

Ancillary fees 2020-2021 – graduate students

Mandatory fees (alphabetical order)

- **Benefit Plan Coordination:** Coordinates the administration of the student health and dental plan, including the negotiation and management of the opt-out processes.
- **Campus Clubs:** OTSU recognizes and supports the formation of Clubs as an integral part of student life. Clubs act as a forum where students can connect for information, philanthropic, religious, cultural, social purposes and educational opportunities.
- **Campus Life and Events:** OTSU offers engaging events and programs that provide students with a well-rounded experience preparing them for life during and after post-secondary. Programming is offered on-campus, in the community, and virtually and is aimed at building a vibrant, inclusive and welcoming student culture.
- **Campus Recreation and Wellness Centre:** Funds programming and activities designed to support student engagement in sports, recreation and physical health related activities that includes access to state-of-the-art facilities, as well as individualized strategies for students while at home. The construction, expansion, improvement and operating costs of current and future sports facilities on campus is also supported by the fee.
- **Career Readiness:** Career services and supports offered through Student Life that help students plan for their careers throughout their studies and successfully transition to work or further education. Services are delivered in person and online, and include career counselling, specialist and peer advising, workshops, job portal, employer recruitment and other career related events.
- **Community and Social Programming:** The OTSU, in efforts to create healthy communities and a balanced, just and prosperous society –facilitates, supports, sparks, informs and provide spaces for people to come together, generate new ideas and take action. Nurturing community leadership, particularly through participatory programming, civic engagement and skills-building programs.
- **Convocation:** Services offered through the Registrar's Office that document student achievement, such as the production of parchments and transcripts, as well as convocation.
- **Health Services (general):** Health services that provide student access to medical care at the university. Services are delivered in person and online, and include medical clinic, naturopathic, chiropractic and physiotherapy services, a pharmacy and a part-time psychiatrist.
- **Instructional Resource:** Assist in the maintenance of specialized facilities/ software including the maintenance, repair and replacement of equipment in addition to providing the instructional support required by curriculum.

- **Legal Protection Program:** Through the OTSU, this fee provides students with access to legal representation for housing, employment, and academic discipline disputes and an informational legal hotline for all areas of law.
- **Mental Health Services:** Mental health services that help all students manage the pressures of university life. Services are delivered in person and online, and include professional, short-term counselling and therapy services, support groups, self-help tools and resources, and referrals to community supports and services.
- **Open Access:** Supports student services online and in person such as "avoid the line" Q-nomy registration, copyright compliance, security monitoring and Code Blue stations as well as 24/7 access to student study spaces, including security services.
- **OTSU Building:** OTSU space that houses programs and services for students. This fee is used for mortgage payment, maintenance, repairs, capital refresh, and operating costs.
- **Physical and Virtual Infrastructure Enhancements:** Supports improvements to physical and virtual infrastructure for use by students, including network upgrades, technological improvements, access to collaborative tools, renovations and furniture replacements in student spaces, maintenance and utilities. A portion funds environmentally related projects such as energy and water conservation, waste reduction and recycling and student projects.
- **Sport and Recreation:** Recreational programming that enables students to participate in sport, recreation and wellness activities using facilities on campus, in the local community as well as at home. Programming is delivered in person and online, and includes fitness classes, healthy eating and nutrition, meditation and mindfulness, strategies for healthy living and other topics to promote student well-being.
- **Student Engagement:** Engagement programming and resources that help students adjust to university life and enrich their experience throughout their studies. Programs are delivered in person and online, and include orientation, peer leader program, equity awareness and education, and special events throughout the year delivered in person and online.
- **Student ID:** Student identification services that provides students with a multi-year smart card that can be used for a variety of services on and off campus, including access to recreation and sports facilities, tests and exams, health plan and meal plans, the library and local transit.
- **Student Learning:** Learning services and resources that strengthen students' academic skills and promote success in writing, mathematics, science and engineering, and English as another language. Services are delivered in person and online, and include peer tutoring, facilitated study sessions, specialist support, workshops and special events delivered in person and online.
- **Student Representation and Leadership:** OTSU provides representation and leadership for students at the university to improve the overall student experience and provide oversight of essential student services.
- **Student Safety and Accessibility:** Student safety programs that provide access to 24/7 supports, including a Campus Walk program and Campus Emergency Response Team (CERT), a student first-aid response team.
- **Student Societies:** OTSU supports the functioning and logistics of OTSU Societies. These student-driven groups act as a forum where students gather, on campus and

digitally, for educational and social purposes. Their intent is to enrich the student experience of its membership. Each faculty is represented by one society.

- **U-Pass:** Student transit pass that provides low-cost, unlimited travel each semester on Durham Region Transit and OneFare DRT-GO Transit routes.
- **Varsity Sports:** Supports student involvement in varsity sports teams as sports enthusiasts and fans of Ontario Tech's fifteen Ridgeback teams. The fee includes student community building and engagement, promotions and giveaways, free admission to home games, as well as live streaming of games. The fee provides ongoing support to student-athletes and teams both on and off the field, including coaching, athlete peer mentoring, student-athlete training and development, mental and physical well-being, equipment and uniforms and travel to away games.
- **Wellness and Health Promotion:** Wellness programs and activities that promote positive health and well-being through campus events and activities. Programs are delivered online and in person, and include such topics as consent and sexual violence prevention, smoking and cannabis harm reduction, addiction awareness, and stress management.
- **Wellness and Support Services:** OTSU provides a centralized space on campus for students to have access to a variety of resources and programs, both on campus and virtually, which focus on their mental wellbeing and overall wellness.
- **World University Services of Canada:** Student refugee program that sponsors a student refugee and covers their living expenses during their first two years of undergraduate study.

Mandatory fee – international students

- **International Health Insurance (UHIP):** Fee for international students set by insurer for basic health-care services. This fee applies only to international students.

Ancillary fee you may choose to opt out of – domestic students

- **Health and Dental Insurance:** Health and dental plan that provides coverage to supplement the provincial health plan. This includes prescription, dental, vision, travel, and more. This fee applies only to full-time domestic students.