Financial Support for Post-Secondary Education

Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)
Must be enrolled in full-time studies (60% or more of a full course load). If you have a disability, you may be considered a full-time student if taking 40% of a full course load. osap.gov.on.ca

Band Funding
Contact your Band's Education Office to inquire about funding to support post-secondary education.

University of Toronto Advanced Planning for Students (UTAPS)
Must be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or protected person; enrolled full-time in an eligible program; eligible for Canadian government financial aid, such as OSAP or Band funding. Application due November 1 or February 1 annually. *You will automatically be considered if you are receiving OSAP. If receiving other provincial/territorial or band funding, you must apply. future.utoronto.ca/finances/financial-aid/university-of-toronto-financial-aid-utaps

Ontario Indigenous Travel Grant
Students may receive funding for up to 4 one-way trips for themselves, or 2 one-way trips per person if relocating with spouse and/or children. Must self-identify as Indigenous on OSAP profile; live in a remote First Nations community (designated as Zone 3, or Zone 4 by Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada, similarly remote or fly-in communities may be considered). Student has qualified for OSAP with a provincial financial need of at least $1. osap.gov.on.ca/OSAPPortal/en/A-ZListofAid/PRDR019262.html

*Some application deadlines are estimated. Check Admissions and Awards or faculty websites for up to date information. In many cases, late applications will not be considered.
Undergraduate awards and bursaries

**Admissions Scholarship**
Awarded to full time Indigenous undergraduate students on the basis of financial need. Recipients must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents; entering any first-entry program at the University of Toronto; minimum admission average of 92%. 
[future.utoronto.ca/finances/scholarships/admission-scholarships-faq](future.utoronto.ca/finances/scholarships/admission-scholarships-faq)

**First Nations House/Indigenous Students Bursary**
Available to Indigenous students studying full/part-time at the undergrad, graduate, or professional level. Based on financial need. Speak to Coordinator of Academic Supports for information on eligibility and application. Application due November 1 or February 1 annually. *Emergency assistance may be available outside these dates.*

**Bennett Scholars Bursary**
Awarded to Indigenous, full time, undergraduate students on the basis of financial need. Recipients must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents. Completed application form along with supporting documentation can be submitted to the Coordinator of Academic Supports at First Nations House, or submitted online. Applications due November 1 annually.
[future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/bennett-scholars](future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/bennett-scholars)

**Métis Nation of Ontario Bursary**
Awarded to Métis students studying full/part-time at U of T, and demonstrate financial need. Applications due November 1st annually.
[future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/metis-nation-of-ontario-bursary](future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/metis-nation-of-ontario-bursary)

**Rosalind Murray Bradford Scholarship**
Awarded to an undergraduate Indigenous student entering second, third, or fourth year of study. Student must be registered in an undergraduate program and have obtained at least second-class honour standing in previous year. Financial status may be considered. Supporting documentation required (see full award profile). Application due November 1 annually.
[future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/rosalind-murray-bradford-scholarship](future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/rosalind-murray-bradford-scholarship)

**Dr. Lillian McGregor Indigenous Award of Excellence and the Marilyn Van Norman Indigenous Student Leadership Award**
To be awarded to Indigenous students studying full/part-time on the basis of financial need and Ontario residency. Preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate a contribution to the Indigenous community through volunteerism and involvement with FNH and/or Indigenous student group(s) at U of T (ISA, ISSU, IEN, SAGE, ILSA). Students will be considered for both awards. Application with supporting documents due February 1 annually.
The President’s Award for the Outstanding Indigenous Student of the Year
The award will be given to an Indigenous student (First Nations Status, Non-Status, Métis, and Inuit). The recipient will be selected on the basis of academic achievement, and previous and/or intended contribution to the Indigenous community. Student must be studying full-time and involved in course work. Application with supporting documents due June 1 annually.

Undergraduate awards by college or discipline

Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students Indigenous Bursary
Available to part-time undergraduate students on all three campuses of U of T. Provided on the basis of financial need as determined by the Office of Enrolment Services. Please contact Member Services Coordinator at services@apus.ca with questions. Fall and winter applications due October and January; Summer applications due May and July annually.

