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2009

The Awards of Distinction

York University's entrance scholarship program recognizes students who have achieved academic excellence in their secondary school studies. Among these top scholars, those individuals who have distinguished themselves in leadership in community service, achievement in arts or sports, or excellence in other areas of individual endeavour will be recognized for their accomplishments with an Award of Distinction.

Governors' Award of Distinction: John S. Proctor Entrance Scholarship (1)

The York University Board of Governors donated this award in memory of its friend and colleague John S. Proctor, a banker, tennis champion and philanthropist. He served on the York Board of Governors for many years and became Chancellor in 1982. Mr. Proctor rendered untold hours of service to York University. He was a model of excellence and was recognized for his personal integrity, graceful counsel and wise leadership.

Governors' Award of Distinction: Bruce Bryden Entrance Scholarship (1)

The Bruce Bryden Entrance Scholarship is named in honour of Bruce Bryden, a member of York's first undergraduate class and founding president of the York University Alumni Association. He served for twenty years on York's Board of Governors until his untimely death in 1992. Mr. Bryden will be remembered for his tireless devotion, endless optimism and personal warmth.

Alumni Entrance Scholarship (2)

The York University Alumni Association donated these awards to celebrate its commitment to York University. The Association has a unique and valuable role to fill in promoting the excellence, welfare and future of the University. These awards will assist the newest generation of York students to realize their dreams.

Value & duration

The Awards of Distinction are valued at \$32,000 (\$8,000 x 4 years) plus the cost of a room in residence for the recipients' first year of study (approximate value of \$4,000). Awards of Distinction cannot be held in conjunction with another York University renewable award. The awards are renewed on the basis of continued high academic standing (minimum grade point average of 7.8) and enrolment in a minimum of 18 credits for the Fall/Winter academic session.

Eight candidates for the final selection will receive an Award of Merit. This award, valued at \$2,000, may be held with another York University entrance scholarship.

Deadline for application

Applications must be received by Student Financial Services by February 2, 2009.

Criteria

Candidates must be students in their final year of study in a secondary school who will be seeking admission into first-year undergraduate study at York University in any discipline. Candidates must possess a minimum admission average of 90% and will have other accomplishments such as leadership in community service, achievement in arts or sports, or excellence in other areas of individual endeavour which demonstrate the wholeness of the person and grace of character. Please note that only Canadian citizens/permanent residents/protected persons are eligible for these awards.

Awards, honours and distinctions

Please provide a list of your awards, honours and distinctions. List awards chronologically (starting with most recent) and provide date/year received and award value (if applicable) for each award.

Community/school service, leadership and participation

Please provide a list of your activities, competitions, athletics or artistic endeavours, in chronological order, starting with the most recent. Provide hours of participation per week and years of involvement for each activity.

Biographical sketch (maximum 1,000 words)

Please attach a statement, which provides a brief personal history and describes your personal achievements or accomplishments. We are also interested in your future plans and ambitions.

Letters of reference

Three letters of support must be submitted with your application. The letters should be from individuals who are familiar with your academic work, community service or personal history. Letters of reference from family members are not accepted.

Submitting your application

Fill in the application form on the following page. Your application can be:

- mailed to Scholarships & Bursaries, Student Financial Services, Room W223, Bennett Centre for Student Services, York University, 4700 Keele Street, Toronto, Ontario M3J 1P3 (no faxes accepted); OR
- placed in the Student Financial Services drop box located on the main floor of the Bennett Centre for Student Services.

The Awards of Distinction Application Form

Protection of privacy

- Personal information in connection with this application is collected under the authority of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and The York University Act, 1965.
- This information is used to process your application and decide on your eligibility for the Awards of Distinction.
- Once an award has been granted, York University may disclose certain information to the donor of the award, provincial funding organizations and/or York University academic departments/Faculties and Colleges.
- If you win a scholarship, your name and photograph may be used for promotional purposes.
- If you have any questions about the collection of this information by York University, please contact: Information and Privacy Coordinator, York University, Ross N926, 4700 Keele Street, Toronto, ON M3J 1P3, Tel 416-736-2100, ext. 20359.

Personal information

Surname _____ Given Name _____
OUAC Number _____ York Student Number _____
Date of Birth _____ E-mail _____
Address _____
City _____ Province _____
Postal Code _____ Telephone (_____) _____

List of secondary schools attended (most recent first)

Years attended	Name of secondary school	Province
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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I have read and agree to the following:

1. The information I have provided in this application is complete and accurate.
2. All information I have provided in connection with this application is subject to verification and audit by York University. I will provide supporting documentation to York University to verify my eligibility upon request.
3. I give York University my consent to disclose information on this form to other educational institutions and the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities (for OSAP purposes) to verify information.
4. Any funds I receive will be applied to my student account at York University following course enrolment.
5. Scholarship consent: Should I be selected to receive a scholarship, I consent to the use and disclosure of my name, program of study, year level and photograph for promotional purposes.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____