Application Fee Waiver Program

The University of Toronto charges a $125 Application Fee to process graduate applications. The Psychology Department encourages applications from people who identify as Black, Indigenous, or People of Colour (BIPOC); a first-generation student (i.e., people who were the first in their families to attend university); LGBTQ2S+; living with disabilities; and living on a low income. The Application FeeWaiver Program is meant to further encourage these applicants by potentially waiving their application fees.

How will the Application Fee Waivers be distributed?

Application Fee Waivers will be distributed through a "Stratified Lottery" that has 3 priority waves.

Wave 1
- Black applicants
- Indigenous applicants
- Transgender applicants

Wave 2
- All applicants who identify as BIPOC
- All applicants who identify as LGBTQ2S+
- Applicants with extreme financial need (i.e., annual household income ≤ $5000 CAD)
- First-generation university students
- People living with disabilities

Wave 3
- All applicants for whom the application fee represents a financial hardship (i.e., all applicants who sign up)

How does the Stratified Lottery work?

If

- # People in Wave 1 ≥ Available (50) Application Fee Waivers
  - We will randomly select 50 people from Wave 1.
  - Lottery Ends

If

- # People in Wave 1 < Available (50) Application Fee Waivers
  - Everyone in Wave 1 gets an Application Fee Waiver.
  - Lottery Continues to Wave 2 with remaining Application Fee Waivers

If

- # People in Wave 2 ≥ Remaining Application Fee Waivers
  - We will randomly select people from Wave 2 for remaining fee waivers.
  - Lottery Ends

If

- # People in Wave 2 < Remaining Application Fee Waivers
  - Everyone in Wave 2 gets an Application Fee Waiver.
  - Lottery Continues to Wave 3 with remaining Application Fee Waivers

If

- # People in Wave 3 ≥ Remaining Application Fee Waivers
  - We will randomly select people from Wave 3 for remaining fee waivers.
  - Lottery Ends

If

- # People in Wave 3 < Remaining Application Fee Waivers
  - Everyone in Wave 3 gets an Application Fee Waiver.
  - Lottery Continues to Wave 4 with remaining Application Fee Waivers

All remaining Application Fee Waivers will be randomly distributed as reimbursements among incoming Fall 2022 graduate students who paid the application fee.

Sign up by October 25 to be included in the lottery: https://forms.office.com/r/YQSDbSaDqO