

The Hydro One Indigenous Award

Politics and Governance (BA)
Public Administration and Governance (BA)
Public Policy and Administration (MA)
Policy Studies (PhD)
Faculty of Arts, Toronto Metropolitan University

Criteria and Selection Guidelines

Source of Funds

- Hydro One Networks Inc.
- Ontario Trust for Student Support (OTSS)

Purpose

The Hydro One **Indigenous Award** will be awarded to Indigenous students to provide financial assistance and recognize the academic achievement of students in the Department of Politics and Public Administration plus the interdisciplinary Policy Studies students in the Faculty of Arts at Toronto Metropolitan University; preference will be given to students enrolled in the Public Policy and Administration (MA) and Policy Studies (PhD) programs, but the award is open to students enrolled in the Politics and Governance (BA), Public Administration and Governance (BA) Programs.

Application Due Date

Application deadline: Please refer to AwardSpring.

Award Amount

The endowed funds will provide annual awards. The actual amount will be based on the level of program of study (undergraduate/graduate) and program status (full-time/part-time) as well as dependent upon the income generated throughout the previous year.

Eligibility & Application Information

- Applicants may be self-nominated or be nominated by their peers or program faculty or staff.
- Applicants must self-identify as Indigenous.

Interested candidates may apply on AwardSpring and will need to supply:

- o A statement of interest or covering letter describing why they are an ideal candidate
- Resume
- Budget Form

The applicant/nominator should write, in confidence, to the selection committee, naming The Hydro One **Indigenous Award** and explaining how the student meets the Award criteria and how the program and the community would benefit from the student's contribution.

Students applying for this award are to submit the application package through the Toronto Metropolitan University's award management system, AwardSpring, on or before the application due date. For further details, please visit: https://www.torontomu.ca/current-students/scholarships-awards/

Application must include:

- 1. A statement confirming the applicant's identity as First Nations, Métis, or Inuit, and affiliation with a recognized Indigenous community.
- 2. A transcript showing at least a B average in the last two years of study.
- 3. Canadian citizenship, be a permanent resident or protected person.
- 4. Ontario residency (in accordance with OTSS requirements).
- 5. Demonstrated financial need (complete necessary *budget form*), as determined by Toronto Metropolitan University.
- 6. Statement of Interest which addresses the applicant's reasons for pursuing studies in the program; research interests (if applicable); how the applicant's previous studies have prepared them for their program; and how the program relates to the applicant's career or leadership objectives.

Weighting of Criteria

Criteria	Weighting
Statement of Interest/Cover Letter	70%
Resume	30%
	100%

Selection

The selection committee will review the weighted criteria (see above). The committee will prepare a ranked list of qualified Award recipients and will make the final selection of the recipient based on the weighted criteria.

If, in the opinion of the selection committee, no applicants meet the outlined criteria, the award shall not be given to any applicant that year.