



TO: **Business Board**

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AGENDA ITEM: **3(a)**

ITEM IDENTIFICATION

- **Enrolment Report for 2008-09**

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION

The Board is responsible for the consideration and recommendation to the Governing Council of the annual tuition fee schedules. The Enrolment Report is distributed to the Board as background documentation to the tuition fee proposals.

HIGHLIGHTS

The Enrolment Report describes in-year enrolment and compares achieved enrolment levels to approved plans, and it includes the enrolment projections underlying the Budget Report. This year's report provides projections for the five-year period 2009-10 through to 2013-14. In 2008-09, a total of 74,921 students are enrolled at the University of Toronto, 66,249 full-time and 8,672 part-time. In terms of full-time equivalents, the 2008-09 enrolment level of 62,934 FTEs represents a 96.4% increase in enrolment since 1973 and a 1.0% increase over 2007-08.

The University continues to see an increase in international student enrolment. In 2008-09, international enrolment increased by 486 students to 7,866, consisting of 6,233 undergraduate students and 1,633 graduate students. International students now represent 10.4% of undergraduate and 11.8% of graduate students.

International intake is highly influenced by international events. As a result, it fluctuates significantly from year to year. In 2008-09, total international intake increased by 12.6% relative to the previous year, with an increase of 4.8% in graduate and an increase of 15.1% in undergraduate students. The decline in graduate international intake compared to 2006-07 levels is largely attributable to the current emphasis on graduate domestic enrolment expansion for which full funding is available from the government.

Graduate enrolment plans in 2008-09 called for an increase of 2,321 eligible FTEs over 2004-05 levels. Actual enrolment on November 1, 2008, showed an increase of 2,074 eligible FTEs, which is 60 FTEs below the 2,134 expansion target approved by Governing Council. This is also the number of spaces that have been allocated to the University in Phase 1 of the graduate expansion program. The total increase relative to 2002-03 is 2,494 eligible FTEs, which will be the basis for capital funding by the government.

RECOMMENDATION

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