

# 2024-25 OSOTF Award Announcement

## Award Overview

Student Deadline to Graduate Unit:	March 22, 2024   11:59pm
Level of Study:	Master's or doctoral (depending on awards' criteria)
Required Legal Status:	Domestic or International (depending on awards' criteria)
RHSE Results:	August 2024

## Purpose

Through the generous support of numerous donors, several endowed awards have been established at the Temerty Faculty of Medicine. This year, 22 awards with individual eligibility criteria and values are offered within the OVDRHSE OSOTF and Other Endowed Awards Competition.

## Eligibility to Apply

- Awards are open to U of T graduate students (primarily thesis-based MSc and PhD in the Temerty Faculty of Medicine, in year 1-2 of their M.Sc. or year 1-5 of their Ph.D. in 2024-25).
- Awards categorized as "OSOTF" are only open to eligible applicants who must also meet the following criteria:
  1. Demonstrate financial need for the upcoming academic year through the completion of the *OVDRHSE OSOTF Financial Needs Assessment online form*;
  2. Are Canadian citizens, permanent residents of Canada or protected persons under subsection 95(2) of the [Immigration and Refugee Protection Act \(Canada\)](#) at the time of the application; and
  3. Are residents of Ontario at the time of the application, as defined by one of the following criteria:
    - Student has always lived in Ontario;
    - Ontario is the last province in which student has lived for 12 months in a row without being a full-time postsecondary student; or
    - Student lives in Ontario now and has lived in Canada for less than 12 months in a row.

### **If student is married/common-law, student can be considered an Ontario resident if:**

- Spouse has always lived in Ontario; or
- Ontario is the last province in which spouse has lived for 12 months in a row without being a full-time postsecondary student; or
- **Both** of these statements are true:
  - o Student lives in Ontario now; and
  - o Student and spouse have lived in Canada for less than 12 months in a row.

### **If student qualifies as a dependent student, student is considered an Ontario resident if:**

- Ontario is the last province in which parent(s) have lived for at least 12 months in a row; or
- **Both** of these statements are true:

- o Student lives in Ontario now; and
  - o Student and parent(s) have lived in Canada for less than 12 months in a row.
- Awards categorized as “Other Endowed Awards” do not have the Canadian citizenship requirement.
- Each individual award has additional specific eligibility requirements.
- The funding period is for the 2024-25 academic year, generally September 1, 2024, to August 31, 2025.
- OSOTF and/or other endowed funding may be provided on top of the external and/or internal awards, up to the amount of the total base funding commitment offered by the student's Graduate Unit.

## Application Process

Applications will be by electronic submission using the [OVDRHSE online application system](#). On the left-hand menu, click on ‘**New Form**’ and look for ‘**OSOTF and Other Endowed Awards**

**Competition**’. Application, competition guidelines, and awards list (with a detailed description of the awards) are posted [here](#).

## Contacts & Resources

For more information, visit the [OSOTF and Other Endowed Awards webpage](#).

Please direct questions regarding the OVDRHSE OSOTF & Other Endowed Awards competition or nomination process to your graduate unit. Questions regarding the administration of the award at OVDRHSE and technical support for the application may be directed to:

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