# **STEPUPP** University Preparation for Parents A FLIGHT PLAN FOR

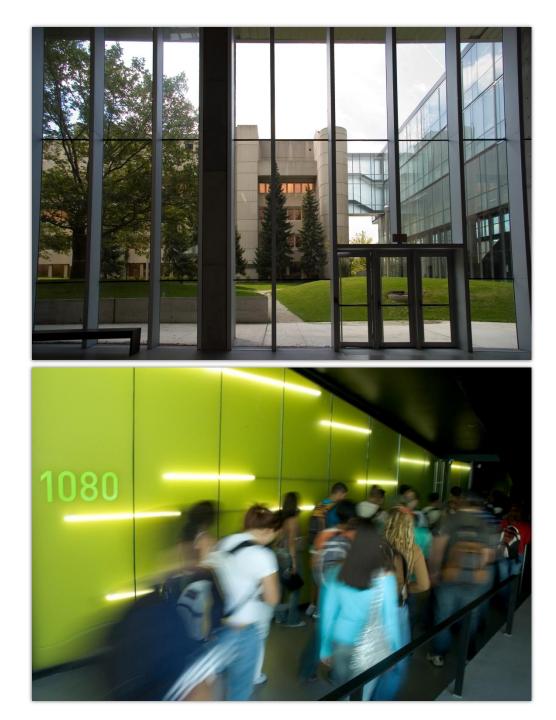
#### FIRST GENERATION "HELICOPTER" PARENTS

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#### UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO





# QUICK FACTS

- Toronto,
   Ontario
- Tri-campus organization
- Largest university in Canada
- 70,000 students
- 10,000 staff



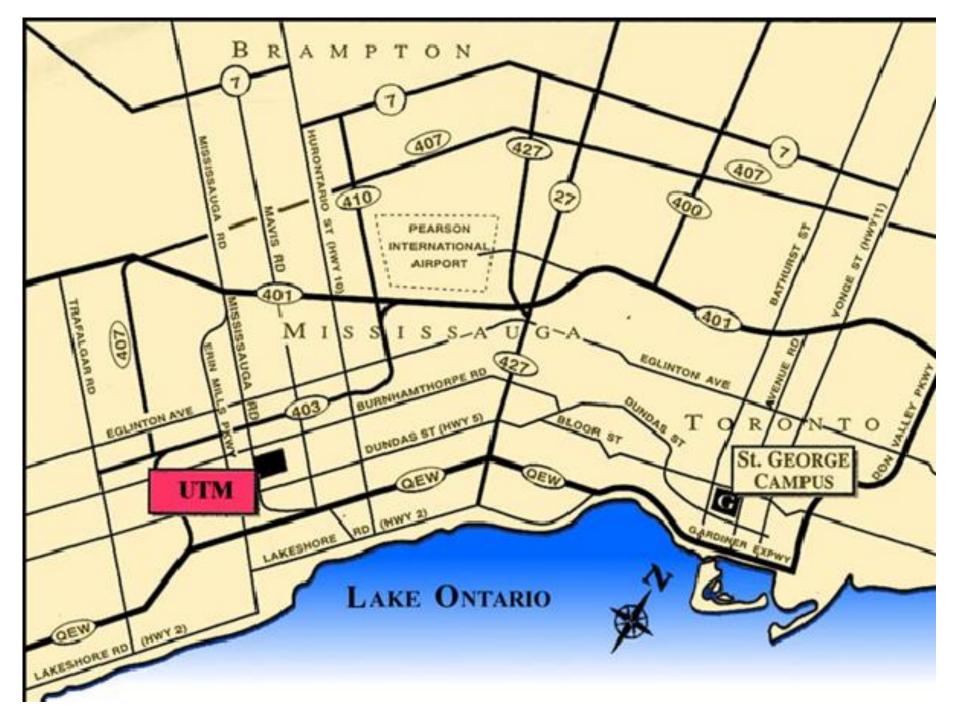
#### UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO MISSISSAUGA





# QUICK FACTS

- 33 km west of Toronto
- 11,500 students
- 2<sup>nd</sup> largest division of U of T
- 150<sup>+</sup> programs
- 1,000<sup>+</sup> courses



