



## **Centre for Urban Environments Undergraduate Research Award**

The Centre for Urban Environments (CUE) is excited to announce the CUE Undergraduate Research Awards (URA) for spring/summer 2022. The CUE-URA are designed to immerse students in urban environmental research by conducting an independent project and by assisting other researchers. Awards will be split between the natural and social sciences or humanities. Student applications will be evaluated based on academic excellence (50% weighting), past research experience and future research promise (25%), and the fit of the research proposal to CUE's mission of being a leader in research and training on topics related to urban environments (25%).

CUE-URA students are expected to work under the supervision of their faculty mentors full-time (35h/week) for a 16-week period between May 1 and August 31 at the University of Toronto Mississauga or in the field, where at least half of their time will be spent on an independent research project. The total award from CUE is worth \$8,000.

Each faculty member may sponsor one application, and students can submit their electronic materials via email to [cue@utoronto.ca](mailto:cue@utoronto.ca).

### **All applications should include:**

- Student's curriculum vitae detailing the students work, volunteer and extra-curricular experience and activities
- One page personal statement outlining why the student is well suited to the award, including a description of their past research experience and future goals
- One page research proposal co-written by the faculty member and student
- Student's transcript. A screenshot or PDF printout of transcripts can be provided instead of an official transcript due to covid-19.

**Number of positions:** min.3

**Period of the award:** 16 weeks between May 1-August 31, 2022

**Application deadline:** Tuesday March 22, 2022

### **Eligibility:**

- Any full-time student registered at a Canadian university at the time of application
- Students do not need to be a citizen or permanent resident, but require legal work status in Canada
- Faculty supervisors must be based at UTM

**Covid-19 considerations:**

As the pandemic is likely to persist into the summer, the ability to perform research on campus, within the community or in the field remains uncertain. Projects will be expected to follow all university guidelines related to health and safety.

**Conditions of award:**

- Any publications, presentations or reports should acknowledge funding from the Centre for Urban Environments (CUE) and list CUE as an affiliation
- If an undergraduate research day is run by the OVPR, students are expected to give either an oral or poster presentation. If this is not an option, students must submit a 2-page report detailing their activities, progress, any challenges they experienced, and preliminary conclusions from their work.