Award for Scholarly Achievement in the Area of Gender Based Violence (Graduate Award)

# About the Award

Each December 6th, the University of Toronto community marks the National Day of Remembrance & Action on Violence Against Women with events across the institution. In 2016, the University established the Graduate and Undergraduate Award for Scholarly Achievement to recognize students who have made distinctive contributions in the area of gender-based violence research and prevention.

Two awards at $1,500 each are available annually - one for a graduate student and one for an undergraduate student. The Award is funded jointly by the Office of the Vice-President and Provost and the Office of the Vice-President, Human Resources & Equity.

# Graduate Award

This graduate Award was established by the University of Toronto in memory of the 14 women who died tragically at the Ecole Polytechnique on December 6, 1989. It is awarded annually to a graduate student, in any year of any program, who demonstrates scholarly excellence in research focusing on understanding, prevention, and/or intervention in the area of violence against women and girls and/or against trans and gender non-binary people.

**Award Amount: $1,500**

# ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

* Domestic or international graduate student
* At the time of application, registered in a graduate program at the University of Toronto; full- time, part-time and/or flex-time registered students are eligible
* Academic merit (Candidates are required to have maintained a cumulative average of an A- average at the time of application (A- = 80%)
* If you are in the **first or second year** of graduate studies, you must have an overall average of at least A- on your **20 most recently completed one-term/semester courses**
* If you are in the **third year (or higher)** of graduate studies, you must have an overall average of at least A- on **all graduate courses completed**
* If master’s or doctoral degree marks used for calculating the grade point average (GPA) are not available (i.e., courses graded on a pass/fail basis), then the most recently available undergraduate or graduate marks must be used

# APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Applicants must submit the following:

1. Scholarly work that demonstrating excellence in research focusing on understanding, prevention, and/or intervention in the area of violence against women and girls and/or against trans and gender non-binary people. The scholarly work should have been produced while at U of T.

Please include (a) an abstract describing the research and (b) a copy of the paper, chapter and/or publication best exemplifying the work.

1. A copy of your transcript.

An ACORN print-out is sufficient for the U of T transcript. If you studied at any other institution, please provide a copy of your previous institution’s official transcript. You may be able to obtain a copy of your previous institution’s official transcript from your U of T graduate unit

1. Your resume/CV
2. One letter of reference from a U of T faculty member familiar with your academic work, or an academic supervisor addressing the merit of the applicant’s research (one page maximum).

# EVALUATION CRITERIA

Applicants for this Award will be assessed on their scholarly talent, the excellence of their work, written letter of support, and the contribution to the advancement of knowledge about this area.

**The deadline for submissions is October 25, 2021.**

Please direct inquiries to: awards.uoft@utoronto.ca

**Recipients of this award will be recognized at the annual St. George campus event to mark the National Day of Remembrance & Action Against Women (December 6th).** Below we are requesting your consent for your name to be announced and to appear in U of T news coverage of the event. If you have any questions or concerns about this, please contact vp.students@utoronto.ca

Freedom of Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

The University of Toronto respects your privacy. The information on this form is collected pursuant to section 2 (14) of the University of Toronto Act, 1971. It is collected for the purpose of administering admission, registration, academic programs, university-related student activities, activities of student societies, financial assistance and awards, graduation and university advancement, and for the purpose of statistical reporting to government agencies. At all times it will be protected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. If you have questions, please refer to [www.utoronto.ca/privacy o](http://www.utoronto.ca/privacy)r contact the University’s Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Office at 416-946-3585, Room 201, McMurrich Building, 12 Queen’s Park Crescent, Toronto, ON, M5S 1A1.

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Please complete this form and attach the following:

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All documentation must be submitted to:

awards.uoft@utoronto.ca in PDF format.

# Applicant Information

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| Last Name/Surname:  |   |
| First Name/Given Name:  |   |
| U of T Student Number:  |   |
| Faculty/ Department  |   |

I consent to my nomination for the University of Toronto Award for Scholarly Achievement in the Area of Gender-Based Violence and I acknowledge the use of personal and academic information for the purposes set out above.

I understand that if I receive this award a brief citation will be read during the awards program summarizing my accomplishments and this information will be available to the public. I affirm the accuracy of all information I provided, including the CGPA.

 Student Name (Please Print):

 Student signature:

 Date: