



University of Toronto  
Faculty of Applied Science & Engineering

## APPLICATION FOR FIRST-YEAR SUMMER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

**DEADLINE: [Monday, February 23, 2026 at 11:59pm ET.](#)**

### PROGRAM INFORMATION AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The First Year Office is offering up to five First-Year Summer Research Fellowships to support first-year students within the Faculty to gain summer (May – August) experience in a research setting. The value of each Fellowship is \$7000, and further funding is at the discretion of the faculty supervisor.

These positions are open to students in year one of any of the Core 8 Programs, TrackOne, or Engineering Science. The fellowships are open to Canadian citizens, permanent residents, or visa students. Visa students are responsible for ensuring that they have the necessary clearances and permission from immigration authorities to undertake summer research positions. Students are responsible for finding a potential faculty supervisor.

We aim to support a diversity of undergraduate research with these awards. The awards will be distributed among the disciplines and programs within the Faculty. No individual professor's lab will receive more than one First Year Research Fellowship.

First-Year Summer Research Fellowship recipients must:

- Be living in Toronto/Ontario throughout the summer to conduct their research.
- Do the equivalent of full-time hours with demonstration of regular interaction with their supervisor.
- Conduct research primarily in person, working remotely only when necessary.
- Participate in at least eight sessions of the Undergraduate Summer Research Program ([USRP](#)) throughout the summer.
- Present research project at the Undergraduate Engineering Research Day ([UnERD](#)), in August 2026.
- Complete a short report at the end of the summer.



### APPLICATION MATERIALS

To apply for the First-Year Summer Research Fellowship, your application package must include the following, combined in **one PDF document**:

- ✓ **Application Form** – Including student and supervisor information and statements
- ✓ **Academic History** – Unofficial print-out from ACORN
- ✓ **A Copy of Your Most Recent Resume**

### CRITERIA

Applications are considered holistically. The research project should be a reasonable, level appropriate learning opportunity aligned with personal research interests.

Each application must be submitted *as a single PDF document* to the [2026 FASE Undergraduate Research Awards: Application Submission Form](#) before the deadline of **Monday, February 23, 2026 at 11:59pm ET**.



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**SECTION I: PERSONAL INFORMATION**  
**(TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT)**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION:**

GIVEN NAME	SURNAME
STUDENT NUMBER	DATE OF BIRTH
PHONE NUMBER	EMAIL
STATUS IN CANADA	Citizen/Permanent Resident                      Student Visa

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STATEMENT OF PERSONAL RESEARCH INTERESTS:**

Please briefly describe your personal research interests and your personal academic goals or plans for the future.



**ALIGNMENT WITH THE RESEARCH PROJECT:**

Please briefly describe how the proposed summer research project aligns with your research interests, current program of studies, and academic goals.

**ACADEMIC RECORD:**

Please attach a printout of your complete ACORN academic history. An official U of T transcript is not required.

**RESUME:**

Please share a copy of your most recent resume outlining relevant skills, qualifications, and experience (paid, unpaid, volunteer, extracurricular activities).



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**SECTION II: PROPOSED RESEARCH TOPIC**  
**(TO BE COMPLETED BY THE RESEARCH SUPERVISOR)**

Name of Supervisor
Department
Contact E-mail

**PLEASE NOTE:** If the applicant is awarded a \$7,000 First-Year Summer Research Fellowship, further funding is at your discretion. However, in most circumstances it would be expected that some additional funding would be warranted.

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**RESEARCH PROJECT INFORMATION:**

Please briefly outline the research project that the applicant will be working on.



**THE APPLICANT'S ROLE IN THIS PROJECT:**

Please briefly outline the applicant's responsibilities and duties, and the nature of the academic challenge for the applicant in the project.

**SUPPORTS FOR THE STUDENT:**

Please briefly outline the supports that you and your lab will provide to this applicant while they are working on this project.