

## ***Dean's Undergraduate Student Summer Research Pivot Fellowship***

### **2026 Call for Applications**

The 2026 Dean's Undergraduate Student Summer Research Pivot Fellowship competition is open for applications. These awards recognize academic merit and support research projects where students are co-supervised (i.e., collaborative projects between two University of Toronto faculty members where at least one faculty member must be from the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering). Existing collaborative projects are eligible; however, preference will be given to new collaborations. Supervisors must be faculty members; post-doctoral fellows and graduate students will not be considered as co-supervisors.

For more information, applicants are encouraged to contact Samantha Clarizio, Undergraduate Research and Global Opportunities Coordinator ([undergrad.research@engineering.utoronto.ca](mailto:undergrad.research@engineering.utoronto.ca)).

**Total Award Value:** \$8,000 CAD, tenable at U of T (paid in Canadian funds). Each award is valued at \$6,000 CAD; supervisors must collectively contribute an additional \$2,000 CAD.

**Term:** Summer 2026; 12 to 16 weeks (May to August)

**Awards to be allocated:** Up to 16 fellowships will be awarded during this year's competition.

#### **Award Criteria:**

- Recipients must not hold any other summer research stipend or fellowship support.
- Recipients are also expected to actively participate in the [FASE Undergraduate Summer Research Program \(USRP\)](#) between May to August and present their research at the [Undergraduate Engineering Research Day \(UnERD\) Conference](#) (expected to take place in mid-to-late August 2026). As such, research must occur in Toronto, ON.
- Recipients will be required to submit a one-page report on the research project and their contributions to the Dean of Engineering at the end of summer.

**Eligibility:** All Engineering undergraduate students, international and domestic, are eligible to apply. Students currently on PEY are eligible pending completion of their position by April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026. *Successful international candidates must hold a valid student visa for the duration of the fellowship.*

**Application Due Date: Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026, 11:59pm ET**

#### **Application Process:**

Your application package must include the following, combined in **one single PDF document**:

- Completed Application Form (see below)
- Current CV
- Academic History – unofficial print-out from ACORN (your name must be visible on the ACORN print-out)

Applicants must submit their application package as a **single PDF document** online at <https://forms.office.com/r/hCFvE4hLLZ> **before the deadline on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026, 11:59pm ET.** *Note: incomplete applications will not be considered.*

**Award Notification:** Selected recipients will be notified by early April 2026.

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**SECTION 1: APPLICANT & SUPERVISOR DETAILS**

Student's Given Name	Student's Surname	Student Number
Student UToronto E-mail	Proposed Start and End Dates of Research Tenure	
Co-Supervisor 1: Name and Title		
E-mail of Co-Supervisor 1	U of T Department of Co-Supervisor 1	
Co-Supervisor 2: Name and Title		
E-mail of Co-Supervisor 2	U of T Department of Co-Supervisor 2	
Is this a new research collaboration? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

**SECTION 2: PROPOSED RESEARCH PROJECT**

Title of Proposed Research Project:
Outline of Proposed Research Project
Briefly outline the student's role.
How will the student be co-supervised?

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**SECTION 3: SIGNATURES**

**Student:** I certify that the information provided in my application package (including the completed application form, resume, and unofficial ACORN Academic History) is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also confirm that I will actively participate in the Undergraduate Summer Research Program (USRP) and present my research at the Undergraduate Engineering Research Day (UnERD) conference if awarded the Dean's Undergraduate Summer Research Pivot Fellowship.

Print Name	Signature	Date
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**Research Co-Supervisors:** We hereby certify that the student applicant will participate in research and development activities during the proposed period of tenure. We also confirm that we will contribute an additional \$2,000 CAD if the student is awarded a \$6,000 CAD Dean's Undergraduate Student Summer Research Pivot Fellowship (i.e. total award value at \$8,000 to the student).

Print Name	Signature	Date
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