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### UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO Ontario, Canada

The University of Toronto (U of T) is Canada's largest university and is among the world's most prestigious educational institutions. The university is recognized a

leading institution of research and teaching. The university was founded by royal charter in 1827 as King's College, the first institution of higher learning in Canada, and then established itself as a secular institution by its present name in 1850. It offers over 980 programs of study to an assembly of over 90,000 students. U of T is a multi-campus university, and it comprises eleven colleges, each differing in character and history. The university also has two satellite campuses in Scarborough and Mississauga. With international students enrolled from 157 countries, U of T prides itself on its cultural diversity and as a multicultural center of the region.

With a longstanding reputation for innovation and research, U of T was the birthplace of such groundbreaking scientific moments as the discovery of insulin and stem cell research, and the invention of the first electron microscope. The University is also known for developing an influential school of thought in communication theory and literary criticism, known as The Toronto School. U of T has produced numerous prominent leaders and public figures including five Canadian prime ministers, fourteen Justices of the Supreme Court, ten Nobel laureates, and 94 Rhodes Scholars. Other notable alumni include the actor Donald Sutherland and the writers Margaret Atwood and Michael Ondaatje. <sup>1</sup>

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