential learning opportunities while here on campus, volunteering, networking, and mentorship possibilities, all to ensure you have acquired the skills you require in your future employment endeavors to gain an enriched student experience overall. Continue to learn, grow, see, and do all the things you need to be the best you can be. Ultimately, to go forth in the world, to be inspired, to be curious, to make the world a better place for the common good. Good choices will lead to good consequences.

Furthermore, get involved and get connected. The campus community is open for you to explore and expand upon your potential for knowledge and be a part of the greater campus community! Let's continue to aspire for a brighter future, to embrace the online technological advancements of the future while enjoying the greater outdoors our environment has to offer. Be the transformative change agent of influence for a brighter tomorrow. The difference starts with you. Currently, the Aspire campaign on campus as a community wide initiative in Strategic Planning is leading the way to change in future years.

Enjoy the journey!!!



# A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT DIANA MARION

Welcome to new and returning Part Time students. We at Opus are your student organization for Part Time Undergraduate University of Windsor students.

We hold a yearly Welcome barbeque in the Fall and arrange yearly Social events that include presentations of interest to part time students. We regularly hold food and discussion events. Our scheduled events include door prizes with tuition draws held at times.

Your Part Time Opus student office is in the student centre where we offer computer use, printing of documents, a comfy sofa area, a TV monitor, a large table with many chairs and kitchen facilities to service a few of your needs.

I am Diana Marion your Opus vicepresident and I am here to advocate for you, the part-time student.

As your Opus vice-president I serve on regularly scheduled University of Windsor committees, attend both provincial and national Canadian Federation of Student conferences and frequent different meetings, events, presentations and discussions concerning YOU the Part Time University of Windsor student.

A sincere welcome back to returning students and a Hello to new students.

Wishing you a successful and mutually fruitful academic 2023-24 year.

WE GOT YOU COVERED, SO GET CONNECTED WITH OPUS! STUDENTS ADVOCATING FOR STUDENTS!



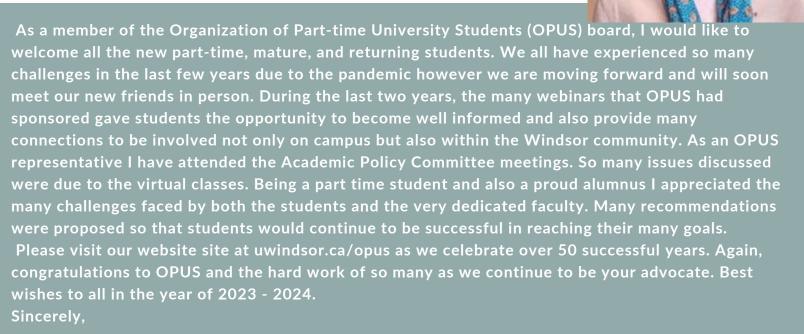
### A MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER DONNA PATTERSON

Welcome new, returning, and part-time students to your 2023-2024 University of Windsor academic year.

What a great place to start or continue your educational journey. My name is Donna Patterson, and I am the treasurer of the OPUS board. I have been involved with (OPUS), Organization of Part-Time Students for quite a few years now and have been privileged to be involved on committees such as the Student Senate Caucus, Policy Management Board, AGM meetings, and OPUS Socials. The commitment and dedication of OPUS as advocates of UWindsor part-time students is a core value that all board members and staff work hard to achieve. We at OPUS are proud to be actively committed to advocating on your behalf and will continue supporting you on your journey.

Come and see all that we offer!

# A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR AT LARGE JANICE MCADAMS



Janice Mcadam Director at Large



### A MESSAGE FROM THE **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** MARYAN AMALOW

Welcome to the University of Windsor!

Thank you for choosing to attend the University of Windsor as a part-time and mature undergraduate student! As the Executive Director of the organization, I oversee all operations, functions, and activities for the Organization of Part-time University Students. On behalf of the OPUS. I would like to offer a warm welcome to all part-time and mature undergraduate students.

