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ITEM IDENTIFICATION

Enrolment Report for 2010-11

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 Long Range Budget Guidelines and annual Budget Report. This year's report provides projections for the five-year period 2011-12 through to 2015-16.

In 2010-11, a total of 78,568 students are enrolled at the University of Toronto, 69,838 full-time and 8,730 part-time. In terms of full-time equivalents (FTEs), the 2010-11 enrolment level of 66,611 FTEs represents a doubling of enrolment since 1977 and a 1.8% increase over 2009-10.

The University continues to see an increase in international student enrolment. In 2010-11, international enrolment increased by 617 students to 9,099, consisting of 7,423 undergraduate students and 1,676 graduate students. International students now represent 11.8% of undergraduate and 11.5% of graduate students.

International intake is highly influenced by international events and changes in government funding. As a result, it fluctuates significantly from year to year. In 2010-11, total international intake increased by 4.9% relative to the previous year, with an increase of 13.8% in graduate and an increase of 2.8% in undergraduate students. The slight 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 government funding is available.

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Graduate enrolment plans in 2010-11 called for an increase of 2,733 eligible FTEs over 2004-05 levels. Actual enrolment on November 1, 2010, showed an increase of 2,548 eligible FTEs, which is 186 FTEs below planned levels. After a mid-program review of the graduate expansion initiative, the Ministry announced in December 2009 that it would provide a one-time opportunity for institutions to convert up to 50% of their remaining spaces that had yet to be realized as of 2007-08 between the two pools on a grant-neutral basis. The University of Toronto received permission to convert 263 PhD spaces to 500 additional Masters spaces. End-state targets are now 7,031 Masters and 3,853 PhDs, which represents growth relative to 2004-05 of 2,209 Masters and 750 PhDs.

RECOMMENDATION

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