

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH GRADUATE STUDIES
ONTARIO GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2023-2024

DEPARTMENTAL DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: The deadline for ALL Department of English OGS submissions (Domestic & International) is 5:00 pm Wednesday, January 18, 2023.

The Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OGS) program is administered by individual universities. The University of Toronto is responsible for the awarding of the Ontario Government Scholarships held at U of T, and provides a centralized on-line application which is accessible via the School of Graduate Studies website. *(Note: Students must submit an OGS application to each institution for which they are seeking admission. OGS awards are no longer transferrable from one university to another.)*

At the University of Toronto the OGS application form is now on-line and available directly from the School of Graduate Studies (SGS) website: <https://www.sgs.utoronto.ca/awards/ontario-graduate-scholarship/>

1. Students are limited in the number of years that they may hold an OGS. Master's students may receive the scholarship for a maximum of 2 years and doctoral students may receive the scholarship for a maximum of 4 years. No student can hold the award (or a combination of SSHRC/OGS awards) for greater than 6 years during his/her lifetime. Please see the SGS website for more information about restrictions and to determine if you are eligible to apply for and hold an OGS award.
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2. Applicants must be in good standing with the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP). Applicants who have defaulted on a Canada or Ontario Student Loan or have failed to make satisfactory repayment on a loan overpayment are ineligible. Students who have never applied for OSAP are in good standing.
3. Applicants must be Canadian citizens, permanent residents, or protected persons; also, foreign students who are studying in Ontario under a temporary resident visa (student study permit) are eligible for a set number of International OGS awards. Applicants must be registered or intend to register in an eligible program on a full-time basis. An eligible program is defined as a full-time program of study of two or three terms at the University of Toronto leading to a graduate degree. A full-time student is one who is in at least 60% of a full course load (40% for students with a permanent disability) or as defined by their institution.
4. At minimum, applicants must meet the OGS academic requirement of an A- (80%) average. If entering the first or second year of graduate studies, at the time of application the student must have an overall average of at least A-, or the equivalent, on the last 20 one-term/semester courses, or the equivalent, completed. If the student is entering the third year of graduate studies, at the time of application the student must have an overall average of at least A-, or the equivalent, on all graduate courses completed. If master's or doctoral degree marks used for calculating an applicant's grade point average (GPA) are not available (for example, courses were graded on a pass-fail basis), then the university will use the most recently available undergraduate or graduate marks to calculate a student's GPA.
5. The following materials are required:
 - the on-line OGS application form (please read through the instructions and requirements carefully before starting);
 - two academic references (referees will be required to submit on-line);
 - complete scanned official transcripts (**NOT PHOTOGRAPHED WITH A CELLPHONE**) from **ALL post-secondary institutions INCLUDING your current year, even if you are at the University of Toronto** (NOTE: if you are currently a U of T, you may upload a PDF of your **ACADEMIC HISTORY** from ACORN and/or request a scanned copy of non-U of T transcripts that were already submitted to the Department of English and are on file in our offices. Please contact marguerite.perry@utoronto.ca for assistance).
 - a plan of study (approx. 500 words or 1 page, with an additional 1 page for works cited);
 - previous awards/publications/conference/research experience.
6. The **START DATE of all awards should be September 1st, 2023.**
7. The application procedure for students (with additional instructions for completing the new on-line form) is available on the OGS website here: <https://www.sgs.utoronto.ca/awards/ontario-graduate-scholarship/>

For any questions regarding the Ontario Graduate Scholarship application, or if you experience technical problems while completing the form, please contact Stacey Kwan at ogs@utoronto.ca and or Marguerite at marguerite.perry@utoronto.ca.

Please note that it is your responsibility to "Submit" the application when all components are completed. You will need to keep checking your on- line application to make sure that your referees have uploaded their letters.

Only after all components are completed should you then submit your application.