



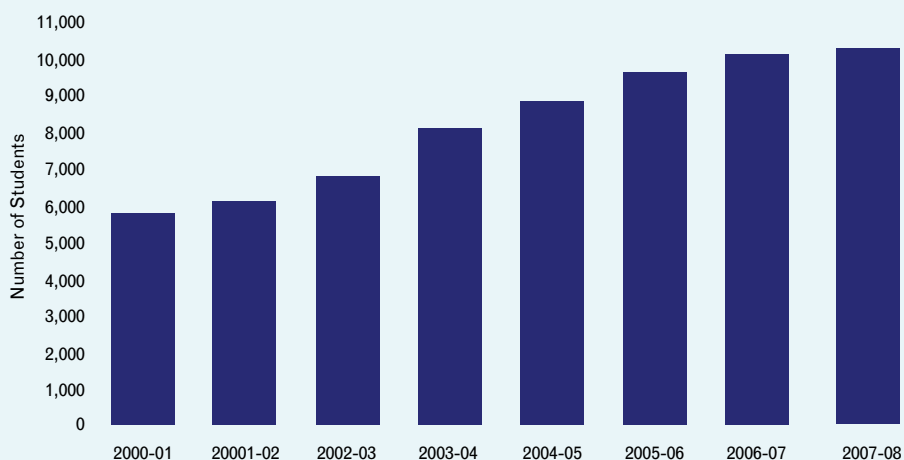
The World at UTSC

When the University of Toronto Scarborough opened its doors in 1964, it was intended as a satellite campus to accommodate the overflow of undergraduates enrolled at the University of Toronto. Investments in research and teaching capacity have since transformed UTSC into a comprehensive, mid-size university campus.

Currently, over 10,000 undergraduate students take more than 1,200 courses annually across a full range of disciplines spanning the arts and sciences.

With graduate and research programs on the rise, the number of graduate students in doctoral and professional streams at UTSC increases each year. >>

Student Enrolment, 2001-08



New facilities at UTSC, 2003-08

Opening	Building	Architect
2003	Academic Resource Centre	Brian MacKay-Lyons with Rounthwaite Dick & Hadley
2003	Foley Hall (residence)	Baird Sampson Neuert with Montgomery Sisam Associates
2004	Student Centre	Stantec Architecture (formerly Dunlop Architects)
2004	Management Building	Kuwabara Payne McKenna Blumberg Architects Inc.
2005	Arts & Administration Building	Montgomery Sisam Architects Inc.
2008	Science Research Building	Moriyama & Teshima Architects

Total investment: \$122 million

Now a hub in the University of Toronto tri-campus system, UTSC counts many of Canada's top researchers and teachers among its faculty. It also attracts bright, dedicated students. In 2007-08, the average GPA for first-year students applying to UTSC was 82.3 percent. The rise in enrolment since 2001 has been sharp – a remarkable 100-percent increase. In just five years, the physical campus has similarly expanded with six new facilities. The most recent, the state-of-the-art Science Research Building, was erected solely for expanding research activities.

Studying at UTSC reflects the realities of the global economy. International students from over 62 countries represent approximately 10 percent of the student population. However, a much higher percentage includes new Canadians with connections around the world. Proximity to home has made UTSC the university of choice for many first-generation Canadians. UTSC students claim with pride that their campus is one of the most diverse university communities in North America. They value the rich discourse that this engenders in their classrooms.

In response to the high student interest in the global context, UTSC has a growing choice of programs with international relevance and impact. Exchange programs further enable UTSC students to study at more than 100 partner universities in some 30 countries around the world.

Now celebrating its fourth year, Green Path – which translates as “the way to success” in Chinese – exemplifies our unique offerings. In collaboration with top middle (high) schools in China, UTSC designed it as a summer preparatory course for students destined for their first year at the University of Toronto. This highly competitive, 12-week intensive course admits only top students and builds their academic skills in English as a Second Language (ESL) and prepares them for scholarship at the university level. These highly

motivated students enter upper-year programs at UTSC and enrich the learning environment for all. Since its inception, the Green Path program has grown tenfold.

UTSC is also recognized as an innovator in experiential learning platforms, evidenced by our new Master of Environmental Science, the first of its kind in Canada (see page 34). Considered the University of Toronto's “co-op campus,” UTSC is a long-established leader in successful co-operative programs. Many are shaped through partnerships with leading business and government employers. Joint programs with Centennial College provide other opportunities for students to receive a component of practical experience in their academic program. Internships, service learning and volunteer programs also connect students to the local community.

Having established a number of differentiating strengths as a university, UTSC is making use of the rare opportunity offered by its dramatically expanding student body and faculty complement to think further about its identity and future direction.