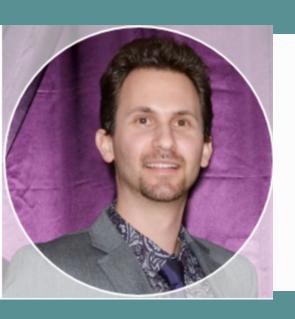
OPUS is a dynamic organization that advocates and promotes a rewarding University of Windsor experience for part-time students. As an organization composed of part-time students, we understand the enthusiasm and excitement (with a hint of nervousness) that you are feeling. OPUS is concerned with both the academic and social well-being of their students. OPUS guides you through academic advising to fulfill your academic needs as well as to provide you with utmost support in the University. We also provide services that give collective and/or an individual benefit to enhance the part-time student university experience.

We continue to engage with various community partners to see how we can address your concerns and needs during the pandemic. OPUS providing numerous programs and services. Furthermore, we will be offering webinars and opportunities to win prizes and more ways for you to stay connected with OPUS as a valued member.

OPUS members take advantage of all our amazing services, including benefits plan, and financial support such as over twenty bursaries and scholarships. We provide an excellent lounge area that students can utilize to study and relax, including access to computers, printer, as well as a kitchen. The OPUS office is accessible to everyone and is a one-stop shop for information pertaining to part-time and mature students. We have four senators that represent you at the senate committee to ensure that your rights are protected and that the part-time and mature students experience at the University of Windsor continues to be a great one. This includes maintaining the quality of both: academic programming and ensuring that student voices are heard. Our 50th anniversary was in March 2019 will forever be embedded within history as the day in which all our achievements were celebrated. We will continue providing excellent services and advocacy for all part-time and mature students at the University of Windsor. Our commitment and dedication have helped us to make OPUS a UNIQUE student organization at University of Windsor.

OPUS will show their appreciation in welcoming all part-time and mature undergraduate students to the University of Windsor for the Fall 2023 semester. The 13th Annual appreciation week will take place from September 11th - 15th, still strives to be at the forefront of change while 2023. Gift packages will be available for all parttime and mature students. We aim to introduce you to all aspects of university life as our main goal is to enhance the student life experience.

> Truthfully, Maryan Amalow **Executive Director**



### A MESSAGE FROM THE HEALTH PLAN ADMINISTRATOR

#### **STEVE JANCEV**

Dear Members,

I'd like to welcome all part-time and mature undergraduate students to the University of Windsor. As the Benefits Plan Administrator, I manage the operations for the OPUS Benefits plan including the handling of all student inquiries ensuring that each matter is dealt with efficiently. I also oversee duties in the Student Centre as the facilities administrator. The Student Centre is jointly managed by the Policy Management Board (PMB) that consists of OPUS, UWSA and the University.

The OPUS Benefits Plan is entering its 17th year of service to students for the 2023-24 benefit year. Our insurance provider is Green Shield Canada along with the National Student Health Network through our membership with the Canadian Federation of Students. Our insurance coverage is based on a pay direct system where students are not required to pay upfront and wait to get reimbursed later.

We know our members are looking for more convenient ways to access health care during this time and we are excited to inform all plan members that PocketPills pharmacy services was two years ago. PocketPills is an online pharmacy that allows you to easily manage, order and refill your prescription medications and vitamins from the convenience of an app. It offers several benefits that make the busy lives of staff and students a little easier. Once again, we will be organizing a webinar during the academic year about this program. Another significant service in our benefits plan is BEACON; a proven effective mental health support therapy that uses cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT). This service allows students to connect with mental health and provide CBT digitally.

Students can access BEACON through their benefits plan, using the psychology benefit program. Visit: info.mindbeacon.com/gsc-students for more information.

For more information about the OPUS benefits plan, visit <a href="www.uwindsor.ca/opus/drug-dental-plan">www.uwindsor.ca/opus/drug-dental-plan</a> or <a href="www.greenshield.ca/en-ca/student-centre">www.greenshield.ca/en-ca/student-centre</a>

We're here for you!

Steve Jancev Benefits Plan Administrator



# A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR AT LARGE **Stephanie Thomson**

It is my great pleasure and privilege to have recently been elected to the Board of the Organization of Part-Time University Students (OPUS) at the University of Windsor as a Director-at-Large. Moving to Amherstburg from Toronto in 2012, I found my way to the University of Windsor as a mature student in 2013, beginning a long-standing relationship with OPUS. I have continually benefited from my association with OPUS, where I have always found the door to be open, helpful and welcoming.