### WHY MISSISSAUGA?



80% of the UTM population is from Mississauga and surrounding region



Canada's 6th largest and fastest growing major city – Population of 704,000



50% of population of the region has immigrated to Canada since 1981



Canada Census in 2006 indicates that 75% in region do not have a University Degree



NSSE in 2007 indicates higher success with students whose parents are very involved



#### BUILDING THE PROPOSAL



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- Demographic Research
- First Generation
- "Helicopter Parents"
- Unique programming

### BUILDING THE PROPOSAL





- Multi-generation and multi-cultural audience
- Communications
- Budget
- Outreach vs.
   Recruitment



#### PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT



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- Seminars
- Parent Handbook
- <u>www.stepupp.ca</u>

#### <u>e-Newsletter</u>





### PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

- Guidance Offices
- Community Groups
- Statistics & Reporting
- Mentoring
- Year 1 Transition
- Scholarships











### BUDGET



Salaries

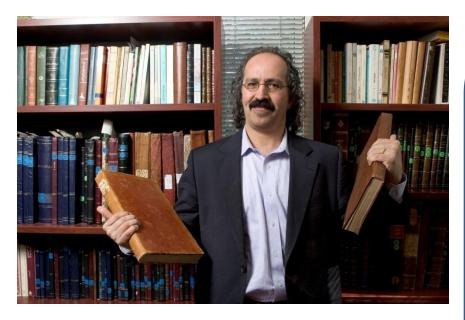
- •Equipment
- Advertising
- •Printing & Lustaye
- Expenses & Travel
- Events & Hospitality
- Scholarships
- Promotional Items



#### CHALLENGES



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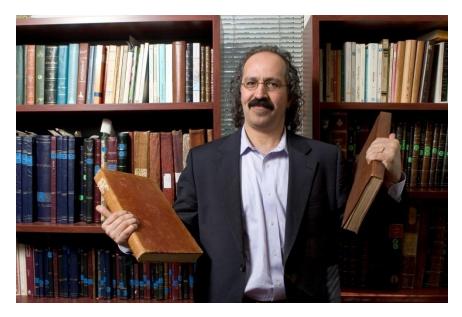




#### Defining "First Generation"

- Disseminating information to <u>parents</u>
- Scheduling multiple sessions
- English as a second language

### CHALLENGES





#### Connecting with Community Groups

- Government announcement
- Budget
- Dedicated staff

 Information needed by all – not just new Canadians



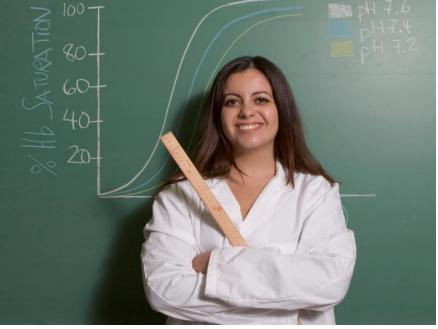
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- Condensed seminars
- Continued community outreach
- Smaller, on-campus , targeted events
- Securing future budget



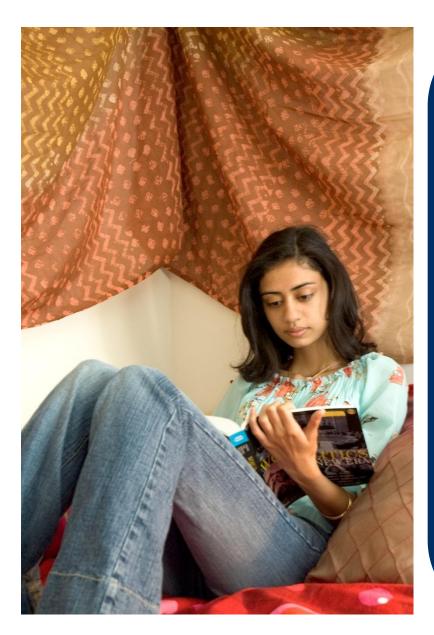




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## QUESTIONS?



# Student Transition Education Program University Preparation for Parents

- 1. How to choose the right path for post-secondary
- 2. The application and admission process
- 3. How to finance post-secondary
- 4. Understanding what it takes to be a successful student and the role of the family



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