Student experience at a glance

(as of fall 2008)

3,022	first-year students
765	students in residence
1,150	new registrants that attended Get Started program
1,200	first-year orientation participants
200	first-year students in mentorship and engagement programs
3,380	students participating in athletics programs
125	leadership workshops
45	senior mentors helping Black students from local middle and high schools through the Imani Mentorship Program
152	clubs on campus
2,400	students participating in clubs
300	students registered in AccessAbility Services
430	student volunteer note takers
4,100	visits to an academic advisor or career counselor
11,820	visits to the Health & Wellness Centre

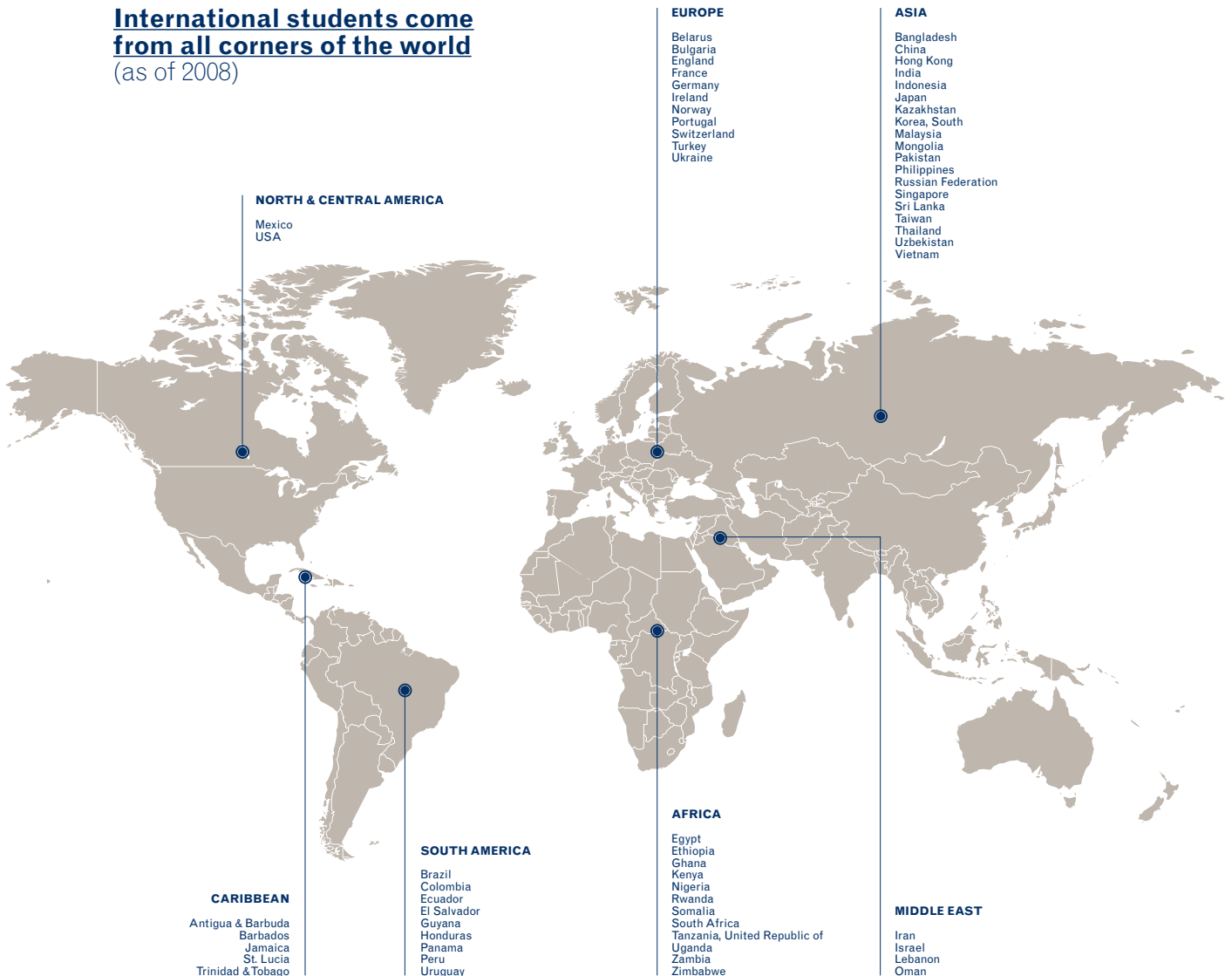


“We have a very multi-cultural campus, and because I’m from the Caribbean, that is really important to me. There are so many different types of students here. You can connect with each and every one of them.”

– Aurora Herrera, International Student, fourth-year Journalism



International students come from all corners of the world
(as of 2008)





Focused on student success

In the 10 years since it was established in 1998, the Division of Student Affairs at UTSC has proven that it is critically important to our students' success. Research, both international and national, has long shown that an enriching life outside of class time makes for a more engaged student with a greater sense of belonging and therefore more successful. To this end, Student Affairs has expanded its services and capacity through six areas of support: Academic Advising & Career Centre; AccessAbility Services; Athletics; Health & Wellness; Student Life & International Student Services; and Student Housing & Residence Life.

