

Bridging the Gap Scholarship

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Bridging the Gap Scholarship and what does it offer?

The Bridging the Gap Scholarship is intended to recognize outstanding, Canadian undergraduate students (both academically and with respect to extra-curricular and/or community service), who identify as female, an Indigenous person, LGBTQ2+, a person with a disability, and/or a visible minority. A total of 4 Scholarships are available to be awarded for 2021.

Successful applicants will receive:

- A 4-month paid internship position with TD Securities in Sales & Trading or Investment Banking for the summer of 2021.
- The benefit of a TD Securities business mentor available to them from the time their Application is approved and who will continue to be available up to and including the end of their 4-month paid summer internship position.
- A scholarship of C\$7,500, to be applied towards their tuition and school-related expenses for the 2021/2022 school year, upon completion of the 4-month paid summer internship position.

How many Scholarships are available?

Up to 4 scholarships are available in Canada for 2021 with no obligation on TD Securities to award any of these scholarships.

Who is eligible to apply for a Scholarship?

Applicants must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Identify as one or more of the following: female, an Indigenous person, LGBTQ2+, a person with a disability, and/or a visible minority.
- Attend an accredited Canadian university as defined by the Canadian Information Centre for International Credentials (“**Approved School**”) on a full-time basis[†]. For a list of Approved Schools, please visit www.cicic.ca.
- Be enrolled in a 4- or 5-year undergraduate program at an Approved School and graduating in 2022.
- Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident of Canada, or legally eligible to work in Canada.

When can I apply for the Scholarship?

The application window will be open until July 15, 2020 5:00 pm EST.

What are the application requirements?

Eligible applicants are required to submit a completed Scholarship application form that includes:

- A maximum 300-word essay explaining their interest in a career in capital markets;
- A maximum 300-word essay describing their extra-curricular activities and/or community involvement and their commitment to same;
- A copy of their most recent unofficial university transcripts; and
- A copy of their current resume.

[†] Applicants who identify as disabled and attend an Approved School on a part-time basis are still eligible to apply for a Scholarship provided they include written confirmation from their attending physician regarding the nature of their disability and how it does not permit them to attend an Approved School on a full-time basis.

Applicants whose applications are short-listed, must attend an in-person or virtual final round interview with TD Securities. TD will cover all reasonable travelling expenses (with supporting documents) related to this interview.

How can I apply for the Scholarship?

You can apply by downloading the application form from jobs.td.com/en-CA/campus-recruitment/campus-diversity-programs and following the instructions within to complete the application.

How do I know when my application has been received?

You will receive an email from TDrecruit@tdsecurities.com confirming receipt.

How are Scholarship recipients chosen?

Applicants will be assessed based on the information provided in and with their applications including their academic record, their essay explaining their interest in a career in capital markets, and their essay describing their extra-curricular activities and/or community involvement. Short-listed candidates will also be required to complete a final round in-person or virtual interview with TD Securities. TD will cover all reasonable travelling expenses (with supporting documents) related to this interview. The decision to award a Scholarship is at the sole discretion of TD Securities.

When will a successful applicant be notified?

A successful applicant will be notified in September 2020. Please note there is no obligation on TD Securities to award any of the 4 available Scholarships.

When will the successful applicants receive their Scholarships?

Applicants will receive a scholarship payable by TD directly to the Approved School towards the Scholarship Recipient's tuition for the 2021/2022 school year (the "School Year") of exactly seven thousand five hundred Canadian dollars (C\$7,500) upon completion of the 4-month paid summer internship position, on condition that: (i) the Scholarship Recipient accept the 4-month paid summer internship; (ii) remain enrolled in the Approved School until the end of the School Year; and (iii) be eligible for graduation in 2022.

Is acceptance of the summer internship a condition of the Scholarship?

Yes, you must accept the 4-month paid summer internship to be able to receive the C\$7,500 scholarship.

Is the Scholarship taxable?

TD will report the amount of the Scholarship, including the amount paid for the 4-month summer internship position, to a Scholarship Recipient on a T4A slip.

Where can I find the complete Terms & Conditions for the Scholarship?

To review the full Scholarship Terms & Conditions visit jobs.td.com/en-CA/campus-recruitment/campus-diversity-programs. If you have further questions, please email us at TDrecruit@tdsecurities.com.