City of Toronto Scholarships for Indigenous Students Studying in Health Professions
Awarded to Indigenous students studying in any of the health professional programs, undergraduate or graduate, on the basis of financial need, academic merit and demonstrated community leadership skills. Application due November 1 annually.

Edward and Dorothy Dawson Award for Indigenous Students - Science
Preference given to Indigenous students enrolled in science-related discipline on the basis of financial need. If no suitable candidates can be found, consideration will be given to Indigenous students in any discipline on the basis of financial need. Application due February 1 annually.

Evelyn Florence and William Leonard Prideaux Award – Science, Architecture or Wycliffe
Awarded to an Inuit or Indigenous student from the North West Territories or Moosonee area who is entering or registered in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering,
John H. Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape and Design or Wycliffe College. To be awarded to a student who is a member of Scouts Canada, on the basis of scouting service and experience. [future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/florence-evelyn-and-william-leonard-prideaux-award](future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/florence-evelyn-and-william-leonard-prideaux-award)

**The Savan Award – Transitional Year Programme**
Open to Indigenous students enrolled in the Transitional Year Programme. Students must be in good academic standing, demonstrate financial need and will be continuing with their academic studies at the University of Toronto.

**Tom Mitchinson and David Connolly Award – Woodsworth College**
This scholarship is awarded to an outstanding first-year Indigenous Woodsworth College student, studying full-time in the social sciences or humanities. Recipients must have been identified as having financial need, be Ontario residents and not receiving band funding. This award is renewable for four years contingent on full-time status and maintaining a grade-point average of 3.0 until graduation.

**Carter Memorial Scholarship**
Full time Indigenous student (First Nations Status, Non-Status, Inuit or Métis) enrolled in the 2nd year of a B.Sc in Nursing program, min. GPA of 3.0. Application due mid-October annually. [cambriancollege.ca/externalawards](cambriancollege.ca/externalawards)

**General Motors Scholarships/Grants – Victoria College**
Open to newly admitted Indigenous Students registered at Victoria College. To be awarded on the basis of financial need and academic excellence and may be renewed for second, third, and fourth year if the status of “In Good Standing” is maintained. For more information, contact the Victoria College Registrar at [vic.awards@utoronto.ca](mailto:vic.awards@utoronto.ca).

**The General Motors Bursary for Indigenous Students – Victoria College**
Indigenous students at Victoria College have access to several scholarships/ bursaries. Amount varies based on financial need. Applications due November 1st and February 1st annually. [vic.utoronto.ca/current-students/finances](vic.utoronto.ca/current-students/finances)

**The Member of the Class of 1935 Bursary – Victoria College**
Indigenous students at Victoria College have access to several scholarships and bursaries. Amount varies based on financial need. Applications due: November 1 and February 1. [vic.utoronto.ca/current-students/finances](vic.utoronto.ca/current-students/finances)
Graduate awards and bursaries

First Nations House/Indigenous Students Bursary
Available to Indigenous students studying full/part-time at the undergrad, graduate, or professional level. Based on financial need. Speak to Coordinator of Academic Supports for information on eligibility and application. Application due November 1 or February 1 annually. “Emergency assistance may be available outside these dates.”

Gladys Watson Aboriginal Education Award
Awarded to Indigenous students (First Nations, Status, Non-Status, Métis and Inuit) enrolled in graduate programs at the master’s or doctoral level, and second-entry professional programs. Full/part-time students in these programs are eligible to apply, with preference given to those students who demonstrate financial need. Application due November 1 annually. 
future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/gladys-watson-indigenous-education-fund

Métis Nation of Ontario Bursary
Awarded to Métis students studying full/part-time at U of T, and demonstrate financial need. Applications due November 1 annually.
future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/metis-nation-of-ontario-bursary

Dr. Lillian McGregor Indigenous Award of Excellence and the Marilyn Van Norman Indigenous Student Leadership Award
To be awarded to Indigenous students studying full/part-time on the basis of financial need and Ontario residency. Preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate a contribution to the Indigenous community through volunteerism and involvement with FNH and/or Indigenous student group at U of T (i.e. ISA, ISSU, IEN, SAGE, ILSA). Students will be considered for both awards. Application with supporting documents due February 1 annually.
future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/dr-lillian-mcgregor-indigenous-award-of-excellence-marilyn-van-norman-indigenous-student-leadership-award

