Residence Admissions Framework – Upper-Year Students

The admission priority of the Innis Residence is to house first-year Innis College students with a housing guarantee from the University of Toronto and those new student refugees sponsored through the Innis College chapter of the World University Service of Canada (WUSC) program.

Students wishing to apply to live in residence beyond their first year may do so, provided they are: (1) a current Innis resident, (2) an Innis College student currently living at another U of T residence on the St. George campus, or (3) an eligible former Innis resident returning to U of T upon completion of a Professional Experience Year (PEY) or exchange. Incoming, elected executive members of the Innis Residence Council are prioritized for admission among this group.

Applicants who have disability-related needs should contact Accessibility Services to discuss appropriate accommodations related to on-campus housing and inform the Innis Residence as soon as possible.

Qualities Sought in Returning Residents

Upper-year residents are an invaluable and important part of the residence community. Not only do they play an integral part in community building within the residence, but they are instrumental in helping new students transition to university.

Our upper-year students are leaders in the community and involved in the residence, College, and/or broader U of T campus. They should be approachable, friendly, helpful, mature, responsible, and considerate. If this sounds like you, we welcome you to apply for admission to the Innis Residence!

Admission Criteria

Grade Point Average
Applicants must be in good academic standing and intend to study full-time throughout the 2024-25 academic year, taking no less than three courses per fall and winter term unless approved in writing by the Dean of Students or designate.

Conduct Record
The conduct record of each student will be considered as part of the application process. Students who have had their contract with the residence terminated, or those on disciplinary probation are ineligible for admission. Additionally, students who have demonstrated based on past behaviour that they have difficulty following community standards will not be considered for admission.
Financial Standing
Students must be in good financial standing with the Residence and University. Considerations will be made for students pending approved financial assistance.

Event Attendance*
An applicant’s attendance at residence events will be assessed over the most recent academic year. This includes Don-led programs, and IRC’s House Olympics events.

Meeting Attendance*
Throughout the year, Residence Dons host a series of mandatory house meetings that address residence-wide and house-specific issues. Attendance at these meetings is an important educational opportunity that residents are expected to engage with while living in residence.

Residence Don Feedback*
Residence Dons will provide feedback for applicants as it relates to an applicant’s cleanliness, ability to foster productive relationships with their suitemates, and overall positive contributions to the residence community.

Application Questions
Applicants will be asked to complete questions as part of the residence application that require them to reflect on their experiences and involvement this year in residence and with the College, as well as questions about their plans to give back to the residence community next year.

Community Standards
Adhering to the residence’s community standards is essential to the mutual enjoyment and academic success of all residents. Repeated violations of the Code of Behaviour is indicative of a lack of respect for the community.

* Applicants who do not currently live at the Innis Residence are exempt from these admission criteria.