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At the Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Toronto, we are providing the cutting-edge education that ensures our students graduate fully equipped to meet the challenges of an evolving scope of practice and ready to become tomorrow's leaders in the profession.

We are also working hard to continue to attract the best and brightest students and ensure no promising student is unable to pursue their education because of an inability to pay.



Today, U of T supports more students from lower-income households and allots more dollars from our operating budget to bursaries and scholarships than any other Ontario university.

ACCESSIBLE EDUCATION

To say you graduated from the University of Toronto's Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy has always meant that you graduated from one of the top pharmacy faculties in the world. However, one thing that drastically differentiates students entering our Faculty today is the cost of a pharmacy education.

Since the 1990's, the cost of a pharmacy education has risen dramatically in step with declining government funding.

To support the growth of the next generation of pharmacists, financial assistance for our students is a top priority of our Faculty.

Accessible excellence is also a core value at the University of Toronto. The majority of first-year Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP) recipients at our university come from households with parental incomes of less than \$60,000 per year. Accessible excellence at U of T is built on a legacy of student support provided by alumni and friends.

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With tuition costs at \$20,000 per year, along with living expenses, our students must prepare for \$30,000 per year in total costs.

The Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy provides financial support to our students in the form of a grant, which is available to students who qualify for the OSAP Program. Even with a combination of OSAP and Faculty grants, most students will face a financial shortfall that must be covered through a mix of bank loans and bursaries. Bursaries are a type of student award based on demonstrated financial need and are awarded to students upon entry as well as in all four years of the PharmD Program.

By significantly increasing the size and number of bursaries available, we can continue to attract the best and brightest students and ensure they receive the finest education from leaders in the pharmacy profession.

DONOR SUPPORT

Each year close to 600 of our PharmD students – or well over half of our 1,000 students – rely on bursaries made possible through the support of our donors. While each year we award close to **\$350,000 in donor supported bursaries**, we were only able to provide each student with an average of \$1,000 in additional financial support.

With your support, we can ensure students can focus on their education rather than worrying about how they will pay for it.

There are two ways to create and name a bursary:

Endowed award: a pledge of \$5,000 per year for five (5) years (for a total gift of \$25,000) to name the award to be given out to students in **perpetuity in your name**.

- Once the amount of your donation reaches \$25,000 the award will generate an annual payout to each student recipient of approximately \$1,000;
- Once established, an award can be enhanced through further contributions, building both the value of the award and the annual payment made to students each year.

Expendable award: a gift of \$2,500 per year for five (5) years (for a total gift of \$12,500) to name an expendable award.

- The student recipient will receive \$2,500 per year.



LEVERAGE YOUR DONATION

The University of Toronto offers the opportunity to dramatically leverage your support of our students through the Boundless Promise Program. We invite you to create and name a special **Boundless Promise Student Bursary** where the income earned on your endowed donation is matched dollar-for-dollar by the university.

Once the award has been fully funded, your award will generate \$2,000 for the student recipient rather than the \$1,000 traditionally paid out from an endowed award.

Close to 80% of our students rely on OSAP funding. But less than 10% have their financial needs fully met by OSAP and rely on our grant program and donor-supported awards.



“I am grateful for the Class of 7T8 award as I will be able to learn and practice pharmacy without financial stressors or pressures. Because of this award, I can dedicate more of my time to exploring extracurricular avenues both within and outside of the Faculty such as research, volunteering and clubs. I am inspired to push boundaries and make a greater, more positive impact within the profession.”

- Julia Liu, Class of 7T8 Award Recipient

We invite you to join the Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy in ensuring our students have the resources they need to pursue a career in pharmacy. Because of your generous support, students will be able to focus on their studies rather than worrying about how they will pay for them.

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