SGS Indigenous Graduate Travel Award
Provides financial assistance to Indigenous graduate students to participate in educational and experiential learning in Canada or abroad, in activities specifically focused on Indigenous student or education issues. For more info contact sage@utoronto.ca
sgs.utoronto.ca/awards/sgs-indigenous-graduate-travel-award

The President’s Award for the Outstanding Indigenous Student of the Year
The award will be given to an Indigenous student (First Nations Status, Non-Status, Métis, and Inuit). The recipient will be selected on the basis of academic achievement, and previous and/or intended contribution to the Indigenous community. Student must
be studying full-time and involved in course work. Application with supporting documents due June 1 annually. future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/president-award-for-the-outstanding-indigenous-student-of-the-year

Graduate awards by subject or professional faculty

City of Toronto Scholarships for Indigenous Students Studying in Health Professions
Awarded to Indigenous students studying in any of the health professional programs, undergraduate or graduate, on the basis of financial need, academic merit and demonstrated community leadership skills. Application due November 1 annually. future.utoronto.ca/scholarships/city-of-toronto-scholarships-for-indigenous-students-studying-in-health-professions

Indigenous Scholarship for OISE Students
Awarded annually to an Indigenous student registered on a full-time basis in a graduate degree program at OISE. Open to Indigenous candidates (Inuit, status or non-status First Nation, Métis) at OISE with preference given to new applicants. The recipient will be selected on the basis of academic merit and previous and intended contributions to community. Value $7,500. oise.utoronto.ca/oise/Current_Students/Graduate_Student_Funding/Scholarship_Opportunities/OISE_Internal_Awards/index.html

Indigenous Student Bursary Fund for OISE Students
An emergency bursary available to all full-time Indigenous candidates that demonstrate financial need. A letter outlining emergency needs should be sent to ien@utoronto.ca. oise.utoronto.ca/oise/Current_Students/Graduate_Student_Funding/Scholarship_Opportunities/OISE_Internal_Awards/index.html

Grace Buller Indigenous Student Scholarship (Ontario Library Association)
Open to Indigenous candidates (First Nations Status, Non-Status, Métis, or Inuit) enrolled in the Master of Information program. Based on academic merit. Previous and intended contributions to community considered with preference given to new applicants. Value estimated at $10,000. ischool.utoronto.ca/current-students/money-matters/awards/buller
Colonel F.A. Tilston Admission Scholarship - Faculty of Pharmacy
Awarded to an Indigenous student entering first year Pharmacy, with highest admission index, and has not won an admission award of greater value. For more info contact 416-978-2889. pharmacy.utoronto.ca/apply-studentsupport/undergraduate-awards-financial-assistance/admission-awards

Roman Paduch Scholarship Fund – Faculty of Law and Medicine
To be awarded to one or more Indigenous student(s) on admission to the Faculty of Law and/or the Faculty of Medicine. Student(s) will be considered on the basis of financial need and demonstrated contribution, commitment and interest in the Indigenous community. For more info, contact the coordinator of academic supports at FNH.

The June Callwood Programme for Indigenous Law Students – Faculty of Law
Up to two summer fellowships of $10,000 each for Indigenous law students to work with community organizations on Indigenous legal issues. For more info contact the Faculty of Law Indigenous Initiatives Office at 416-978-2583 or iio.law@utoronto.ca. law.utoronto.ca/programs-centres/programs/june-callwood-program-in-aboriginal-law/aboriginal-community-internships

Wilson G. Harron Trust – Faculty of Dentistry
Awarded to Indigenous students (First Nations Status, Non-Status, Métis, Inuit) entering or attending an undergraduate, graduate or postgraduate program in the Faculty of Dentistry. Renewal of the award for the duration of the program is dependent on maintenance of satisfactory standing. dentistry.utoronto.ca/students/current-students/graduate-students/scholarship-and-awards

