

# THE BDO CANADA TELFER MBA ABORIGINAL SCHOLARSHIP



CONNECTS YOU TO WHAT MATTERS



## OVERVIEW

BDO Canada LLP has established a scholarship with the University of Ottawa's Telfer School of Management MBA program to inspire and drive economic development within Aboriginal communities. The scholarship aims to support an incoming Aboriginal student in the intensive Telfer MBA program who exhibits a strong desire to improve the economic well-being of Aboriginal communities. The scholarship will include a 4-month paid internship within select BDO Canada offices immediately following completion of the MBA program. The internship will supplement the knowledge and experience gained in the MBA program with hands-on, practical experience with the BDO Consulting unit.

### Scholarship Amount

\$30,000.00

### Eligibility

The applicant must:

1. Self-identify as Aboriginal (First Nations, Métis, Inuit and non-status);
2. Be a Canadian citizen;
3. Be registered in the intensive MBA Program at the Telfer School of Management at the University of Ottawa;
4. Be eligible for a paid internship with BDO Canada's Advisory Services Practice;
5. Demonstrate his/her interest to improve the economic well-being of Aboriginal communities.

### Application Procedure

Students who apply to the MBA program at the Telfer School of Management must submit a 500-word letter as to why the applicant believes he/she is an ideal candidate for the scholarship and how he/she will contribute in the improvement of the economic well-being of Aboriginal communities. The letter must be submitted with their application to the program to the Graduate Admissions Office of the Telfer School of Management.

### Deadline for Application

April 30

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## TELFER MBA PROGRAM

Located in the heart of Ottawa, our school is the proud academic home of some 4,300 students, 88 full-time faculty members, and over 25,000 alumni. Our accreditations from the three most demanding international accrediting bodies (AACSB, AMBA & EQUIS) place us in an elite group of 1% of the world's business schools who have earned this triple-crown distinction.

The Telfer MBA program is designed to connect you to course content that matters to employers in today's competitive work environments. You can also personalize your learning to follow topics that matter uniquely to you. In addition, we share with you the close connections we've forged with the business community to help you build the networks you need to grow your career. Our out-of-class experiences hone the skills you've learned in class while creating lasting relationships with colleagues on whom you can count.

## WHAT ELSE SETS THE TELFER SCHOOL'S MBA PROGRAM APART?

### CONTENT THAT MATTERS

#### A competency-based approach

The Telfer MBA's core content is patterned after the proven skills of high performing managers. These managers are excellent strategists who know how to produce results. They also know how to use data to make evidence-based decisions, and they know how to work with people to accomplish challenging tasks.

#### Personal attention

Our class sizes are small by design so that program managers and professors know who you are. At Telfer you are part of a family, not part of the machinery.

#### Efficient program design

Our intensive program is delivered in 12 months allowing you to resume your career quickly.

#### Our curriculum

Organized in six-week blocks, the core curriculum covers the fundamental skills of high performing managers. Telfer MBA participants can personalize the remainder of their program by choosing electives that suit individual interests in fields such as Finance, Entrepreneurship, Management Consulting, Business Analytics and Public Management.

### NETWORKS THAT COUNT

#### Consulting project

The consulting project provides an opportunity for students to apply what they have learned by working with clients on real problems. You will work with experienced Certified Management Consultants who represent the pinnacle of consulting expertise. They will challenge you to deliver concise, relevant and implementable solutions to your clients.

#### Internship

The internship is an elective for students who wish to personalize their industry experience in the program. It can be done during the January to August time frame, or students may extend their program by 4 months and conduct the internship on a full-time basis at the end of their coursework. It is a research-based internship, which means students will work with companies who are launching new products or opening new markets for example. Research into customer requirements, product features, innovation or market development strategies form the core subjects of the internship.

#### Multi-cultural environment

The unique multicultural nature of our student body allows you to build your knowledge of other cultures and customs so that you will be able to work comfortably in a global environment.

### EXPERIENCES YOU'LL REMEMBER

#### Out of class experiences

The Telfer MBA is not all courses, lectures and projects. You can learn just as much or even more about management outside the classroom as you can inside it. We open a range of experiences that will not only enrich your studies and inform your career path, but that you will also remember and cherish for the rest of your life.

#### International trip

This elective course allows students to augment their global perspective through seminars and visits to companies in key international business centres.

#### Case competitions

Telfer MBA students have opportunities to test their analytic and presentation skills by competing against the best from other MBA programs across the country.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

**Academic Qualifications:** To qualify for the Telfer MBA program you must have obtained a Canadian baccalaureate degree with a minimum standing of "B", or a 70 percent overall average or its equivalent.

**GMAT or GRE:** You must achieve a competitive score in the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) or the Graduate Record Examination (GRE). The average GMAT score last year was 614. For further details, consult [www.mba.com](http://www.mba.com) or [www.ets.org/gre](http://www.ets.org/gre).

**Work Experience:** A minimum of three years full-time work experience is required. Preference is given to those applicants who have greater work experience, particularly when there is evidence of management responsibilities and career progression.

**Language Proficiency:** Applicants must present evidence of proficiency in the language of instruction. Those who wish to study in English but whose first language is not English must present acceptable results in a test of English proficiency. The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), [www.ets.org/toefl](http://www.ets.org/toefl), is one of the approved tests; a score of at least 100 in the Internet-based version.

**Personal Interview:** All applicants are required to participate in an interview with one of the admission committee members. The interview explores the student's background in working in a team-based environment, their objectives for following an MBA and their ability to communicate effectively. Applicants may be refused admission depending on the results of this interview.

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For more information on the BDO Canada Telfer MBA Aboriginal Scholarship, please contact:

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