MD PROGRAM
at the
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
At the University of Toronto, our commitment to excellence in teaching and research ensures our place among the best universities in the world. In 2019, we ranked number one in Canada and fifth in the world for Clinical Medicine in the US News & World Report Best Global Universities Ranking.

Located in the heart of Canada’s largest health care network, our students learn from world-renowned faculty and participate in cutting-edge research and community-based activities. Our unique academy structure provides students with an intimate learning environment.

A TRANSFORMATIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Our comprehensive four-year curriculum transforms students into highly skilled, empathic physicians.

Our Foundations Curriculum is an innovative and integrated program. In addition to taking part in lectures and seminars in the first two years of the program, students learn in labs and community settings. They can also apply their knowledge to virtual patients and experience real-life clinical problems through case-based and online learning.

Each week, students have the equivalent of a full, unscheduled day for their own learning activities like self-directed study or skill development. Our program’s clinical medicine component promotes learning in context in order to prepare our students for the final two years of medical school, known as Clerkship.

During Clerkship, students learn by working on-site with physicians and other allied health professionals. They also participate in rotations in all major areas of medicine and have the opportunity to choose electives to diversify their learning.

At U of T, learning goes beyond the classroom and hospital walls. Students can get involved in everything from research and community development to athletics, arts and culture.

AN EXCEPTIONAL LOCATION

Our two unique campus communities — the historic St. George campus in downtown Toronto and the vibrant and modern Mississauga campus — place our students in the heart of Canada’s largest health care network. Collaborations across a wide variety of hospitals and clinical care settings allow our students to experience the Greater Toronto Area’s diversity through the range of clinical placements they can pursue and in the population they will serve.

Did you know…

Toronto is the 4th largest city in North America, and one of the most diverse in the world.
MD/PHD PROGRAM

Physician scientists advance and shape the world of medical research. If you have a strong interest in medicine and research, discover where this program can take you at: http://uoft.me/mdphd

DIVERSITY: OUR STRATEGIC ADVANTAGE

Our MD Program recognizes the importance of diversity in our classrooms. Not only does diversity lead to enhanced learning and engagement, it supports and elevates the practice of medicine.

BLACK STUDENT APPLICATION PROGRAM (BSAP)

BSAP is an optional application stream for Black applicants who self-identify as Black African, Black Caribbean, Black North American and multi-racial students who have and identify with their Black ancestry. Through BSAP, we hope to increase and support Black medical student representation at U of T. http://uoft.me-bsap

INDIGENOUS STUDENT APPLICATION PROGRAM (ISAP)

ISAP is an optional application stream for applicants who identify as Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit and Métis). The goal of this application program is to increase the number of Indigenous medical students at U of T through a culturally inclusive admissions process and a welcoming community. http://uoft.me/isap

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

U of T’s MD Program welcomes students from the US and around the world. Study medicine in a dynamic city, with unparalleled access to research and a breadth of clinical experiences. To learn more about the admissions process, fees and opportunities for training after graduation, visit: http://uoft.me/MD-us-intl

Did you know...
U of T researchers Banting & Best discovered Insulin here in 1921
WHAT DO I NEED IN ORDER TO APPLY?

If you are currently studying or have completed your studies in Canada, you must:
— have completed at least three years of study towards a Canadian university bachelor’s degree in any discipline.

If you are currently studying or have completed your studies outside of Canada, you must:
— have a completed non-medical bachelor’s degree considered equivalent to a four-year bachelor’s degree in Canada.
— submit transcripts from studies completed at universities outside of Canada or the US to World Education Services (WES) at www.wes.org for assessment. For admission consideration, we require a course-by-course evaluation that includes an overall GPA calculation.

Requirements for all applicants:
— prerequisite courses: Two full-course equivalents in life sciences and one full-course equivalent in humanities or social sciences or languages
— Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) scores: meet a threshold score of 125 in each of the four sections, with an allowance of 124 in one section

Submit a completed online application to the Ontario Medical School Application Service (OMSAS) at www.ouac.on.ca/omsas. Applications open in July and close at the beginning of October, but you must create an account by mid-September.

Your application includes:
— an autobiographical sketch and statements
— four brief personal essays
— three references
— additional materials are required if you are applying for the MD/PhD Program or through our BSAP or ISAP application streams
— optional academic explanations essay

These materials will be assessed according to four attribute clusters which evaluate your:
— professionalism
— communication, collaboration and leadership
— advocacy
— scholarly achievements

Top candidates are invited to attend an in-person interview between February and April.

For complete admission requirements, see: http://uoft.me/MD-adm-reqs

“Toronto is such a big place that you can get everything from the academic teaching hospital experience to the community hospital experience and everything in between.”
— Varuna Prakash
2017 MD Program graduate, Mississauga Campus

“There’s a remarkable number of great clinicians, educators and researchers here — some of the best in Canada and the world. I wouldn’t change anything about my decision to come here.”
— Ryan Giroux
2017 MD Program graduate
St. George Campus

Did you know...
In 1963, the Stem Cell was discovered by Till & McCulloch in a U of T lab

“Did you know...”
In 2015, a team led by U of T professor and neurosurgeon Todd Mainprize was the first to deliver drug therapy across the blood-brain barrier