Many years ago, I enrolled at the brand-new satellite campus of the University of Toronto, Erindale College (now UTM) and was elected to serve on the Student Advisory Committee for the University. Later, I was appointed Vice-Chair of what was then Condominium Ontario and served in that capacity for several years. My work background includes condominium management and working in two international law firms as a document specialist. I was also fortunate to be able to host a community cable television show, "Concerning Condominium" and was a frequent speaker at related events in Southern Ontario. I know how to be a team player, how to lead, and most importantly, how to learn from others.

The University of Windsor is my preferred academic home. I look forward to meeting any

and all of you around the campus in the year ahead!

# A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR AT LARGE Hisham Barakat

Hello and Welcome to the Organization of Part-time University Students (OPUS) board, my name is Hisham Barakat, and it is my pleasure to be your new Board Member.

It gives me great pleasure to participate in promoting the Mission and Vision of OPUS by engaging, fulfilling and enjoying the rewarding experience at the University of Windsor. Also, I look forward to supporting this dynamic organization to continue the success in reaching their many goals.

Congratulations to OPUS and the hard work of so many dedicated members who contributed towards this success. - Hisham Barakat

# A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR AT LARGE Stephen Weir

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Hello fellow students.

My name is Stephen Weir and I have been a proud member of OPUS for over two years. I am currently a director-at-large of the organization and I will advocate on your behalf with my many years' experience. I first came to Windsor in 1969 for a qualifying year (Grade 13) and met my wife shortly after school started. We both were here in 1970, but shortly after, we left the University of Windsor together in early 1971 for Toronto. My wife received her pharmacy degree at the University of Toronto, and I received my degree in Journalism from Ryerson Polytechnical Institute. I returned to the University of Windsor in 1975 for summer courses and planned to continue to take courses to finish my first degree upon my return but didn't finish. Forty-nine years later, I returned, to finish what I started on towards my first degree. OPUS has been very helpful in re-introducing me to the student life and obtaining my courses to get settled in. I am seventy-one years old and one of the older part-time students advocating on your behalf. I am currently taking one course per semester and will be here a few more years. If you see me on campus, please say, "Hello!" There is no need to call me sir or hold the door for me, even though it's much appreciated. Otherwise, let's have a conversation over a cup of coffee, I take two milk and no sugar in my coffee. A bit more about myself, my wife and I are currently living in Toronto, and I commute weekly by way of VIA rail train to attend classes here in Windsor. If you are traveling by train, then let's chat as well! Get connected. Take care and speak soon. Enjoy your time here at the University of Windsor!

Director-at-Large Stephen Weir

Coming back to University of Windsor 53 years later | Windsor Star by Stephen Weir https://windsorstar.com/opinion/letters/guest-column-coming-back-to-university-of-windsor-53-years-later



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# UNIVERSITY OF WINDSOR



SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES OPUS MEMBERS HAVE ACCESS
TO ALL OF THESE SERVICES





DRUG AND DENTAL
BENEFITS



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CELEBRATING

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES** 





TRANSIT WINDSOR: UNLIMITED BUS RIDES



COMFY Lounge Area





VARIOUS SOCIAL EVENTS





HANDBOOK AND DAYPLANNER

### OPUS OBJECTIVES



- To represent part-time &mature students at the University of Windsor in matters affecting University life;
- To work with other student organizations for the achievement of common objectives
- To promote equal access and opportunity to all education and services at the University for part-time &mature students.
- To assist and encourage part-time students in their academic achievement
- To help provide information of events and services on the University campus to all members of OPUS
- To encourage all members to become active participants in the Organization and to afford opportunity for giving expression to their opinions upon all questions bearing on or affecting their interests





# YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN THE CANADIAN FEDERATION OF STUDENTS

Formed in 1981, the Canadian Federation of Students (Federation) is the oldest and largest national student organization in Canada, representing over 530,000 members across the country and over 350,000 in Ontario. The Federation represents students at all levels of study within post-secondary education in both French and English. Our goal is to organise students, students' unions and student leaders in a democratic way, and provide the resources and a platform for them to communicate, share information and exchange ideas. Eventually, we want to create a system of post-secondary education that is accessible to all, is of high quality, is nationally planned, is free, and one that recognizes the legitimacy of student representation and the validity of their rights, and reinforces the idea that students' rights are recognised and appreciated.

