

Travel and Hospitality Expenses Report

Meric S. Gertler, President

For the months November 1, 2023 - April 30, 2024

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	Accommodation	Meals	Other: VISA, etc
November 10-14, 2023	ILC, Alumni Reception, DUA meetings, Institutional meetings (Note 1)	2,423.65	New York, NY		1126.92	1,146.73	150	
November 16-17, 2023	U15 Executive Heads Meeting, Guest at roundtable luncheon hosted by DM Paul Thompson (Note 2)	1,488.99	Ottawa, ON		1172.86	316.13		
December 6-14, 2023	CUHK Presidents' Forum, DUA meetings, Institutional Meetings	13,223.62	Hong Kong & Seoul		9197.9	3,727.12	298.60	
January 6-9, 2024	Universities Canada's Professional Program for Presidents (Note 3)	4,291.16	Banff		3318.99	673.77		298.40
January 22-24, 2024	President's Alumni Reception, DUA engagements	4,111.47	Los Angeles, CA		3155.41	814.24	141.82	
February 5-7, 2024	U15 Executive Heads Meeting (Note 2)	1,937.18	Ottawa, ON		1219.8	681.30	36.08	
April 6-13, 2024	President's Reception & Presentation, ILC, DUA engagements (London), U7+ Presidential Summit (Milan) (Note 4)	15,102.14	London/Milan		12236.35	2,558.85	306.94	
April 13-16, 2024	AAU Conference (Note 5)	2,640.59	Washington, DC		197.68	2,393.29	49.62	
April 30- May 1, 2024	U15 Executive Heads Meeting (Note 2)	1,139.30	Ottawa, ON		787.33	351.97		

Notes

- University of Toronto alumni occupy leadership positions in key industries around the world. Our International Leadership Councils (ILC) capitalize on this network of knowledge and expertise to advance the University's international partnerships, attract top talent, and magnify U of T's excellence and impact around the world.
- 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>
- 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."
- "The U7+ Alliance is an international alliance of university presidents who engage both in discussion and in concrete action by making commitments that universities may take to address the most pressing global challenges in a multilateral context. It is the very first alliance of university presidents aimed at structuring and advancing their role as global actors across the multilateral agenda." [<https://www.u7alliance.org/about/>] President Gertler serves as Chair of the U7+ Presidential Steering Committee.
- "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.

Hospitality expenses		
Date	Description	Amount
December 1, 2023	Lunch with members of the community	110.67
December 10, 2023	Lunch with the VP Advancement and members of the community	46.01
December 11, 2023	Refreshments with the VP Advancement and members of the community	36.11
December 12, 2023	Refreshments with the VP Advancement and members of the community	58.98
January 22, 2024	Dinner with the VP Advancement, AVP Alumni Relations, and members of the community	685.13
February 27, 2024	Lunch with members of the community	535.62
April 8, 2024	Lunch with the VP Advancement and members of the community	276.51
April 9, 2024	Lunch with the VP Advancement and members of the community	297.88
April 12, 2024	Dinner members of Bocconi University, NorthWestern University, and U of T U7+ team members	784.06