

University of Toronto

2020-21 Student Exchange Program Fact Sheet

About U of T

The University of Toronto is a global leader in research and teaching. We provide diverse and extensive areas of study organized around smaller, intimate learning communities. That is what creates an exceptional learning environment for our students. One university, three campuses, 90,000+ enrolled students from 160+ countries, 14,000+ faculty, 7,000+ staff, over 800+ student clubs, and the 3rd largest library system in North America.

Sessional Dates

Fall: early September to late December

Winter: Early January to late April

Summer (if available and approved): May to June and July to August

Holidays: Winter break – late December to early January

Minimum length of exchange: One semester

Maximum length of exchange: Two semesters

Students should arrive one week before class starts.

Grading Scale and Course Load

For information on the U of T grading scale, please refer to the [Guide for Reading a Transcript](#).

Full course load: 2.5 credits per semester.

Living Expenses and Financial Requirements

| ESTIMATED COST OF LIVING PER MONTH | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| | ST. GEORGE CAMPUS | MISSISSAUGA CAMPUS | SCARBOROUGH CAMPUS |
| HOUSING COSTS | \$900 - \$2,451 | \$702 - \$1,780 | \$800 - \$1,762 |
| FOOD/GROCERIES/MEAL PLAN | \$200 - \$462 | \$187 - \$562 | \$187 - \$480 |
| PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION COSTS | Metro Pass: \$116.75 | UPASS: \$0 | Metro Pass: \$116.75 |
| HEALTH INSURANCE (REQUIRED) | UHIP: \$52 | UHIP: \$52 | UHIP: \$52 |
| BOOKS, SUPPLIES & UTENSILS | \$125 - \$250 + | \$125 - \$250 + | \$125 - \$250 + |
| MISCELLANEOUS | \$125 - \$250 | \$125 - \$250 | \$125 - \$250 |
| TOTAL APPROXIMATE COST | (\$1,769.25) | (\$1,578.00) | (\$1,211.25) |

Visa Requirements

Depending on the country, students might need an entry visa or a study permit.

For detailed information, please see [our website](#) and refer to the [CIC website](#).

Scholarships

No scholarships are provided by U of T. Please refer to the [Canadian Government website](#) to determine eligibility to apply for a DFATD scholarship.

Eligibility requirements

Language

Language of Instruction: English

| MINIMUM SCORE REQUIREMENTS | | |
|---|--|---|
| APPLICANTS FOR... | TOEFL Internet-based Test (iBT) | IELTS ACADEMIC |
| UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES | Faculty of Arts & Science, Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering, Faculty of Music, and Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education: 89 overall + 22 on Writing | Overall band of 6.5, with no band below 6.0 |
| | Faculty of Architecture, Landscape, and Design: 100 overall +22 on Writing | |
| GRADUATE STUDIES (MASTERS AND PHD) | 93 overall +22 on Writing and Speaking | Overall band of 7.0, with no band below 6.5 |
| FACULTY OF LAW | 100 overall + 25 on Reading and Writing | Overall band of 7.0, with no band below 6.5 |

Please Note: We cannot accept TOEFL "Institutional Testing Program" (ITP) scores.

Academic

| MINIMUM ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS | |
|---|---|
| UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES | Faculty of Arts & Science, Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering, Faculty of Music, Faculty of Kinesiology, and Physical Education: 2.25 CGPA. Student must be in good academic standing |
| | Faculty of Architecture, Landscape, and Design: 2.7 CGPA |
| GRADUATE STUDIES (MASTERS AND PHD) | Mid-B average (refer to SGS requirement) |
| FACULTY OF LAW | Exchange students who are admitted to the law exchange programs are usually in the top 20% of their current class with superb English language ability. Law generally admits exchange students who are in the upper year of their Law degree. |

Partner Nomination and Application

The partner nomination and application process for the three campus is centrally administered through the Centre for International Experience (CIE). Details on the courses as well as information on the restricted programs are available on the [inbound page](#).

Nomination and Application Deadline and Process

- Partner institutions **must nominate** students to one of the three campuses through the [Partner Portal](#)
- Nominated students must complete the online exchange application in the [Student Portal](#)
- Course registration is confirmed after students are admitted to U of T.

| TERM | UNDERGRADUATE + LAW | GRADUATE |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| FALL AND FULL YEAR | April 1 st | March 1 st |
| WINTER | April 1 st | June 1 st |
| SUMMER (GRADUATE RESEARCH) | / | March 1 st |

Research Opportunities for Graduate students

Students wishing to be involved in research activities will be admitted under the International Visiting Graduate Students program (IVGS) at the School of Graduate Studies (SGS.) Admission to this program is on a rolling basis, with a fee. However, if you choose to use exchange spots for research students, fees will be waived. Exchange research students must apply by the deadline corresponding to the exchange period they wish to come to U of T. Students must submit an IVGS application to SGS and an exchange application through our Student Portal. Their research at U of T must follow academic terms as closely as possible.

Accessibility Services

We encourage you to contact the Learning Abroad Advisor – Inbound as early as possible to enquire about [academic accommodation](#) that are available to students. Due to the documentation required for the disability, the process must be started at least 2 months before the arrival date to ensure that the appropriate academic accommodation is in place. Students must be registered with U of T Accessibility Services in order to receive academic accommodation, while on exchange.

Contact Information

Mailing Address

Learning Abroad – Centre for International Experience
Cumberland House, University of Toronto
33 St. George Street, Toronto, Ontario, M5S 2E3 Canada

| LEARNING ABROAD TEAM | CONTACT NAME & EMAIL | TELEPHONE |
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| INBOUND Students coming to UofT | April Hoy, Denise Bentum inbound.exchange@utoronto.ca | +1 (416) 978-5324 +1 (416) 946-3138 |
| OUTBOUND (Fall, Full Years, Winter) UofT students going abroad | Laura Morello, Nathalie Mejia outbound.exchange@utoronto.ca | +1 (416) 946-5479 +1 (416) 946-3739 |
| SUMMER Experiences Outbound UofT students going on summer research terms | Elina Tulla elina.tulla@utoronto.ca | +1 (416) 978-2115 |
| PARTNERSHIPS Partnership matters, including agreements | Lionel Siméon, Mehra Ghobadi partnerships.mobility@utoronto.ca | +1 (416) 978-6617 +1 (416) 946-0375 |
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Useful U of T Links and Resources

- [U of T Student Exchange office website](#)

Overview of the three Campuses

Mississauga Campus (UTM)



Figure 1: University of Toronto Mississauga campus

About UTM

UTM features 15 academic departments, 148 programs, and 89 areas of study, offering undergraduate and interdisciplinary graduate studies programs. The campus also boasts a vibrant research environment and many of its faculty and researchers are recognized internationally for their innovative work. UTM's facilities are situated on 225 acres of protected greenbelt along the Credit River, with direct shuttle bus service to and from St. George campus.

Programs and Courses of Special interest

Along with standard Humanities, Social Sciences, Science and Management programs UTM offers some unique programs listed below.

- [Communication, Culture, Information and Technology](#)
- [South Asian Civilizations](#)
- [Visual Studies](#)
- [Forensic Science Program](#)
- [MSc in Sustainability Management](#)
- [Management & Innovation](#)
- [Psychology](#)

UTM also offers a unique research program for undergraduate exchange students, the [International Research Opportunities Program \(iROP\)](#). The iROP runs from mid-May to mid-August over the summer and during the academic year (Fall, Winter + Full Year). In addition, there are a large number of [experiential learning opportunities](#) available on the UTM campus).

Restricted Programs: Some programs in Visual Arts and CCIT have courses offered at Sheridan College that have limited capacity for hosting exchange students. Management courses are also extremely competitive and difficult for exchange students to enroll in.

Housing

UTM Residence offers a variety of on-campus accommodation options. The application process is very competitive and places are not guaranteed for students coming during Fall and/or Winter. However, students coming to UTM in the summer are guaranteed a spot in Residence. See housing information on the [UTM website](#).

Campus Life and Facilities Links

- [Exchange at UTM](#)
- [UTM International Education Centre](#)
- [Student Life](#)
- [Centre for Student Engagement](#)
- [Additional information on the UTM campus](#)

Scarborough Campus (UTSC)



Figure 2: University of Toronto Scarborough campus

About UTSC

Experiential education is the hallmark of the UTSC campus. Students get a head start on their futures through hands-on research, community engagement and a vibrant campus life. Located next to popular natural landmarks in Toronto's greenest area, the UTSC campus is experiencing dynamic growth. The new Aquatics Centre and Field House represents Canada's largest investment in amateur sport infrastructure, opened in 2015 for the Pan Am/Parapan Am Games.

Programs and Courses of Special Interest

UTSC offers standard Humanities, Social Sciences, Science and Management programs (English literature, Statistics, Economics, etc.), but also some interesting and unique programs listed below.

- [Arts Management](#)
- [Global Asia Studies](#)
- [Population Health](#)
- [International Development Studies](#)
- [Critical Migration Studies](#)
- [Food Studies](#)
- [Mental Health Studies](#)
- [Management & International Business](#)
- [City Studies](#)

Restricted Programs: The Co-op (work placement) program and any Joint Program courses taught at Centennial College (Paramedicine, Journalism, New Media Studies) are not available to exchange students.

Programs with limited capacity: please refer to the [UTSC website](#).

Housing

[On campus accommodation](#) is **guaranteed** for exchange students coming to UTSC. UTSC Student Residence provides 765 self-catered spaces on-campus to both international and domestic students. Students generally live in their own room with shared cooking and common areas, either in the Townhouses or Joan Foley Hall (apartment-style).

Campus Life and Facilities Links

- [UTSC International Student Centre](#)
- [Student Life](#)
- [Campus Life](#)

St. George Campus (UTSG)



Figure 3: University of Toronto St George campus

About UTSG

Set in the centre of Toronto, one of the world's most dynamic and diverse cities, it is a place where students, staff and faculty engage with a vibrant academic life and countless co-curricular activities. Life and learning takes place at many innovative landmarks across campus. Experience the treasures in the 1970s larger-than-life Robarts Library or conduct some cyber-sleuthing at the Citizen Lab. Students have access to some of the world's leading minds. After all, ten Nobel Laureates have taught, or were students themselves, on this very campus.

Faculty and Courses

- [Arts & Science](#)
- [Applied Science & Engineering](#)
- [Daniels, Faculty of Architecture, Landscape & Design](#)
- [Law \(second entry degree\)](#)
- [Kinesiology & Physical Education](#)
- [Music](#)
- [School of Graduate Studies](#)

Details on the courses for each Faculty as well as information on the restricted programs are available [on our website](#). Course registration is confirmed after students are admitted to U of T.

Programs with limited capacity: Computer Science and Rotman Commerce.

Housing

Accommodation is **not guaranteed** for exchange students at the St George campus. [Housing Services](#) offers assistance and advice to all students on housing-related matters. They can assist with finding on-campus and off-campus accommodations after admission as an exchange student.

Campus Life and Facilities

- [Student Life](#)
- [Additional information about the St George campus](#)