

Travel and Hospitality Expenses Report

Meric S. Gertler, President

For the Fiscal Demi-Year Nov 2, 2019 to April 30, 2020

The University of Toronto is committed to good governance and transparency.

Annual expense reporting advances transparency. Fiscal responsibility, sound administration, and conscientious internal audit support good governance.

As part of my commitment to these important standards, I am disclosing online the travel and hospitality expenses incurred in my duties as University President.

Travel expense						
Date	Description	Amount	Transportation (Air Fare and other)	Accommodator Meals	Other: VISA, etc	
Nov 19-20, 2019	Ottawa: U15 Executive Heads Meeting**	\$1,752.91	\$1,215.94	\$504.22	\$32.75	
Dec. 7-11, 2019	Singapore: Alumni Reception, Canada/Singapore Innovation & Entrepreneurship Roundtable, ILC meeting****, Institutional Visits	\$14,184.95	\$12,967.61	\$1,217.34		
Jan. 11-14, 2020	Banff: Universities Canada***** 2020 Professional Program (1)	\$4,745.19	\$4,358.66	\$356.53		\$30.00
Jan. 23, 2020	Ottawa: Meetings with Government Officials	\$964.04	\$937.59		\$26.45	
Jan. 25-31, 2020	London, UK / Stavanger, Norway: ILC Meeting****, Alumni Reception, Keynote address at 2020 Geolnno Conference (2)	\$9,704.91	\$7,472.49	\$2,178.78	\$53.64	
Feb. 24-25, 2020	Ottawa: U15 Executive Heads Meeting**	\$1,522.99	\$1,133.35	\$389.64		

Hospitality expenses

Date	Description	Amount
November 7, 2019	Breakfast - Visit of Dr. Michael Strong, President of CIHR and Senior Team Members	\$84.75
December 4, 2019	Meeting with Members of the Community	\$38.75
December 17, 2019	Meeting with Members of the Community	\$17.28
January 27, 2020	Meeting with Members of the Community	\$37.90
January 27, 2020	Meeting with Members of the Community	\$48.07
January 28, 2020	Meeting with Members of the Community	\$23.79
February 12, 2020	Meeting with Members of the Community	\$97.46

* "The Association of American Universities (AAU) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization of 62 leading public and private research universities in the United States and Canada. Founded in 1900 to advance the international standing of U.S. research universities, AAU today focuses on issues that are important to research-intensive universities, such as funding for research, research policy issues, and graduate and undergraduate education." [<http://www.aau.edu/about/default.aspx?id=58>] McGill and the University of Toronto are the only Canadian members of the AAU.

** "The U15 Group of Canadian Research Universities is a collective of Canada's leading research-intensive universities. Although each institution advances its own research and education mandate, The U15 Directorate works for the collective interest of all our members. We foster the development and delivery of long-term, sustainable higher education and research policy, in Canada and around the world." <http://u15.ca/about-us> Meric Gertler is currently the Chair of U15.

*** "The Council of Ontario Universities (COU) promotes university education and research and their role in preparing both undergraduate and graduate students for success in life and careers. A membership organization consisting of Ontario's 20 publicly assisted universities and one associate member, the Royal Military College of Canada, COU works with members to find consensus on a wide range of university issues and advances them with government and other stakeholders."

**** "The Business Higher Education Roundtable (BHER)- Launched in 2015, the Business/Higher Education Roundtable represents some of Canada's largest companies and leading post-secondary institutions. Although partnerships between higher education and industry have existed in other countries – including the U.K., U.S. and Australia – for decades, Canada has lacked a coordinated strategy to strengthening cooperation between employers and educators. BHER harnesses the strengths of some of Canada's top businesses, universities and colleges to deepen collaboration and improve opportunities for young Canadians." <http://bher.ca/about>

**** International Leadership Council (ILC) - "University of Toronto alumni occupy leadership positions in key organizations around the world. Our International Leadership Councils capitalize on this network of knowledge and expertise to advance the University's international partnerships, attract top talent, and magnify UofT's excellence and impact around the world." <https://leadershipcouncil.utoronto.ca/international-leadership-councils/>

***** Universities Canada is a membership organization providing university presidents with a unified voice for higher education, research and innovation. Universities Canada, formerly the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada, advances the mission of their member institutions to transform lives, strengthen communities and find solutions to the most pressing challenges facing our world.

1 - Invited to deliver a paper, "Internationalization and Geopolitical realities", as part of the professional program.

2 - Paper "Curating Local Innovation Ecosystems: The Evolving Role of Universities", Stavanger, 30 January 2020. <https://geoinno2020.com/meric-gertler/>