#### **CAMPAIGNS**

At the Federation, we know change only happens when we push for it. For 40 years now, the Federation has used the collective power of campaigns to demand a free and equitable post-secondary education system that is accessible to all. All campaigns are available to student members in both French and English. Some of our recent campaigns are:

- Equity in Mental Health
- Education for All
- Safer Return to Campus
- Police Free Campuses
- Fairness for International Students and,
- Fight the fees
- Day of Action (DOA) happening November 8th, 2023



#### **SERVICES**



The Federation works provides a number of discount services to our member locals. The services are an essential political component of the students' movement, and are designed to help both individual student members and students' unions save money, ensure ethical purchasing, and impact industry standards. Some of our services include:

- International Student Identity Card (ISIC): ISIC is an internationally recognized student discount and travel card that can be used in over 130 countries around the world at various retailers, travel partners, and attractions. In Canada, students can avail discounts with flights and bus tickets, attractions, online and in-person shopping locations. Members of the Federation can receive an ISIC for free as a benefit membership a savings of \$20! OPUS members can apply at www.isiccanada.ca.
- -<u>UFile</u>: The Federation provides free tax-filing services for all members of the Federation through UFile. It is an online tax filing system that is easy to use, is an educational tool, offers direct deposit and reduced wait times. Free for members, a savings of over \$20! Visit www.ufilefree.ca for details.
- Ethical Purchasing Network: The Federation offers ethically produced and sustainably sourced materials for our member locals, and most products available are union-made, made from recycled materials, cooperatively produced and environmentally conscious. The product range includes water bottles, plastic, lanyards, and handbooks. Inquire with OPUS about getting any of these items.
- National Student Health Network: The National Student Health Network is a buying consortium and full-service platform for health and dental insurance coordinated by the Federation in partnership with Canada's only national not-for-profit insurer, Green Shield Canada. Through this services model offered, students' unions have direct control over the services offered by their health and dental plans, while leveraging industry leading tools to bring the best possible experience plan members. The Dental Discount Network reduces student members' co-pay by 20% to 30% and the Vision Network discount varies between 10% to 30%. OPUS members receive the OPUS Benefits Plan through the National Student Health Network and Green Shield Canada.
- Services implementation, membership support and engagement: The Federation staff are trained and equipped with the resources to help member locals increase student engagement. We directly support campus groups, Board of Directors, staff, executive members and individual members by offering training and presentations on topics like Robert's Rules of Order, Media Training, Anti-Oppression Training and other customizable presentations relevant to the member local.

#### GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

The Federation provides robust government relations support for locals to engage with and communicate with the provincial government and key policy makers. Our government relations work facilitates the exchange of information, experience, research, policy and ideas between government decision-makers and those affected by their decisions, us students. Some of our government relations efforts include the Annual Lobby Week, submissions to government committees, and maintaining contact with the Ministry of Colleges and University, opposition critics, and allies.

THIS IS YOUR STUDENT MOVEMENT, JOIN THE MOVEMENT TODAY!

# We've got your health covered.

#### Who is Covered?

Part-time and mature undergraduate students (taking 3 or less courses) are assessed the health and dental plan fee annually depending on when they start their academic year, fall or winter. Those who are assessed this fee on their student account are automatically covered under both the health and dental plan.

#### How to Opt In

Part-time and mature undergraduate students who are taking 3 or less courses and are not assessed this fee may opt in to the plan.

Students with families may opt in a spouse/common law partner and/or children.

Additional plan fees apply. An opt in application must be submitted within the student's first eligible opt in term. Visit **uwindsor.ca/opus** or the OPUS office for more information.

#### How to Opt Out

Students who have comparable health and coverage may opt out of the health and den by providing sufficient proof. An opt out ap must be submitted within the student's firs opt out term, on an annual basis. Visit the C office or **uwindsor.ca/opus** for more inform

#### **Coverage Change Periods**

- Fall Session (opt out, opt in, family opt in):
   August 2 October 6 2021
- Winter Session (opt out, opt in, family opt in for new January academic starts):
   January 1 - February 14, 2022



#### Dentist

Save even more at over 800 dentists across Canada. Get dental services you need at a price you will love. Here's how it works:

- Find a participating dentist at student.greenshield.ca
- At the end of your treatment provide the dentist with your GSC member ID. GSC will automatically calculate the applicable discount.
- GSC pays your dentist directly so you only pay your share of the cost (if any).

