

# Private Career Colleges in Ontario

The decision to go to a private career college is a very important one. Students need to protect themselves by checking to make sure the program is government approved.

### What Are Private Career Colleges?

Private career colleges (PCCs) offer career-specific training in a wide range of fields. They are independent businesses that are regulated by the Ontario government. There are more than 500 registered PCCs in Ontario.

#### **Know the Law**

Under the Private Career Colleges Act, PCCs must be registered and must have their programs approved by the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities. Students who enrol in an unregistered college or an unapproved program are not protected by the act.

#### Do Your Homework Before You Enrol

Students who are thinking about attending a PCC should visit **ontario.ca/pcc** to find out if their program is government approved.

Students should also make sure:

- ✓ the program meets the requirements of their chosen profession
- the program and the PCC are recognized by employers or other educational institutions
- they and a representative of the college have signed an enrolment contract

## **Find Out More**

For more information about registered PCCs in Ontario, visit **ontario.ca/pcc**, call **1.866.410.PCCS**, or check out the Private Career Colleges in Ontario page on **Facebook**.