Two key themes influence the range of services – co-curricular learning and integrated services. To supplement what students are learning in the classroom, Student Affairs develops programs such as leadership workshops, speaker series, orientations, large-scale and diverse peer mentoring, and living and learning in residence. In November 2008, for example, the division hosted a “Perspectives on Leadership” lecture with Nobel laureate Dr. James Orbinski as guest speaker. Orbinski's audience, of more than 800, primarily students, were engaged by his harrowing experience in health care during the Rwanda genocide.

Recognizing that all aspects of a student's experience at university are connected holistically – from study challenges to personal wellness – Student Affairs provides integrated services whenever possible. The Health & Wellness Centre at UTSC is the only service in the University of Toronto system to integrate medical, nursing, counseling and health promotion in one location. Similarly, the Academic Advising & Career Centre is the only integrated service of its kind in Canada that brings together the four related services of academic advising, learning skills, career counselling and employment skill development.

The Division of Student Affairs also helps new students become aware of available financial support by including financial-aid seminars in UTSC's first-year orientation events. Approximately 45 percent of our student body receives direct support from the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP), and UTSC supplements this with an additional \$7 million annually through scholarships and bursaries.

UTSC's extensive safety net of programs and professional services – from the introduction to academic life in the Get Started program, to fun-packed fall orientation days, faculty events organized by seven departmental student associations and ongoing athletics programs, student clubs, counselling and skills workshops – ensures that every student has the opportunity to succeed.

Resources supporting academic success

The Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL) is recognized by our peers for its cutting-edge assistance on both sides of the educational process – learning and teaching. “Usually, these [two sides] are separated,” notes Biology Professor Clare Hasenkampf, who is the Director of CTL. “We championed the combined approach because we think it's superior.”

A consultant might help students on an essay, for example, or assist faculty in designing the essay assignment. The CTL also provides assistance in developing student skills, from written communication to quantitative reasoning. At the Communication Café, students practise English skills through face-to-face networking or friendly debates. As well, the CTL supports the faculty's efforts to become experts in the art of teaching, offering support on a wide range of areas, from syllabus design to classroom management and creating effective assignments. Most important, CTL fosters a vibrant community of teaching excellence.

The innovative programming of CTL has been used as a model by other Canadian universities, and in 2008 its writing centre was cited for excellence at the prestigious Conference on College Composition and Communication, the world's largest professional organization for researching and teaching composition.

Another vital resource is the UTSC Library, which provides direct – remote or on campus – access to top-ranking research collections and services. The University of Toronto collection includes more than 17,000 online full-text journals, 2,500 online newspapers, thousands of e-books and print holdings that exceed 15 million. The local collection of the UTSC Library includes approximately 300,000 print items, which



grows by approximately 4,000 new titles annually. An exchange service provides access to all items within the U of T library network. Despite the dramatic shift to online resources, students and faculty value this top-quality study and research centre, as evidenced by more than 855,000 visits in 2007-08. And while study space continues to be in high demand, renovations have expanded study space, including the addition of the new “Ultra Quiet” area. An overwhelmingly successful pilot project to keep the Library open 24 hours has led to an extended 24/7 service throughout the 2008-09 academic year.

UTSC alumni

The ever-increasing UTSC alumni community now numbers more than 33,000. Graduates are making an impact on all facets of world issues. As leaders and entrepreneurs, they have added value to the national economy by creating new jobs in a wide range of fields, including software development, biotechnology, media and manufacturing. As committed citizens, they have enriched our social and cultural lives by spearheading community initiatives, charitable organizations and cultural institutions.

Among the well-known UTSC alumni are The Honourable David Onley, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario; Margaret Best, Minister of Health Promotion; Paul Tsaparis, President and CEO of Hewlett-Packard Canada; and Charles Cutts, CEO of Roy Thomson Hall and Massey Hall.

In 2008, UTSC hosted numerous programs and events to reconnect members of the University of Toronto Scarborough Alumni Association (UTSAA) to one another and to the university. More than 200 alumni attended a spring reunion, which marked the 25-year reunion of the class of 1983. The annual SHAKER networking event helped young professional alumni forge valuable career connections. The new event, Dinner with 12 Strangers, introduced current students to alumni and faculty in an intimate dinner setting. In fall 2007, alumnus Charles Cutts was the featured speaker at the Leadership Perspectives Speaker Series.

Alumni can opt to receive a number of benefits, ranging from a University of Toronto-specific email address and reduced rates at the Athletics Centre to insurance and travel programs, as well as career counselling during the first two years after graduation.

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At the 2008 Principal's Spring Celebration, graduates from the class of 1983 were presented with 25-year pins. Appearing with Principal Franco Vaccarino (fifth from left) are alumni (from left) Laurie Barber-Severo, Mary Georgieff-Stepaniuk, Anthony Glover, Patricia Harcourt, Eva Kent, Anne Leon and Nancy Lu.

“Going to university was all about change and creating opportunities to better myself. I was the first person in my immediate family ever to consider a university education.... At the end of third year, I opened a small business, and that, coupled with UTSC offering new courses in marketing, forever changed my life.”

– David Lucatch (BA '85), CEO, Entertainment Media Inc., in his address to the graduating class of fall 2008