Discount ranges from 20% to 30% based on dental services.

#### **Shoppers Drug Mart**

Save 10% on President Choice®, no name®, Quo®, and Life Brand® products. Present your Shoppers Drug Mart® card with your student ID. Visit student.greenshield.ca to get your card!

#### Glasses & Contacts

Save 10% online at ContactsExpress.ca Using promo code **GSCVision** 

Save 25% on frames online at Clearly.ca Using promo code **ESGRN20** 

Or visit **student.greenshield.ca** to find a vision discount near you at The Bay Optical, Vision Clinic, Hakim Optical, and more!

#### More Discounts

Save more with GSC on hearing aid devices, prescription medications, and LASIK MD. Visit **student.greenshield.ca** to learn more.

#### Accessing Your Coverage



1.888.711.1119 greenshield.ca

Your Name

GSC member ID: OPU student # - 00 (Example: OPU123456789-00

Organization of Part-time University Students University of Windsor

#### **Benefits Summary**

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Health Benefits Up to \$10,000	Per Visit/ Purchase	Per Policy Year		
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS	80%	\$1,500		
P pocketpills  Get 90% prescription drug coverage at pocketpills.com/gscstudent				
DIABETIC TESTING AGENTS, NEEDLES, SYRINGES	80%	\$1,000		
HPV VACCINES	80%	included in drug maximum		
ACUPUNCTURIST NATUROPATH HOMEOPATH REGISTERED MASSAGE THERAPIST referral from MD or NP required	\$20	20 visits		
CHIROPRACTOR PHYSIOTHERAPIST	\$20	20 visits		



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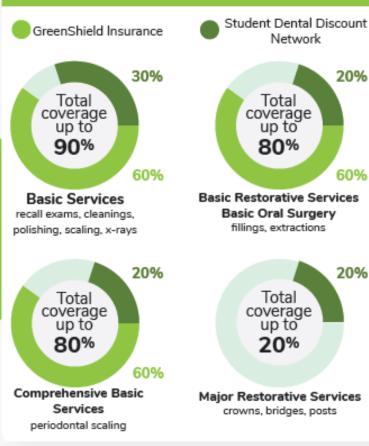
PSYCHOLOGIST SOCIAL WORKER COUNSELLOR	100%	\$500
MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK		
PSYCHOTHERAPIST		

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BEACON ICBT THERAPY	100%	\$300 included in mental health maximum
PODIATRIST referral from MD or NP required	\$20	20 visits
SPEECH THERAPIST	\$20	20 visits
ORTHOTICS & FOOTWEAR	100%	\$200
BRACES, CASTS, CRUTCHES	100%	\$500
EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION	reasonable and customary charges	included in overall \$10,000 maximum
ACCIDENTAL DENTAL	reasonable and customary charges	included in overall \$10,000 maximum
ACCIDENT COVERAGE	Accidental death and dismemberment coverage up to \$5,000	

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#### **Dental Benefits** Up to \$1,000



Vision Benefits Up to \$230	Per Visit/ Purchase	Amount Covered
EYE GLASSES CONTACTS Every 24 consecutive months	100%	\$150
EYE EXAM Every 24 consecutive months	100%	\$80
Travel Coverage Up to \$5,000,000	Amount Covered	Eligible
TRAVEL HEALTH COVERAGE	60 days	Per Trip
EMERGENCY SERVICES	\$5,000,000	Per benefit year

prosthetics, and tutorial benefit. Download the GSC Everywhere mobile app, call GreenShield at 1-888-711-1119 or visit

greenshield.ca/student

LEGAL ASSISTANCE

PLAN



### **HEADSTART** ORIENTATION 2022

During the summer, we held the Head Start Orientation to educate students about the wide range of services provided by OPUS. We covered topics such as course registration and advising, receiving your Student ID card, OPUS student day planner and much more!

