

Travel and Hospitality Expenses Report

Meric S. Gertler, President

For the months May 1, 2023 - October 31, 2023

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 travel and hospitality expenses incurred in my duties as University President.

Travel expenses							
Date	Description	Amount	Destination	Recovered costs	Transportation Air Fare and other	Accommodati Meals	Other: VISA, etc
May 1-3, 2023	U15 and Order of Canada Advisory Council Meetings (Notes 1, 2)	92.25	Ottawa, ON	-1796.65*	1,224.40	597.00	67.50
June 20-25, 2023	Glion Symposium, presented a paper (Note 3)	3,706.89	Geneva / Montreux	-6310.71**	10,017.60		
August 16-18, 2023	U15 Retreat	2,286.07	Saskatoon, SK		1,762.45	523.62	
September 23-October 1, 2023	THE WAS, spoke on a panel (Note 4)	20,510.38	Australia		18,591.96	1,620.77	279.74
October 18-20, 2023	Alumni Relations & Student Recruitment events, meeting with guidance counsellors	4,029.69	Mexico City		2,828.06	1,065.74	135.89
October 21-25, 2023	AAU Meeting (Note 5)	3,931.51	Washington, DC		1,521.38	2,290.13	120
October 31-Nov 1, 2023	UC Meeting (Note 6)	894.97	Ottawa, ON	-1208.75***	1,736.54	334.93	32.25

*Reimbursement of \$1,796.65 received from Government of Canada (OC Advisory Committee)
 **Reimbursement of \$6,310.71 (\$5,000 USD) received from Glion Colloquium
 ***U of T receive partial reimbursement of \$1,208.75 for this travel.

Hospitality expenses		
Date	Description	Amount
May 29, 2023	Meeting with a member of the community	84.07
June 9, 2023	Meeting with the Executive Vice-President, U15	55.6
June 29, 2023	Meeting with the Associate Deputy Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada, and members of the community	166.67
September 7, 2023	Meeting with a members of the community	201.37

** Charges includes room booking fees where relevant

Notes:

- #1 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>
- #2 President Gertler is a member of the Advisory Council for the Order of Canada. Expenses associated with this role are reimbursed by the Government of Canada.
- #3 President Gertler attended the 15th Glion Colloquium at which he delivered a paper titled "W(h)ither global research collaboration: The end of the open model?". The Glion Colloquium covered \$5,000 USD (\$6,310.71) of the President's expenses.
- #4 President Gertler led the U of T delegation to the Times Higher Education World Academic Summit in Australia. He spoke on the topic of "Closing the equity gap: Improving Indigenous access to higher education". "The THE World Academic Summit, in partnership with The University of Sydney, focused on the theme of "Collaborating for greatness in a multidisciplinary world". [<https://www.timeshighered-events.com/world-academic-summit-2023>]
- #5 "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.
- #6 Universities Canada is a membership organization providing university presidents with a unified voice for higher education, research and innovation. Universities Canada advances the mission of their member institutions to transform lives, strengthen communities and find solutions to the most pressing challenges facing our world. President Meric Gertler is currently Chair of Universities Canada. President Gertler delivered an address: "Challenges and opportunities in higher education and research arising from evolving geopolitical dynamics."