

2025 JOHN H. MOSS SCHOLARSHIP

One scholarship of \$20,000 is awarded annually to a student who demonstrates outstanding academic and extracurricular leadership.

Candidates who are interviewed as Moss Finalists, but not selected as the Moss Scholar, will be designated UTAA Scholars and will receive an honorarium and certificate in recognition of their achievements.

History of the Scholarship

The John H. Moss Scholarship was created with funds donated by friends of the late John H. Moss, KC, who created the University of Toronto scholarship in his name. These funds were supplemented by a bequest from Moss's widow, Christine Millicent Moss.

In proposing the scholarship on June 24, 1920, the friends of John H. Moss stated:

"During the years of the War, no one strove more earnestly or unselfishly than Jack Moss for the success of the cause dear to us all. After the close of active hostilities, he took up with vigour and enthusiasm the equally important task of repairing the ravages of war and securing the fruits of a lasting peace. He was one of the foremost in advancing the interests of the University of Toronto War Memorial Fund and helping our soldier students to regain their place in civil life."

Part of the significant funds raised by the War Memorial Fund created loans and scholarships for returning veterans and the families of those who had not returned. The John H. Moss Scholarship commemorates Moss's efforts to foster a supportive student experience for his peers who were affected by the war.

Selection Criteria

One scholarship will be awarded to a superior all-round student graduating with an undergraduate degree from the University of Toronto in June 2025, or who graduated in the fall of 2024, with a minimum grade point average of 3.3 (B+).

Eligibility is restricted to students in their graduating year in the Faculty of Arts and Science (St. George campus, University of Toronto Mississauga and University of Toronto Scarborough campuses) who are intending to pursue a second degree of studies at the graduate level.

In making its choice, the Selection Committee will attach particular importance to:

- Outstanding academic achievement;
- Overall demonstrated leadership beyond academic work;
- Contributions and demonstrated impact both within the University and to the community outside of the University; and
- College involvement and involvement in university activities; and

Specifically, the committee will place equal importance on:

- The candidate's dedication to enhancing the student experience of his/her peers through involvement in and contribution to a variety of aspects of university life; and
- The candidate's commitment to community outreach and involvement, as demonstrated by extracurricular activities outside of the University

Conditions to Retain the Award

In the event that the designated Moss Scholar chooses a graduate or second-degree program which requires, as a condition of admission, that the student complete a work term or apprenticeship:

The award will be deferred upon receipt of a conditional offer of admission or a statement from the admitting registrar confirming the admission requirements and length of apprenticeship or work term. This letter must be presented no later than October 1 in the calendar year following the award. The money will be paid upon proof of registration in the graduate or second-degree program.

In the event that a third-year student receives the award and does not register in either a graduate or second degree program, but registers immediately in a fourth undergraduate year in the Faculty of Arts and Science at the St. George campus, University of Toronto Mississauga or University of Toronto Scarborough campuses: The award money will then be held in abeyance until registration is completed in a recognized graduate or second degree program, no later than October 1 in the second calendar year following the year of the award.

In the event that a student designated as a John H. Moss Scholar does not register in a recognized graduate or second-degree program within the time limits specified above:

No money will be awarded, but the student's name will remain on record as the recipient of the scholarship for the year specified.

In the event that a student designated as a John H. Moss Scholar receives additional scholarships or awards which, as a condition of acceptance, place a limit on the total amount of scholarship money that a student may receive:

Receipt of the John H. Moss Scholarship will be deferred for one year. Final receipt of the Moss Scholarship funds will be contingent upon the Moss Scholar's continuing study at a recognized post-secondary institution. The interest earned on the deferred award will remain part of the capital fund from which the scholarship is generated. If, after the scholarship has been deferred, the designated Moss Scholar chooses not to pursue further studies, a \$2,000 prize will be awarded, and his or her name will remain on record as the recipient of the scholarship for the year specified. The balance of the money will remain as part of the capital fund from which the scholarship is generated.

Application Procedure

A complete application package must include the following:

- Completed application form
- Curriculum vitae outlining academic achievements, scholarships and awards received, work experience, and extracurricular involvement. Extracurricular experience should be clearly separated into two categories: inside and outside the University
- Statement of 300-800 words on your future academic and career goals

- Supporting letter of recommendation from each of the three (3) people listed below. Letters may be sent under separate cover and should be marked "CONFIDENTIAL". Only letters from the following individuals will be considered by the Moss Scholarship Committee:
 - 1. Member of the **teaching staff of the department**(s) in which you are registered
 - 2. Member of the **senior staff or teaching faculty of the college** at which you are registered, such as the Dean or Principal. (NOTE: this recommendation must be endorsed by the head of your college. The endorsement may take the form of a co-signature on the above letter, or it may be a separate letter.)
 - 3. **Student Services representative at a senior administrative level** in the University, such as a Director of Athletics, Dean of Students, Dean of Men or Women at a college, Director of Student Services, Director of Career Centre, etc.

Additional Notes

All letters of recommendation are confidential and will only be viewed by members of the selection committee. Members of other divisions who wish to view the letters for publicity or information purposes must first obtain permission from the individuals who wrote the letters.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that letters of recommendation are submitted by the deadline. The awards administrator will notify students whose application packages are incomplete. Supplementary documents will not be considered.

Deadline to submit Application and Supporting documents: Monday December 2, 2024.

Late applications will not be considered.

Further information may be obtained at the Enrolment Services <u>website</u> or contact <u>Awards</u> via email.



2025 JOHN H. MOSS SCHOLARSHIP Application Form

Please complete this form (type in the fillable fields) and attach the following:

Curriculum vitae

Typed 300 – 800-word statement describing your future academic and career goals Three (3) confidential letters of recommendation – may be sent under separate cover marked "Confidential"

Applicant Information	
Last Name/Surname	First Name/Given Name
Student Number	College
Department and Faculty	UTORmail address
Mailing Address:	

NOTE: The primary means of correspondence for this award is through your UTORmail address. Please ensure that all address information, permanent, sessional and UTORmail is up-to-date on ACORN.

Names and Contact Information of the three (3) people who are providing letters of recommendation in support of this application:

1. Member of the teaching faculty of your department:

Name	Title and Department/Faculty
Email	Phone Number

2. Member of the senior staff or teaching faculty of your college (must be endorsed by the head of your college):

Name	Title and Department/Faculty
Email	Phone Number

3. Student Services representative (e.g. Director of Athletics, Dean of Students, Director of Student Services, etc.)

Name	Title and Department/Faculty
Email	Phone Number

Declaration:

I hereby certify that the information provided on this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true and complete I authorize the release of the information contained herein, together with my transcript of grades, to the appropriate Award Selection Committee.

Failure to provide complete and accurate information may result in the cancellation of all or part of your award.

Signature of Applicant

Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

Please Submit Application and Supporting Documents by 5pm, Monday, December 2, 2024 with a subject line "2025 John H. Moss Scholarship" via email at <u>awards.uoft@utoronto.ca</u> No hardcopy will be accepted.

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