### **HEAD START** ORIENTATION



Saturday, July 9th, 2022 (12:00pm-1:30pm)

Visit our booth in the space between Dillon Hall and Chrysler Hall Tower to get to know the great range of services OPUS provides to Part-Time, Transfer and Mature Lancers at UWindsor!

Gift bags will be distributed while supplies last.

Did we mention there is a new student bursary valued at \$800?

By attending head start orientation, a lucky part-time or mature undergrad student (taking 3 courses or less in Fall 2022) will get a chance to win this prize!

For any questions pertaining to Head Start, please contact eventregistration@uwindsor.ca OR opus@uwindsor.ca









Students filled out a ballot for a chance to win the **New Student** bursary worth

# 12TH ANNUAL APPRECIATION WEEK

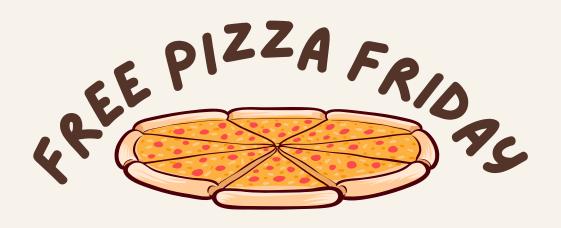




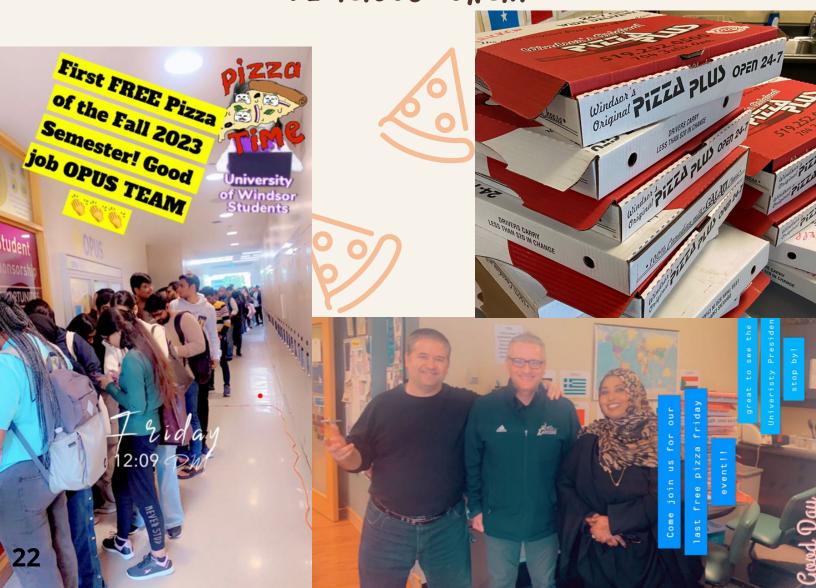
From September 12th16th OPUS hosted our
Annual Appreciation
Week to welcome all
part-time students into
the new academic
semester.



FREE gift bags to students with OPUS merch, hand sanitizer, T-shirts, mugs, and more!



A HUGE THANK YOU TO CAMPUS DENTAL FOR SUPPORTING FULL-TIME, PART-TIME AND GRADUATE STUDENTS! THE CAMPUS DENTAL CENTRE ALSO SPONSORS FREE PIZZA FRIDAYS IN THE OPUS LOUNGE, WE APPRECIATE AND RECOGNIZE THEIR EFFORTS TO PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH A DELICIOUS LUNCH!



### **OPUS ANNUAL FALL SOCIAL 2022**

On October 6th, OPUS held our Annual Fall Social event. We had a very informative event with guest speakers talking about a wide range of important topics.

Gift cards were given out to the first 50 students to join!

#### Thank you to our guest speakers!

Kory Martyniuk and Tony Grandi



**Marnie Elliot** 





OCTOBER 6, 2022 @4:30PM **ALUMNI AUDITORIUM** 



#### What You Will Learn:

- RBC- Financial Planning
- GSC Benefit Plan & NSHN Inkblot Mental Health Therapy
- PocketPills

#### What You Will Earn:

 Food and prizes will be available to all attendees!

TO REGISTER, PLEASE EMAIL: OPUS@UWINDSOR.CA

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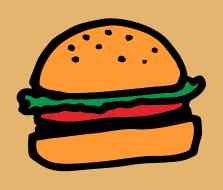








# Annual Welcome BBQ





On September 22, 2022, OPUS held the 20th Annual Welcome BBQ

We were proud to see so many students who came and participated. Thank you to everyone who joined us!









