

# SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

The [School of Graduate Studies \(SGS\)](#) is the gateway to all **graduate programs** at the University of Toronto. U of T offers approximately [280 graduate programs](#) covering nearly 400 areas of study. Any exchange student wanting to do graduate-level course work or research at any faculty or department at U of T must apply to SGS.

## OPTION ONE: RESEARCH ONLY

If you intend to do **research only** while on exchange at U of T, your admission will be granted through the [International Visiting Graduate Research \(IVGS\)](#) program. All IVGS placements begin with a key relationship: students need to find a qualified supervisor willing to oversee their research. Once a U of T supervisor has been established, the application can begin. Please visit the [IVGS program page](#) for details on finding a faculty supervisor and application instructions.

After you have been admitted, please email your admission letter to [inbound.exchange@utoronto.ca](mailto:inbound.exchange@utoronto.ca). If you have been nominated for exchange by your home institution, we will apply a fee-waiver for the IVGS fees.

For questions pertaining to the IVGS program, please contact [sgs.international@utoronto.ca](mailto:sgs.international@utoronto.ca).

## OPTION TWO: FULL-TIME COURSE WORK FOR CREDIT

The eligibility, restrictions, and application information below pertains to exchange students wanting to graduate course-work at U of T. Please note that graduate exchange applications are considered on an individual basis by each graduate unit. Meeting the minimum eligibility does not guarantee admission. If your application is not accepted by a graduate unit, we do our best to find an alternative option for you, including coming as an undergraduate student instead.

### LOCATION(S)

Most graduate programs are located on the St. George (downtown) campus, with the exception of the Institute of Management & Innovation Program, which is at our Mississauga (UTM) campus, and the Master of Accounting and Finance Program (MAccFin), which is at our Scarborough (UTSC) campus.

### ELIGIBILITY

Graduate exchange students doing **course work** while on exchange need to be registered in the equivalent of a full-time course load, as defined by the graduate unit/department.

To apply for graduate exchange course work at U of T, you must be enrolled in, or admitted to, a similar graduate program at your home institution. You also need to have achieved a **mid-B average in the final year of your undergraduate studies**. To confirm whether your degree meets the SGS minimum requirements, please use the [International Credentials Equivalencies tool](#).

Before applying for exchange, **you need to determine the graduate unit (department, faculty, or centre) and/or program that offers** the courses you would like to take at U of T. You will take all/most of your courses from one “home” department. **You cannot have a collaborative specialization (CS) as your home department.**

STEP ONE: Use [this list](#) to determine the area of study that best matches your program of study at your home institution.

STEP TWO: Click on the program link to find the link to the departmental website.

STEP THREE: Use the departmental website to find graduate courses offered by the department.

STEP FOUR: Include your desired home department/program in your Statement of Intent when applying. Your desired home department should match the list of courses you submit in your application.

## **RESTRICTIONS**

Any graduate programs offered by the following faculties/departments are not open to exchange students:

- Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing
- Department of Applied Psychology and Human Development (APHD) (at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education – OISE)
- Department of Anthropology
- Department of Cell and Systems Biology
- Cinema Studies Institute
- Department of Nutritional Sciences
- Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy
- Department of Physical Therapy

The following programs, including Progressive Professional Programs, are not open to exchange students:

- Master of Teaching (MT)
- Master of Law (LLM)
- Master of Financial Economics (MFE)
- Master of Finance (MFin)
- Master of Mathematical Finance (MMF)
- Master of Financial Risk Management (MFRM)
- Master of Psychological Clinical Science (at UTSC)
- Master of Management & Professional Accounting (at UTM)

Master of Business Administration (MBA): Rotman School of Management operates its own MBA exchange program. Please consult their [website](#) for more information.

#### **APPLICATION**

**After you have been nominated by your home institution**, you will be invited to apply for exchange at U of T via our online [student application portal](#). The School of Graduate Studies requires the following documents: