



UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO FACULTY OF MEDICINE



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of Medicine of Canada

Founded in 1843, the Faculty of Medicine catapulted onto the world stage with the discovery of insulin in the 1920s. In the 1950s, the implantable cardiac pacemaker was invented here. In recent years, the faculty led the way in the quest to link genes to disease, having identified genes responsible for muscular dystrophy and cystic fibrosis, among others. The discovery of stem cells in 1963 heralded the development of one of the largest global groups of stem cell biologists. In 2005, a state-of-the-art biomedical research facility was founded. In 2008, the faculty renewed its commitment to public health research and education with the launch of the Dalla Lana School of Public Health.

The faculty ranks among the top academic medicine institutions in the world. It established, in partnership with its affiliated hospitals, internationally recognized academic institutions. Recently, a major initiative in inter-professional education with the five other health science faculties at the University of Toronto was established.

The faculty has more than 5,000 faculty members and 6,000 students (in undergraduate and postgraduate medicine, rehabilitation sciences, medical radiation sciences and doctoral and professional graduate programs). The award-winning faculty members, supported by more than \$586 million in research funds in 2007, constitute a powerhouse of research and are world experts in their fields. This allows the faculty to achieve its mission of preparing future health leaders, contributing to communities and improving the health of individuals and populations through the discovery, application and communication of knowledge.

“Our faculty is unique in that it serves a large and culturally diverse metropolitan community through 10 fully affiliated hospitals and 15 community affiliated sites. The depth and breadth of the school creates unparalleled opportunities for synergy. Faculty members represent an immense pool of knowledge and expertise, and researchers have the opportunity to share ideas and collaborate creatively in a socially accountable environment.”

Dr. Catharine Whiteside

*Dean, Faculty of Medicine and Vice-Provost,
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Appointed dean in January 2006*



QUICK FACTS

Founded: 1843

Location: Toronto, ON

Length of Program: 4 years

Language of Instruction: English

2008/09 New Admissions into Year One: 224

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