#### 30th ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

October 28th, 2022 Student Centre Alumni Auditorium

#### **EVENING PROGRAM**

5:00 PM - Doors Open

5:30 PM - Opening Remarks & Land acknowledgement by Steve Jancev, Benefits Plan Administrator

National Anthem by Faith Williams

5:45 PM - Awards Presentation

6:15 PM - Dinner

Beet and Caesar salads Cavatappi Alfredo Salmon with Romesco sauce Panko crusted chicken parmesan (HALAL) Green Beans & Garlic Mashed Redskin **Potatoes** 

Mini assorted Italian pastries

Pianist Adeniyi

**Singer Happy** 

Closing Remarks Maryan Amalow Executive Director

Christopher Baillargeon

OPUS Bursaries 2022 were given to 10 part-time undergraduate students and were chosen based on financial need.

2 of these bursaries are sponsored by the Alumni Association and 3 are sponsored by the Campus Dental Centre.



#### 2022 AWARD RECIPIENTS

**OPUS Distinguished Service Award** Chris Lanoue, Finance OPUS Staff/Faculty Leadership Award Mark Trudell, Registrars **OPUS Faculty Award** Dr. Vincent Manzerolle, CMF Dr. Victor Sevillano Canicio, Languages **OPUS Support Staff Award** Nancy McMahon, Alumni Affairs Gina Alb, Experiential Learning **Murray Taylor, Facility Services OPUS Friend of Student Award** Dr. Antonio Rossini, Languages **OPUS Student Leader Appreciation Award** Gagneet Kaur, Canadian Federation of Students **OPUS Appreciation Award** Ronnie Haidar, FAHSS **OPUS Departmental Appreciation Award Tim Gregorian, Student Centre Pharmacy** Alumni Association First Year Part Time Award **Ashley Carson** Alumni Association Academic Achievement Award **Allison Knapp** Dr. Kai Hildebrandt Part Time Student Award **Rhonda Vacheresse** Dr. Susan Wendt Hildebrandt Part Time Student Award Selma Huxley-Gannage

Mary C. Schisler Award in Dramatic Arts **Morghan Paige Curtis** Ken Long Memorial Award Logan McQueen Dr. Kathleen McCrone Award Andrea Halin

VEK Ternoey Academic Second Chance Award Julien Chin Wayne Girard Memorial Leadership Award **David Adeniran** 

Student with a Disability Achievement Award Paviththira Chodha

The 30th Annual awards banquet was held to recognize the efforts of OPUS board and students throughout the 2021-2022 academic year.

CONGRATULATIONS **TO ALL OPUS AWARD RECIPIENTS!** 



### MCC - 2023 Gala Event

On May 4th, 2023, OPUS attended the MCC - 2023
Gala Event!!









Congratulations!

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president and

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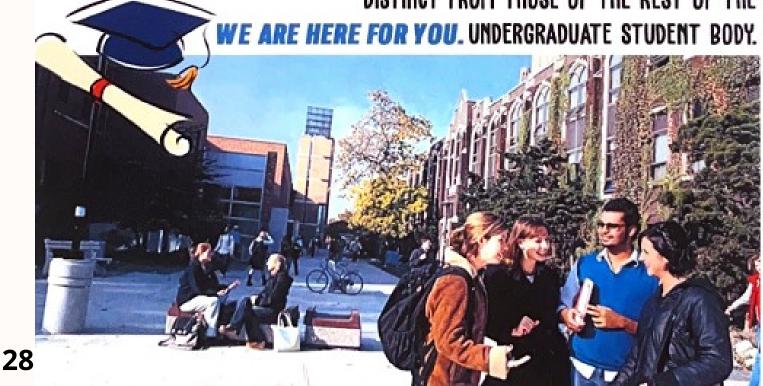
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### A Poem Written By a Former Board Member: Sharmini Rampersaud



Today little poem

I yearn for Knowledge

I quench my thirst for knowledge by reading

This curious mind has to be kept open since I don't have all the answers

**Encourage reading** 

Literacy is a human right (Sharmini Rampersaud)

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