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Dear Student,

Project ADVANCE is a **6-week** summer institute which prepares students with specific learning disabilities for success in their university studies. This initiative is offered through the Learning Disabilities Program at York University and is funded by the *Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, Government of Ontario*. At Project ADVANCE, students with learning disabilities learn about academic strategies, study and life skills, assistive technologies, and the availability of campus support. In addition, students have the opportunity to examine their individual areas of academic strength and weakness as they relate to the challenges of university studies.

This summer, Project ADVANCE is scheduled from **Tuesday, July 3rd – Thursday, August 9th, 2012**. The program will operate from 9:00 - 4:00pm, **Monday to Thursday at the Keele** Campus of York University, Toronto, Ontario. Project ADVANCE offers an integrated curriculum designed to increase competence and self-efficacy for students with learning disabilities. The curriculum includes: self-advocacy training; reading and writing strategies for university level materials; computer skills (including exposure to on-line learning environments) adaptive technologies; study and note-taking skills; test-taking and memory strategies; as well as time and stress management.

If you are interested in attending Project ADVANCE, please complete the application package which can be found on-line at:
http://www.yorku.ca/cds/lds/project_advance_request_form.php. A \$200 refundable registration fee is required. This fee will be returned to you pending an 80% attendance record. Please send your completed application package to:

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Applications should arrive in their entirety prior to **May 25th, 2012**. Acceptance letters will be mailed on a continuous basis after this date. Should you have any questions concerning your application, please contact me. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Maureen Haig, B.Ed., M.A.
Coordinator, Project ADVANCE
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* We anticipate that Project ADVANCE will be offered as planned for the summer of 2012. However, at the time of printing, funding has not been confirmed by the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities.