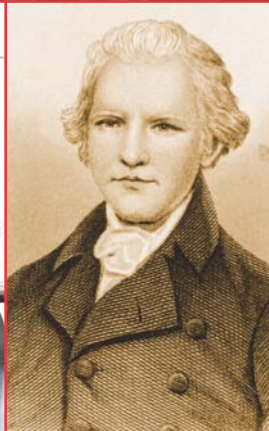


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Congratulations! The Admissions Committee of Osgoode Hall Law School has approved your application and offers you admission to the Osgoode JD program for the 2011 – 2012 academic year. The competition for admission to Osgoode was intense again this year; we received more than 3,000 applications for 290 first-year places. You should be proud of your accomplishment.

We are very pleased to provide you with this electronic admissions package, in which you will find important information about our academic programs, our renowned faculty, our extensive student services and instructions on how to set up your new Osgoode email account.

Also included are instructions on “How to Accept the Osgoode Offer of Admission”. You will have received your Confirmation of Acceptance form with your Offer of Admission letter. If you haven’t already done so, please read these instructions carefully and be sure to return your Confirmation of Acceptance form, along with your deposit, in order to secure your spot in the Class of 2014.

In the coming weeks, we would encourage you to speak with a Student Ambassador. There are over 40 current students from various backgrounds with a wide variety of interests who are available to speak honestly about student life, learning and community at Osgoode. For contact information please visit our website at www.osgoode.yorku.ca and click on Future Students. There you will find the link to Contact an Osgoode Student Ambassador. Or contact our Student Ambassador coordinator directly at recruitment@osgoode.yorku.ca.

Should you need more information or have any questions, feel free to contact us at admissions@osgoode.yorku.ca or 416-736-5712.

Again, please accept our congratulations. We look forward to welcoming you to the Osgoode community.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mya Bulwa". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Mya R. Bulwa
Assistant Dean
Recruitment Admissions & Career Development

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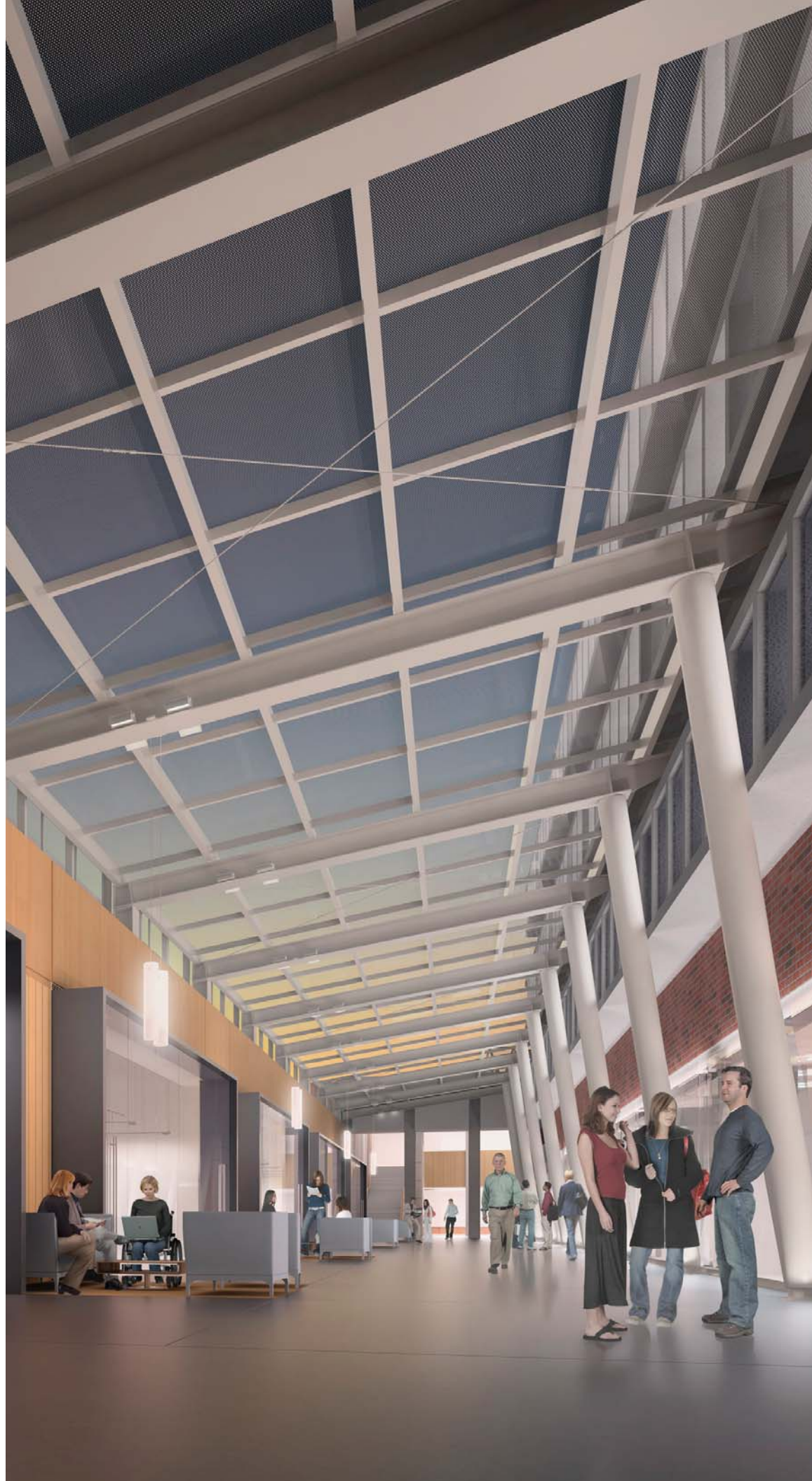
It will be all new and all for you.

Through a record \$78 million in private funding, alumni giving and government support, we have transformed our learning environment, our programs and our student financial support.

In the fall of 2011, we will open the doors of our newly renovated and expanded building – a building that will complement the highest quality in legal education and student experience:

- Meet friends in the bistro and student lounge
- Study and research in the newly designed law library
- Learn in accessible, high-tech classrooms

In choosing Osgoode, you will be among the first to experience our new home.



How to Accept the Osgoode Offer of Admission

We are delighted that you will be accepting our offer of admission to Osgoode Hall Law School. In order to confirm your acceptance, you must complete the following two, easy steps:

Step 1: Complete the Osgoode Confirmation of Acceptance Form

You will have received a Confirmation of Acceptance form with your Offer of Admission letter. Please complete this form and return it to the Law School along with a money order in the amount of \$450, payable to York University (this is a non-refundable deposit that will be applied to your tuition fees). We must receive this form and your deposit as soon as possible but no later than the deadline set out in your Confirmation of Acceptance form. Please send your form and money order to:

Admissions Office
Osgoode Hall Law School
York University
4700 Keele Street
Toronto, ON M3J 1P3

Step 2: Contact OLSAS

Applicants are required to respond to their offers of admission using OLSAS's Secure Applicant Messaging Tool (SAM). In order to do this, please log on to your completed OLSAS application, using your OLSAS IT number and password. Then, click on the appropriate link and follow the online instructions. You will receive a confirmation number, via e-mail, once you have submitted your response.

After your response is processed, you will receive a second e-mail, with another confirmation number.

Please Note: If you have applied to a combined program (JD/MBA; JD/MES; JD/MA Philosophy) you must first accept the offer to the JD Program. Offers to the combined programs are issued separately by each faculty and are processed directly by the law school and partner faculty.



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THE FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE

Osgoode regularly makes innovative changes to our first-year curriculum. The first-year program introduces students to the ethical and global dimensions of law. Students quickly develop a wide range of skills and perspectives through their exposure to a variety of teaching methods and forms of evaluation.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

Our first-year program is distinguished by its emphasis on several themes central to trends in legal practice. Osgoode invites students to reflect on questions of professionalism and ethics. At the same time, we explore the transnational and international dimensions of law, introducing students to the global context that is challenging and changing all areas of contemporary life. Our year-long State and Citizen course merges Public Law and Constitutional Law, offering a comprehensive look at the relationship between individuals and the state. Another full-year course, Legal Process, combines the study of civil procedure and alternative dispute resolution with a focus on developing legal research, writing and oral advocacy skills. In the winter semester, the elective Perspective Options provide students with instruction on and supervision of a research paper, further developing students' writing skills and providing a foundation for upper-year work.

The first-year curriculum at Osgoode combines strengths in traditional subjects with innovative offerings. Single semester courses in Contracts, Criminal Law and Torts are offered in the fall term, and Property in the winter term. Our two full-year courses in Legal Process and State and Citizen offer sustained and integrated approaches to dispute resolution and to public and constitutional law. The intensive Ethical Lawyering in a Global Community course is offered at the start of the fall term and then again in an intensive two weeks at the start of the winter term. Finally, each student for the winter term will select a Perspective Option from diverse subjects such as Dispute Settlement, Crime in the Digital Age, Tax Law as an Instrument of Social and Economic Policy, and Globalization and the Law. Some students can choose as their Perspective Option to participate in the Legal Theory Seminar offered over the fall and winter terms.

Our first-year class at Osgoode Hall Law School is divided into four sections of about 75 students each. In each semester, students are taught some of their courses in a combination of lectures and smaller groups of approximately 25 students. This method of organizing our first-year class allows students to get to know each other and their professors better. Perspective Option seminars are also taught in groups of no more than 20 students, to allow for vibrant discussion and research supervision.

Students in Osgoode's first-year courses are exposed to a diversity of evaluation methods and forms of feedback. Although final examinations remain important, written work is central to evaluation of the Perspective Option, and to the

courses in Legal Process and Ethical Lawyering in a Global Community. The State and Citizen course is evaluated by at least two different methods. In the courses in Contracts, Criminal Law, Torts and Property, instructors give all students feedback on their work (whether graded or ungraded) in advance of any final examinations. These features of the first-year curriculum enable Osgoode students to monitor their progress and focus on developing skills in a supportive environment.

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT DEAN (FIRST-YEAR)

In keeping with Osgoode's commitment to our students' success, Osgoode dedicates a full-time professor to first-year students, issues and curriculum. One of the responsibilities of the Assistant Dean (First-Year) is to coordinate our Academic Success Program, including skill sessions, a Dean's Fellows program that attaches an upper-year student mentor to each first-year course, and a website with valuable resources and individual support. Students can find the website of the Assistant Dean (First-Year) through the Quicklinks column on the MyOsgoode portal (<https://osgoode.yorku.ca/myosgood2.nsf/defaultViewTemp?OpenForm>.) You are invited to visit and discover the many resources that are available to help you meet the challenges of first-year.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

At Osgoode, we make your first-year registration process as easy as possible. Students who firmly accept Osgoode's offer of admission will be randomly placed in one of the four first-year sections and will be automatically enrolled in all first-year courses (with the exception of a Perspective Option course, which will be selected by students in November 2011). During the summer months, incoming students will receive information about their section and timetable for first-year, as well as other registration and orientation information and a package of information from the Assistant Dean (First-Year). Apart from paying the non-refundable deposit and subsequent first term tuition by mid-summer, there is nothing further that admitted students are required to do.

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS

Osgoode Hall Law School offers a rich academic curriculum taught by dynamic and renowned professors. Over and above the regular academic program, there are numerous special programs and activities in which students at Osgoode can participate.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Elsewhere in this package you will find details about the first-year program. Here, our focus is on the upper-year program. The second and third years of the program offer students an opportunity to design a course of study especially suited to their particular interests and career aspirations. There are no required courses in the second or third year. The only requirements for upper-year students are the completion of at least one significant research paper and completion of the Osgoode Public Interest Requirement, a law-related, public interest service requirement that provides an introduction to, and illustration of, the broad nature of the profession's obligation to advance the "public interest."

One of the benefits of a large law school is that we have the faculty resources to develop an extremely comprehensive range of courses and seminars for upper-year students. On top of that, our location in the city of Toronto enables us to attract to our upper-year program, as adjunct faculty members, many of the finest practitioners in the country.

CURRICULAR STREAMS

In crafting their individualized programs of study, students have the opportunity to graduate with concentrations in some of Osgoode's many areas of teaching and research strengths by way of participation in an optional curricular stream. A curricular stream takes the form of a structured program of study made up of an array of core and optional courses and other academic experiences within which students can tailor an individualized concentration. Each program stream is designed to enhance students' capacities by providing a mix of doctrinal, theoretical, interdisciplinary, policy-focused and skills-related challenges. In all programs, students are required to engage in a significant research and writing project. Students may select one of the following four curricular streams:

- International, Comparative and Transnational Law (ICT)
- Litigation, Dispute Resolution, and the Administration of Justice (LDA)
- Tax Law
- Labour Law

CLINICAL PROGRAMS

The clinical education offerings at Osgoode Hall Law School are the most extensive in Canada and among the most innovative in the world. The Criminal Law Intensive and the Intensive Program in Poverty Law at Parkdale Community Legal Services began more than 30 years ago. They were the first programs in North America to provide intensive full-term, 15-credit clinical experiences in real workplaces. Building on the success of these two programs, Osgoode has created a wide array of clinical

programs that offer students the opportunity to experience first hand the practice of law in many different areas – Business Law, Immigration and Refugee Law, Poverty Law, and Aboriginal Law, for example -- and to acquire a diverse set of skills including counseling, negotiation, mediation, advocacy and legal writing. A Mediation Clinic was added to the program in 2009-10 and a new Intellectual Property Law Intensive program will be offered in 2011-2012. While each program is unique, integral to all of Osgoode's clinical programs is the vision of the "reflective practitioner"; one who is able to draw upon theory to critically evaluate not only the law, but to assess his or her own performance. Each program has its own criteria for admission. Applications are made in February of the preceding academic year. For more information on our clinical programs, visit www.osgoode.yorku.ca/clinical_education.

JOINT AND COMBINED PROGRAMS

In conjunction with York University's Schulich School of Business, the Faculty of Environmental Studies, and the Philosophy Department at the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, Osgoode offers four-year programs leading to the JD/MBA Degree, JD/MES Degree, and JD/MA Degree. As well, Osgoode and the Université de Montréal, Faculté de Droit have established a joint program for students in their third year at Osgoode to apply to the Université de Montréal to attend one year in the Civil Law Program. Students graduating from Osgoode with the Osgoode JD degree in common law will then receive the BCL degree in civil law. Osgoode and New York University School of Law have also partnered to offer a combined JD/LLM program, which gives students the opportunity to study for 3.5 years (2.5 years at Osgoode and 1 year at NYU) and obtain both a Canadian JD degree and a graduate law degree (LLM) from NYU. Students wishing to participate in any of the above programs must separately satisfy the admission requirements for both Osgoode and the other faculty or university. Admission to the JD/MBA, JD/MES, and JD/MA in Philosophy programs is generally confirmed prior to the first year study of law at Osgoode, although students may also apply to join the joint programs during their first year at Osgoode. Admission to the Université de Montréal is confirmed in the third year of study at Osgoode. Students may apply for Admission to the JD/LLM (NYU) program either prior to admission to first-year or during their second year at Osgoode.

EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

International experience has become increasingly valuable for law students pursuing diverse career paths. Osgoode students have the benefit of participating in Osgoode and York International sponsored exchange programs during the academic year. Through Osgoode exchange partnerships, our

students have the opportunity to study at Bucerius University, Monash University (Australia), Otago University (New Zealand), National Law School of India (Bangalore), National University of Singapore, University of Law, Economy and Sciences of Aix-Marseilles (France), Université de Montréal, Trinity College Dublin and University College Dublin (Ireland), Strathclyde University (Scotland), University of Amsterdam and Vrije University, Maastricht University (Netherlands), University of Copenhagen (Denmark), Waseda University (Japan). Recently negotiated Osgoode International exchanges are with St. Gallen (Switzerland), Hong Kong University (China) and the University of Luxembourg. Through York International, some of the destinations that students may apply for are: Keele University (England), Flinders University (Australia), Western Sydney (Australia), Stockholm University (Sweden, University of Valencia (Spain), and University of West Indies (Barbados).

INTENSIVE RESEARCH PROGRAM

The Intensive Research Program offers the opportunity for intensive work at an advanced level under the personal direction of a full-time faculty member. While a major research paper will be the keystone of each student's research over two or three semesters, it will be set in the context of work in related courses and seminars. Students may also take, with approval, some non-related courses and seminars of more general interest. Students may have the opportunity to participate in a symposium run by faculty researchers, which provides a forum for the exchange of research results and methodologies.

MOOTING PROGRAM

Osgoode is proud of its tradition of success in competitive mooting. The Mooting Program offers students the opportunity to participate in a variety of first-year and upper-year competitions based on trial and appellate advocacy, arbitration, negotiation, and client counseling. The subjects of the competitions range from constitutional law to corporate law, and the competitions are held in settings as close to home as Osgoode and as far away as Vienna. Academic credit is available for participation in upper-year competitions.

LAW JOURNALS

The Osgoode Hall Law Journal, guided by a student and faculty Board of Directors, is published four times a year. Students can contribute to the Journal in junior and senior editorial positions as early as their first year. Upper-year editors may receive academic credit for their involvement with the Journal. Other Journal options include the German Law Journal and the Court.ca (Osgoode's online Supreme Court of Canada resource).

COMMUNITY AND LEGAL AID SERVICES PROGRAM

The Community and Legal Aid Services Program (CLASP), Osgoode's first community legal clinic, provides legal services to low-income people throughout Metropolitan Toronto who are not eligible for a legal aid certificate, although its focus is on assisting youth in, and other members of, the Jane-Finch

community, women who are survivors of domestic violence, and persons living with mental health difference.

CLASP emphasizes the practice of law as a partnership with the community. As such, in addition to traditional client representation, it works extensively with community groups on legal issues and proactive community development campaigns. In so doing, CLASP exposes students to multiple conceptions of lawyers' roles in society, the nature of effective lawyering, and the place of the law and the justice system in society. Involvement in law reform, community development work and public legal education are essential elements of the program to both more effectively address systemic barriers faced by the client community and to provide students with a perspective on different lawyering roles. In addition to a 15-credit clinical program for student division leaders who are employed during the summer and earn credits over the following academic year, a large number of students (including those in first-year) participate as volunteers. All activities are supervised by CLASP counsel.

OSGOODE PUBLIC INTEREST REQUIREMENT (OPIR)

In 2007, Osgoode became the first Canadian law school to adopt an innovative law-related, public interest service requirement as a condition for graduation for all Osgoode students. Through OPIR, students have an opportunity to observe, in an expansive range of practice settings, law "in action" or law "on the ground." OPIR engages students, in active reflection, upon the obligation of the legal profession to foster the "public interest" and "access to justice." As former Chief Justice of Ontario and now York Chancellor, Roy McMurtry, observed, "Lawyers have been given the intellectual equipment to influence this country's improvement. Indifference is therefore intolerable. Lawyers are certainly uniquely qualified to make a special contribution to the debates related to the public issues of the day. In this context, I am reminded of the words of the great jurist, Oliver Wendell Holmes, who a hundred years ago urged lawyers to make a passionate commitment to the communities in which they live and work stating, 'you should take part in the actions and passions of your time or you will be at risk, at peril of being judged not to have lived at all.'"

STUDENT GOVERNMENT AND ACTIVITIES

Osgoode Hall Law School offers students a wide variety of extra-curricular activities. For those interested in student government, 16 student representatives form the Student Caucus of the School's Faculty Council, whose mandate is to promote student welfare and interests. As well, students can participate in the Legal and Literary Society, the official student government responsible for coordinating and funding the numerous professional, athletic, social and extra-curricular activities at the Law School. Some of the clubs and activities include The Black Law Students Association; Christian Legal Fellowship; Debate Society; Entertainment & Sports Law Students Association; First Nations Law Students Association; Hellenic Students Association; International Law Society; Italian Cultural Society; Jewish Students Association; Outlaws@Osgoode; South Asian Law Students Association; Women's Caucus; and many, many more.

THE FINEST FACULTY AND PROUD RESEARCH TRADITION



Behind Osgoode's rich and rigorous JD Program are our highly intelligent, thoughtful, passionate and articulate professors. Few law schools in the world can compare to Osgoode's faculty in terms of the quality of their scholarship and research and the influence that research has had, and continues to have, on the directions taken by the law, by public policy and by transnational legal scholarship.

Among our 60 internationally-renowned full-time faculty are many of the country's top legal thinkers, including nine faculty members who have been admitted to the Royal Society of Canada, the country's senior national body of distinguished Canadian scientists and scholars, and three to the Order of Canada.

Additional prestigious awards that have recently been bestowed on Osgoode professors include Canada's highest honour for a law scholar, the Canada Council's Killam Prize for the Social Sciences; Ontario's David W. Mundell Medal for contribution to law and letters; Ontario's Leadership in Faculty Teaching (LIFT) Award for teaching excellence; the Canadian Association of Law Teachers (CALT) Award for Academic Excellence; the International Labour Organization (ILO) Decent Work Research Prize 2008; the Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce Professional Female of the Year Award; the Education Foundation of the Chinese Professionals Association of Canada (CPAC) Award for Distinguished Professional Achievement; the South Asian Bar Association of Toronto Young Practitioner's Award; and the York International Award for Outstanding Contribution to Internationalization.

The Law School is privileged to have three Chairs who add to the illustrious reputation of our JD Program. Professor Peer Zumbansen is the Canada Research Chair in Transnational Economic Governance and Legal Theory. In 2007 Professor Edward Waitzer was named Jarislowsky Dimma Mooney Chair in Corporate Governance at Osgoode and Schulich School of Business. A future appointment will be made to the Osler Chair in Business Law.

Osgoode's faculty are highly active in bringing their research expertise to various social justice, law reform, and community development projects. For example, one professor currently serves as a Director of the Greater Toronto Airports Authority; another is a Commissioner of the Ontario Securities Commission; four others participated in the Expert Panel in Securities Regulation in Canada; and another recently headed up Ontario's Expert Commission on Pensions. One faculty member has been appointed by the Ontario Government to chair a funding review of the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board. Another was counsel in the groundbreaking 2010 case of *Canada v. Bedford* on the constitutionality of Criminal Code provisions relating to prostitution. Our faculty also contribute to the development of law reform proposals by public agencies such as the Law Commission of Ontario, which is housed at York University, and to the law and development work of international bodies such as the International Monetary Fund.

Osgoode also draws on the assistance of members of the Toronto Bar in order to offer the widest possible range of courses. Student course evaluations show the importance of the practical perspective that our talented adjunct faculty members bring to their classes, and the indispensable role they play in delivering specialized courses and seminars. Our adjunct faculty

make the study of law a meaningful engagement with relevant and challenging issues and make the learning experience one of the great pleasures of attending Osgoode.

Osgoode's proud research tradition includes its curriculum, the recognition of the close linkage between education and the generation of new knowledge by both professors and students. The Law School provides numerous research opportunities for JD students, both within our wealth of regular seminar courses and beyond.

Among the vibrant centres of research at Osgoode are the Institute for Feminist Legal Studies, the Jack and Mae Nathanson Centre on Transnational Human Rights, Crime and Security; the IP Osgoode Intellectual Property Law & Technology Program; and the Critical Research Laboratory in Law & Society with its two programs; Comparative Research in Law and Political Economy Network (CLPE), and the Collaborative Urban Research Laboratory (CURL); and the Hennick Centre for Business and Law.

Osgoode also hosts numerous research lectures and conferences to promote knowledge-sharing among scholars, legal practitioners, law makers, students, community groups and others. Some recent conference themes include "Accessing India: A Focus on Foreign Direct Investment and Mining", "Global North and Global South Perspectives on Transnational Governance: An Indian-Canadian Conversation", "Rethinking Criminal Law: Canadian Perspectives in the Philosophy of Domestic, Transnational, and International Law", "Human Rights in Africa", "Comparative Constitutional Law", "Governing Contracts: Public and Private Dimensions", "The Embedded Corporation" and "Tax Expenditures and Public Policy in Comparative Perspective". Distinguished Lecture Series have brought leaders in legal scholarship and practice to Osgoode. Established and emerging scholars have spent time at Osgoode in the context of the Barbara Betcherman Distinguished Visitorship, the CLPE Fellowship in Law and Political Economy and the Genest Global Visitors Program. Such visits provide students with unique learning experiences from comparative and transnational perspectives.

For additional information and details about Osgoode's faculty, please see our website at <http://www.osgoode.yorku.ca/faculty/index.html>



CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Osgoode Hall Law School encourages its students to give careful attention to career planning and preparation and provides programs and services throughout the year to assist students in defining and achieving their short-term and long-term career goals. Osgoode graduates are successfully practising in all areas of law across Canada and internationally as well as pursuing a variety of non-traditional career paths.

THE CAREER DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

The Career Development Office (CDO) is staffed by four full-time professionals as well as a student coordinator. The CDO provides:

- individual career coaching
- résumé review
- mock interviews
- job postings
- programs and workshops
- extensive resources and reference materials
- events to bring students together with prospective employers
- a peer counselling program

PREPARING FOR YOUR PROFESSIONAL CAREER

The programs and workshops arranged by the CDO include: job search strategies; résumé writing; interview skills; the importance of networking; clerkships at the various courts; information panels on a variety of practice areas; opportunities for graduate study; and alternatives to legal practice. In addition, the CDO provides students with assistance in their search for both summer and articling positions and annually hosts a Public Interest Day, a Career Fair, and on-campus interview programs for Toronto, New York, Vancouver, Calgary and Eastern Canadian law firms each fall.

The CDO posts job opportunities for part-time, full-time, summer, articling and internship positions. These postings are conveniently available on-line. In addition, the CDO has information about law firms, government offices, corporate legal departments and other legal and non-legal employers of law graduates. Information is also available about the licensing process requirements in Ontario, other Canadian jurisdictions and internationally.

PUBLIC INTEREST OPPORTUNITIES

Students interested in public interest work can research opportunities and participate in three main programs facilitated by the CDO: a) the Honourable Ian Scott Public Internship Program; b) the Summer Public Interest Advocacy Program (SPIAP); and c) the Pro Bono Students Canada (PBSC) Program. The Honourable Ian Scott Internship is awarded to students with financial need who develop a summer work or volunteer experience at a public interest organization such as a legal aid clinic, advocacy organization or non-governmental organization. Through the SPIAP, students who secure summer positions with participating Toronto law firms can spend half the summer working at the law firm and the balance of the summer working at either a public interest organization of their choice or on a participating innovation law project. Additionally, during the academic terms, students interested in obtaining practical legal experience while volunteering at public interest organizations can volunteer with the Osgoode Chapter of PBSC. Through this program students have assisted a number of different community organizations ranging from local agencies to government bodies with intake, legal research, and the drafting of legal documents involved in court cases.

For additional information on each of these programs, or to learn more about the CDO offerings, please visit the CDO website at www.osgoode.yorku.ca/careers.

STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES



Osgoode attracts the best and brightest students and strives to ensure that individuals from diverse backgrounds have access to our programs throughout their years of study. We continue to expand and strengthen our impressive complement of Student Financial Services Programs, which consists of scholarships and awards, medals and prizes, bursaries and social justice internships, assistance with student loans, one-on-one financial counselling, emergency funding, early notification of bursaries, and information about external sources of award funding for our students.

Extensive Offering of Scholarships and Awards for both Entering and Continuing Osgoode Students

Thanks to the generosity of alumni and donors, and buoyed by the Ontario Government's matching gift program, Osgoode has a wealth of scholarships and awards available to first-year and upper-year students on the basis of academic excellence and financial need. All entering students are automatically eligible to be considered for all scholarships and awards. Because many of our scholarships have a financial need component, all students are required to complete the Financial Statement form as part of the application process in order to be eligible for ALL scholarships and awards.

While many of our awards require Ontario residency because they involve funding that has been matched by the Ontario Government and other designations, the Law School makes every effort to fund out-of-province students in a fair and equitable way. Our seven Centennial National entrance scholarships, and other newly established awards, including the Osgoode Hall Law School Upper-Year Awards of Excellence and The Honourable R.E. Holland Q.C. Award are directed to out-of-province students.

All-Inclusive Bursary Program - the Mainstay of Osgoode's Student Financial Services Program

In the 2011-2012 academic year, Osgoode anticipates awarding approximately \$3 million in bursaries to students who apply and demonstrate documented financial need, based on accumulated educational debt load and a variety of other factors. The huge advantage of bursaries for students is that they are grants and are, therefore, non-repayable.

The Osgoode Bursary Program works within the guidelines of the Ministry's Student Access Guarantee to fairly and equitably allocate substantial bursaries to as many students as possible. For first-year students entering in 2010-2011, bursaries ranged from \$1,200 for low need students to \$10,000 and more for students documenting the highest levels of financial need.

Early Notification of Bursaries

In order to give entering students some indication of what they might expect to receive in bursary funding before they arrive at Osgoode, we have established an Early Bursary Notification Program which provides students with early notification of the



amount of bursary funding that they may receive in the fall semester through our regular bursary program. The completion of the Online Financial Statement when applying to first-year is required for students to be part of this process. All students, including those who receive early notification, are required to apply to and fulfill the requirements of the Regular Bursary Program in September. If the information provided in the Financial Statement is substantially different from the information provided in the Regular Online Bursary Application completed the following September, it could positively or negatively affect the actual amount of bursary funding. We compared the two programs for last year and all but very few students who received early bursary notification equaled or did better on the Regular Bursary Program. The advantage of the Early Notification Program is that it allows students to carefully consider the costs of law school before they arrive, and do some serious budgeting and financial planning for their three years at law school.

Convenient On-Site Financial Support and Advice for Students

Osgoode employs a full-time Director of Student Financial Services and staff who are responsible for developing and administering the Law School's Student Financial Services Program, and for providing personal service to Osgoode students in all matter of financial concerns. The Director, Penny Spence, is located in the Office of Student Financial Services and

can be reached by calling the Office at (416) 650-8132. Students are also encouraged to visit and carefully read the financial services section of the Osgoode website at: www.osgoode.yorku.ca/financial_services.

Osgoode Hall Law School/Royal Bank Student Financial Option Program

Osgoode is proud of its special program with the Royal Bank of Canada, featuring an innovative loan program specifically tailored to our students. The loan program offers Osgoode students a full range of banking services including easier access to favourable interest rates on a Student Line-of-Credit and, most importantly, personal on-site financial counselling with professional representatives. Osgoode recommends and RBC normally offers Lines-of-Credit of up to \$20,000 per year, with a further \$15,000 available for a fourth year (during articles), bringing the total possible loan amount to \$75,000. There is always an opportunity to negotiate more, but we do our best to keep students' accumulating debt at a manageable level. Students should realize that most financial institutions will subtract your OSAP debt from this maximum.

For students with documented financial need, the Law School does its best to provide bursaries to assist with interest payments on Student Lines-of-Credit, thereby creating another form of "interest-free" loans for students. Osgoode will accept a Student Line-of-Credit from any financial institution.

ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

As an entering student, you may be eligible for one of upwards of 60 Entrance Scholarships/Awards including our prestigious Renewable Entrance Scholarships/Awards valued at up to \$30,000 over 3 years.

Renewable Entrance Scholarships

- The Harley D. Hallett Renewable Entrance Scholarships are our most prestigious awards: students will receive \$10,000 in first-year, and, renewable at \$10,000, in each of second and third year. The “Halletts” are awarded annually to students who demonstrate outstanding academic performance and financial need.
- The Honourable William G. C. Howland Award of Excellence Entrance Scholarships, named after a former Chief Justice of Ontario and of equal value to the “Halletts”, are awarded annually on the basis of academic merit.

Other Entrance Scholarships

- New for this year is The Honourable Charles Dubin and Anne Dubin Scholarship, awarded to students entering the JD Program with high academic standing.
- Also new and exciting is the Hennick Scholarship Program, which awards scholarships to students entering the joint JD/MBA Program on the basis of academic excellence and financial need.
- The Ignat Kaneff Scholarship for Academic Excellence is meant to promote equal opportunities through higher education among all Canadians.
- The Harris Awards for Aboriginal Law Students, are intended to provide aboriginal students with the resources necessary to complete law school and benefit their communities. A fund of \$20,000 is available annually.
- The McMillan Binch Awards offer 10 or more scholarships valued at \$3,000 to entering and continuing students who demonstrate academic excellence and financial need.
- The Newton Rowell Entrance Scholarships, established by the Honourable H.N.R. Jackman and named after the Honourable Newton Wesley Rowell, are awarded annually to entering students on the basis of academic excellence and commitment to public service.
- Many more entrance and other scholarships are listed on the Osgoode Financial Services website.

Centennial National Entrance Scholarships for Out-of-Province Students

- The Six Centennial National Entrance Scholarships were established to attract students from all parts of the country to ensure Osgoode’s continuing national presence. They include scholarships for students from British Columbia, Alberta, the Prairies, Quebec, the Maritimes, Northern Ontario and Northern Canada.
- The Leonard C. Outerbridge '14 Entrance Scholarship, also a Centennial National Entrance Scholarship, is named after a former Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and is awarded to a student from Newfoundland on the basis of academic excellence, public service and aptitude for legal studies.