The Chung Canadian Indigenous Award at the Rotman School of Management
Awarded to an Indigenous (First Nations, Status, Non-Status, Métis, Inuit) student on the basis of academic achievement and financial need. Preference given to students with demonstrated leadership or community involvement. inside.rotman.utoronto.ca/registrar/student-finances/financial-aid-and-awards/awards/awards-detailed-descriptions

Award for Indigenous Students in Comparative Literature – M.A.
Scholarship of $10,000 offered to a new Indigenous (First Nations status, non-status, Inuit, Métis) full-time student registered in the Comparative Literature’s one-year M.A. program. Recipient will be selected on the basis of academic merit. Applications due December annually. complit.utoronto.ca/application

Award for Indigenous Students in Comparative Literature – Ph.D.
Scholarship of $10,000 per year for 4.5 years will be offered to an Indigenous (First Nations status, non-status, Inuit, Métis) student registered on a full-time basis in the
Comparative Literature’s Ph.D. program. The recipient will be selected on the basis of academic merit. Applications due December annually.
complit.utoronto.ca/application

Faculty of Social Work-Chancellor Rose Wolf Scholarship for Social Work
One award to a registered M.S.W. or Ph. D. Indigenous student based on proven scholastic ability. Financial need may be a consideration.
socialwork.utoronto.ca/current-students/financial-support

The Jean Avon Shek Scholarship
Awarded to a MSW or PhD student on the basis of financial need and demonstrated academic achievement at the Faculty of Social Work. Preference to be given to an Indigenous student in community practice or to a student from Africa, Asia, or Latin America.
socialwork.utoronto.ca/current-students/financial-support

Beutel, Ridgewood, Rodgers Aboriginal Scholarships
Awarded to Indigenous students registered in the M.S.W. Program at the Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work, on the basis of financial need. This award is intended for students in the Advanced Aboriginal Practice Initiative Program (AAPI).
socialwork.utoronto.ca/current-students/financial-support

Ridgewood Aboriginal Scholarship
Awarded to an Indigenous student(s) or a student(s) working with Indigenous Communities who is registered in the MSW or PhD Program at the Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work.
socialwork.utoronto.ca/current-students/financial-support

The Barbara Greene Award
Awarded to a full-time M.S.W. or PhD student at the Faculty of Social Work on the basis of financial need and demonstrated academic achievement.
socialwork.utoronto.ca/current-students/financial-support

Grace Chum Scholarship
Awarded on the basis of financial need to student(s) registered in the MSW program. Preference will be given to Indigenous students or students focusing on Indigenous Studies.
socialwork.utoronto.ca/current-students/financial-support

Arthur Dalfen ITR Scholarship
Awarded on the basis of academic merit to MSW student(s) in the Indigenous Trauma and Resiliency field of study.
socialwork.utoronto.ca/current-students/financial-support
Fu Hui Education Foundation Community Intervention Awards
Awarded on the basis of financial need to full-time Indigenous students in either the first or second year of the MSW Indigenous Trauma and Resiliency field of study.  
[socialwork.utoronto.ca/current-students/financial-support](http://socialwork.utoronto.ca/current-students/financial-support)

External awards and bursaries

**Indigenous Affairs & Northern Development Canada – Indigenous Bursaries**
The Indigenous Bursary Search Tool is a searchable list of more than 750 bursaries, scholarships, and incentives across Canada offered by governments, universities and colleges, private and public companies, individual Canadians, organizations and others.  
[sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1351687337141/1531406419657](http://sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1351687337141/1531406419657)

**Miziwe Biik Post-Secondary & Apprenticeships Bursaries**
Students must be First Nation, Métis, or Inuit, a resident of the Greater Toronto Area, a current student in a post-secondary accredited institution or proof of enrollment for next year.  
[miziwebiik.com/services/awards-and-bursaries](http://miziwebiik.com/services/awards-and-bursaries)

**Indspire**
Indspire offers financial awards to First Nations (status and non-status), Inuit and Métis students. Application due: August 1, November 1, February 1 annually.  
[indspire.ca/programs/students/bursaries-scholarships](http://indspire.ca/programs/students/bursaries-scholarships)