Award of Excellence Scholarships

- Established by Osgoode’s Alumni Association, several scholarships named after some of the most distinguished alumni of the Law School, namely John K. Arnup, Brendan O’Brien, G. Arthur Martin, and John J. Robinetter Entrance Scholarships, are available to students who show promise of continued academic excellence.

Upper-Year Scholarship and Awards

- For students in their second and third years of law school, Osgoode continues to offer a variety of prestigious scholarships and awards including some, like the Blake Cassels & Graydon LLP Awards, in the amount of \$5,000 and renewable in the final year. Please see the Financial Services website for other upper year scholarships.

MEDALS AND PRIZES

Every spring, Osgoode presents medals and hundreds of prizes to outstanding students for significant contribution to all aspects of the Law School. The awarding of these medals and prizes is acknowledged at Convocation each June and is also noted on students’ transcripts.

In addition to the prestigious Gold, Silver and Bronze medals and now the Hennick medal, Osgoode is pleased to award:

- Class Standing Prizes
 - Course and Subject Area Prizes
 - Prizes for Excellence Beyond Academic Achievement
- All medals and prizes are awarded annually at Osgoode’s Convocation.

OSGOODE’S BURSARY PROGRAM

In 2010-2011, 88 per cent of Osgoode students who applied to Osgoode’s Bursary Program received some bursary funding. With continued successful fundraising and what we are hopeful will be increasing tuition set-aside funds, the total bursary funding available for 2011-2012 will be upwards of \$3 million. Some frequently asked questions about the Bursary Program include:

How large are Osgoode’s bursary awards?

Individual bursary awards begin at \$1,200 and may be as high as \$10,000 for entering students demonstrating highest financial need.

Who can apply?

Any Osgoode student can apply. We have our own online bursary application process and applications will be available online when you arrive for the fall term.

When are the bursaries allocated and how do I get my money?

Bursaries are normally allocated in November. Bursary funding is applied directly to each student’s account at York University.

Are there any special requirements?

Students must fulfill three requirements:

- must apply to the Federal and Provincial Student Loan Program in the same year that an application is made for an Osgoode bursary;

- must apply for a Student Line-of-Credit in the same year that application is made for an Osgoode bursary;
- must provide complete documentation with their bursary application.

While some students may not be eligible for a government student loan and/or a Student Line-of-Credit, in our process and with proper documentation, students may remain eligible to be considered for an Osgoode bursary.

What documentation is required?

Students must demonstrate a shortfall with respect to resources and expenses for the eight-month period, September to April. As well, students must document the following:

- total educational debt load including past student government loans, credit card debt, personal loans, etc;
- any parental/spousal support with respect to living expenses; and
- proof they have made an application for the current academic year for a student government loan and an active Student Line-of-Credit, and proof of chequing and savings accounts.

OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Tuition Fees

Osgoode's tuition in 2010-2011 was \$17,631, plus \$850 in ancillary fees. Fees for 2011-12 will be confirmed in the spring of 2011. Students in Joint or Combined Programs choosing to study at the Schulich School of Business, the Faculty of Environmental Studies or the Philosophy Department at the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies in their first year, will pay the tuition fees of those faculties, in place at the time. Please note that Osgoode students are not eligible for Osgoode scholarships, awards and bursaries while registered full-time at another faculty.

PROVISIONS FOR STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Government Student Assistance Programs

Students are required and strongly encouraged to apply as early as possible in the late spring/early summer for government student assistance through their province of residence.

Electronic applications are normally available in April/early May and students must apply online through their provincial student loan program office. Students who are residents of Ontario are eligible for the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP): <http://osap.gov.on.ca>. Students from out-of-province should check with their provincial student loan programs or with the Federal Government's site at :

http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/learning/canada_student_loan/index.shtml

Applying early will ensure that OSAP and other government student loan funding will be finalized well before the first half of your fees are due in early August.

Student Line-of-Credit

Students are required and strongly encouraged to put in place a Student Line-of-Credit soon after accepting Osgoode's offer of admission. Details about the special Student Financial Options Program that Osgoode has in place with the Royal Bank is on

the Osgoode website and may also be mailed to entering students in the summer in order that personal contact may be made early on with the specific professional banking representatives. This early contact will allow students to do some financial planning over the summer months. Professional banking representatives will also be available to meet with students onsite at the Law School during the first two weeks of classes.

Financial Planning

We recognize that financing three years of law school is a considerable financial investment for students. Our commitment is to ensure that students who choose to attend Osgoode receive the necessary financial planning advice and assistance. We strongly encourage applicants to begin planning their finances as early on in the process as possible. You should enter Osgoode with a firm grasp of how you will pay for three years of legal studies.

To assist you with your financial planning, Osgoode's Student Financial Services Office provides one-on-one meetings to discuss your financial situation. As well, we provide you with access to financial experts during the first two weeks of term and, where possible, bring in professional financial advisors to host financial seminars tailored particularly to first and upper-year students. Osgoode's special program with the Royal Bank facilitates easy access to professional banking representatives who understand what law school is all about, and are there to help you with your planning and strategies for financing three years of law school.

For further information, please contact:

Office of Student Financial Services

Telephone: 416-650-8132

E-mail: financialservices@osgoode.yorku.ca

website: www.osgoode.yorku.ca/financialservices

THE LEADING ELECTRONIC LAW SCHOOL IN CANADA



Osgoode Hall Law School is at the leading edge in the development and use of technology in teaching, learning and researching the law. Osgoode has seven state-of-the-art electronic classrooms, as well as video and audio conferencing.

You will soon receive notice, on your OASIS account homepage,, of a personalized Osgoode e-mail address and account. This account provides the Osgoode student's passport to a wealth of electronic information and services from the Law School, and a means by which the administration and faculty can keep in touch with students.

All Osgoode students have access to the MyOsgoode portal, which connects them to course websites, course outlines, schedules and materials available electronically. A number of the Law School's administrative services, such as course selection and course material purchases, are available via the Web through the portal. The use of popular social media and emerging cloud technology are also incorporated into the family of Osgoode Web services.

The entire Law School features wireless Internet connectivity for students requiring access for their laptop, mobile/smart-phones or tablet devices. First- year students will have Legal Research and Writing classes in the new 25-workstation teaching lab. Also available will be a 22 workstation Law Library computer lab for those students without laptops and students can have access to a number of wireless laptop

computers on a sign-out basis from the Law Library.

Osgoode also offers a comprehensive e-Exam Program, in which students can elect to type their exams on their personal laptop computers (with required specialized exam-writing software) or use one of the computers in Osgoode's computer labs. Alternatively, traditional hand written exams can also be administered.

Osgoode students learn the use of the latest electronic research tools, using state-of-the art computer technology, from faculty and professional librarians expert in the field.

Osgoode's Information Technology Services department works to ensure that students learn the law with the help of the best and most creative use of technology, inside and out of the classroom. Osgoode's Professional Development Program is pioneering a national graduate program in law, using distance education technology.

Technology is changing the way lawyers and other knowledge workers interact in this hypercompetitive world. An Osgoode legal education prepares students to learn and work effectively in the information age.

THE LAW LIBRARY OF OSGOODE HALL LAW SCHOOL



A great law library includes everything from the quality of its librarians to its reference services and its research databases. On this basis, Osgoode's Law Library is one of the finest law libraries in the Commonwealth.

As a student at Osgoode, you'll find the library provides a central, quiet and pleasant environment for reading, research, reflection and writing. The re-designed and totally renovated library space will also provide students private and group study space with easy access to electronic study aids.

With more than 500,000 volumes, the Law Library has the largest collection of any library in the British Commonwealth. It includes the largest collection of historical (pre-1900) Canadian legal texts and primary sources anywhere and a significant collection of early English and American law books. These outstanding print collections, of international calibre, are supplemented by a growing range of online and digital

resources, including LexisNexis, Quicklaw and Westlaw Canada, to which all members of the Osgoode community have access.

There are many country and topic-specific tools which provide researchers with in-depth access to the laws of Australia, India, the Caribbean, international commercial arbitration and United Nations treaties and documents.

Access to these print and online resources is made possible by a staff of professional librarians, all highly qualified in law as well as librarianship. These librarians are available to assist students, faculty members, alumni and the profession with reference and research enquiries and with training in the use of online resources.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

The following information is provided to students with disabilities. This information is available, upon request, in an alternate format.

WHAT WE DO

Student Services at Osgoode Hall Law School, in conjunction with other offices, programs and centres available at York University, provides services and accommodations to students with disabilities. Students may face challenges because of a physical, medical, sensory, mental health or learning disability. Our goal is to assist students in realizing their academic aspirations within a learning environment that is equitable.

SELF-IDENTIFICATION

In order to avail yourself of these services and accommodations, you must identify yourself to Student Services at Osgoode as someone who has a disability. The self-identification process includes contacting the Manager of Programs and Records, Nancy Sperling, at nsperling@osgoode.yorku.ca, and providing the Law School (or affiliated York University disability office) with appropriate documentation concerning your disability and specific recommendations for services and/or forms of accommodation. You are responsible for contacting Student Services at Osgoode to initiate services and accommodations. You should contact Student Services as soon as you have accepted Osgoode's offer of admission.

DOCUMENTATION

If you are seeking services and accommodations because of a disability, you must provide relevant current documentation from a registered professional. This documentation must confirm the disability, indicate clearly how it affects your academic performance, and provide specific recommendations regarding services and accommodations.

SERVICES AND ACCOMMODATIONS

All services and accommodations are determined on an individual and confidential basis. You should discuss your needs with the Manager of Programs and Records or, at first instance, with a disability counsellor in York University's Counselling & Disability Services (CDS). Forms of accommodation provided in the past have included accommodations within the classroom for tests and exams, technical assistance, and adaptive technology.

Other services provided may include accessible parking, attendant care or assistance with registration. As well, the Library provides services to make its information accessible. If you have a learning disability, you are expected to submit a copy of your latest psycho-educational assessment to Learning

Disability Services in CDS and/or to Osgoode Student Services directly. This assessment must be done by a registered psychologist or psychological associate and it should have been completed within the last five years. Diagnosis of a learning disability should be indicated clearly as well as any recommendations for services or accommodations. If you have previously received services or accommodations from an educational institution, we request that you provide a letter from the institution outlining the nature of the services or accommodations received.

WHEELCHAIR ACCESS AND DISABLED PARKING SPOTS

York University Medical Parking is available to Ministry of Transportation Disabled Persons Parking Permit holders. You may purchase a monthly medical permit (by term) or pay on a daily basis. Medical permit holders receive an access card that allows access to all gated areas that have medical parking permit spaces. Medical parking permit spaces are located in the core of the campus, as well as the following gated lots: Pond Road Lot, Nelson Road Lot, Lumbers Lot, Steacie Lot, Atkinson Lot and the Library Lot. If you would like further information about obtaining a medical parking permit and access card, or for general York University parking inquiries, please contact Parking Services at 416-736-5335 or parking@yorku.ca. Information is also available at <http://www.yorku.ca/parking/medical.html>

ALTERNATE EXAM ARRANGEMENTS

Students requiring alternate examination accommodation due to physical, medical, sensory, mental health or learning disability should contact the Manager of Programs and Records in Student Services early in the academic term.

OSGOODE HALL LAW SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICES

All libraries on campus are wheelchair accessible. Services and adaptive equipment are available if you require them (e.g., screen enlargement software, photocopying, retrieval of library materials and reserved carrel space). Additional services such as voice synthesizers, transcription services and scanners are available in the Adaptive Equipment Area, Circulation Department, Scott Library. For physical and/or computer accommodations, special services or the use of adaptive equipment contact the library's Circulation Department at 416-736-5206 or lawcirc@osgoode.yorku.ca.

OSGOODE HALL LAW SCHOOL EXTENDED TIME PROGRAM

The Extended Time Program allows a limited number of students whose life circumstances prevent them from engaging in a program of full-time study to reduce their courses to approximately half the normal required course load. The decision to admit students to the first-year of the Extended Time Program is made only after the candidate has been found admissible to Osgoode on a full-time basis. Students seeking admission to this program should submit a statement to the Admissions Office as soon as possible explaining why they are unable to carry a full course load. First-year Extended Time Program positions are decided in the summer. Students in upper-years may apply to enter the Extended Time Program at any point in their law studies. The Admissions Committee considers grounds for admission to the Extended Time Program would include, but are not limited to: pregnancy and childbirth; family obligations such as child care or care of elderly, ill or disabled family members; temporary or long-term student illness or disability; extreme financial hardship. For additional information, please contact Student Services at 416-736-5042.

YORK UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS

Services provided by York University's Counselling and Disability Services (CDS) are available to all Osgoode students. These services include:

• Personal Counselling

York students are invited to discuss their personal concerns with a counsellor. In order to make an appointment, come to N110 Bennett Centre for Student Services Monday to Friday, or telephone 416-736-5297. All interviews are confidential. CDS also offer groups and workshops with a variety of focuses and themes, including: assertiveness training, effective presentation skills, eating and body image, anger management, achieving goals, stress management, mindfulness, building self-esteem and self-confidence and avoiding procrastination among others. Most groups are offered during both the fall and winter terms depending on enrolment. Check the CDS website and watch for advertisements in *The Excalibur*, York University's student newspaper, in early September and January for information about groups offered and registration. <http://www.yorku.ca/cds/pcs/>

• Learning Skills

Through individual consultation and workshops, students can work at improving reading, listening, note taking, memory, time management, exam preparation, essay writing skills and academic stress management. <http://www.yorku.ca/cds/lss>

• Physical, Sensory, Medical, Learning and Mental Health Disability Services

CDS provides a range of specialized services to students with disabilities, including orientation to campus facilities and services, provision of academic accommodations, advice on courses and academic programs, referral for psycho-educational assessment, counselling, educational workshops, mentorship, support for self-advocacy and other services as necessary.

Contact Information:

Physical, Sensory, Medical Disability Services – <http://www.yorku.ca/cds/psmds>

Mental Health Disability Services – <http://www.yorku.ca/cds/mhds>

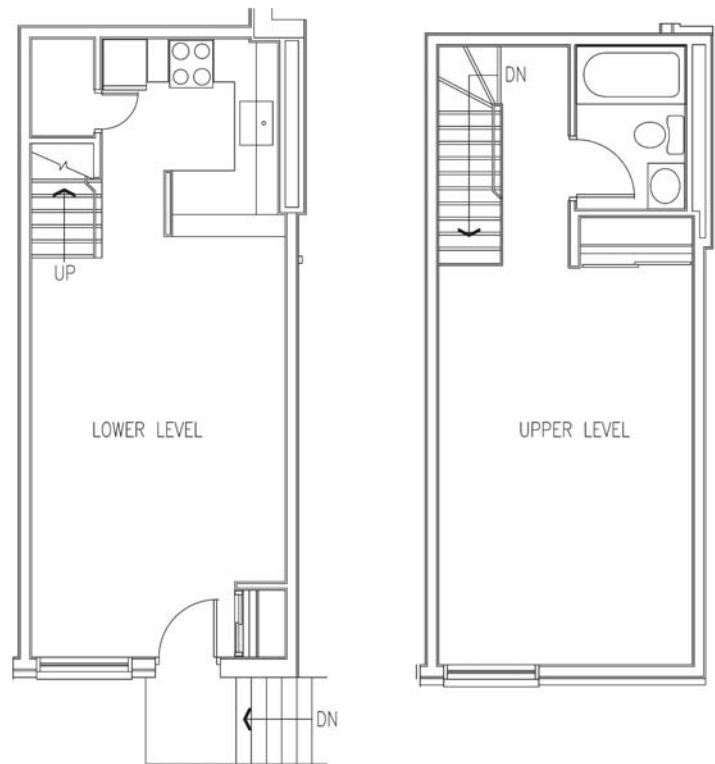
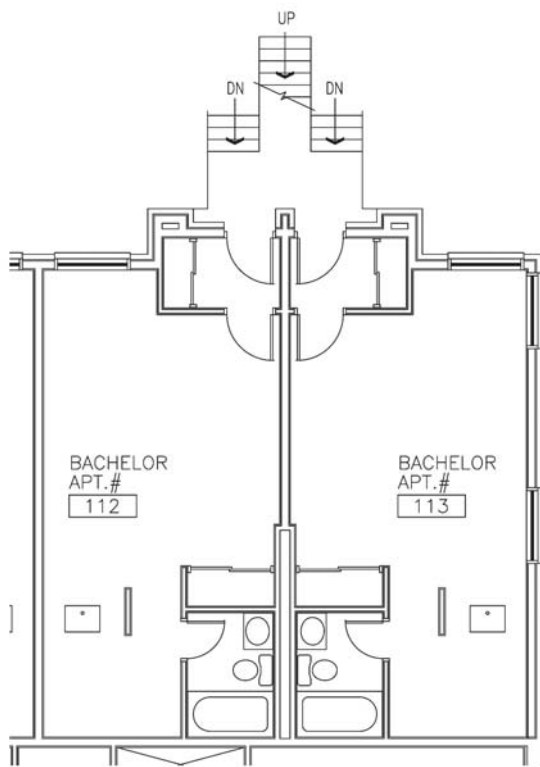
Learning Disability Services – <http://www.yorku.ca/cds/lids>

Keele Campus Locations:

Counselling and Disability Services,
Main Reception, North 110 Bennett Centre for Student Services,
Phone: 416-736-5297

Services for students with physical, sensory or medical disabilities are provided in North 108 Ross Building,
Phone: 416-736-5140





OSGOODE CHAMBERS – STUDENT RESIDENCE

York University is pleased to provide this exciting on-campus housing opportunity exclusively to Osgoode students. The Osgoode Chambers residence units are located across the street from the Law School in the award-winning Passy Gardens housing complex on Pond Road.

The Osgoode Chambers offers tastefully furnished bachelor and one-bedroom townhouse suites in a courtyard setting with the opportunity to live with other law students, both first-year and upper-years, and graduate students. In addition to establishing great friendships and professional relationships from the start, this residence allows students access to upper-year mentors who offer invaluable support and guidance as you begin your legal studies at Osgoode.

Incoming first-year students who firmly accept Osgoode's offer of admission are guaranteed accommodation at Osgoode Chambers for the full three years of study as long as they hold a continuous 12-month lease. Students also have the option of an 8-month lease if they are interested in living at Osgoode Chambers for their first-year only. Suites are allocated on a first-come, first-serve basis beginning in April until June 15, 2011. For more information, visit our website at: www.osgoode.yorku.ca/jd/osgoodechambers

TO APPLY TO OSGOODE CHAMBERS:

1. You must firmly accept our offer of admission and wait for confirmation from Osgoode that your acceptance and deposit have been received. This confirmation/acknowledgment will be posted to your OASIS account.
2. Once Osgoode confirms receipt of your acceptance, go to: www.yorku.ca/computing/students/accounts/passportYork to create your Passport York account. Once you have created your account you are ready to apply for housing online at www.yorku.ca/stuhouse.yorkapts.

Please note: The timing of student activity batch updates may affect the ability to set up a Passport York account. We recommend you wait at least 5 business days (from the date of acknowledgement) before setting up your Passport York account. If you experience any difficulties, please contact the Osgoode Admissions Office.

Why Osgoode? **We'll Tell You.**

Want to hear more about the Osgoode student experience?
Talk to the people who know it best. Get in touch with a Student Ambassador.

We have over 40 student ambassadors from various backgrounds with a wide variety of interests who can speak honestly about student life, learning and community at Osgoode.

Contact information is available at:
www.osgoode.yorku.ca/jd/studentambassadors



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