**EEB’s Graduate School Application Fee Waiver Application Form**

**Please submit your completed application form**

**by email to Kitty Lam** **gradadmin.eeb@utoronto.ca** **by Dec 12, 2021.**

Recipients will be notified by Dec. 16. If you have applied for a fee waiver, do not pay the application fee until you have been notified about the outcome of your application.

The School of Graduate Studies (SGS) charges an application fee to all applicants. However, EEB is able to provide a fee waiver for 10 applicants. As we would like our waivers to go to the applicants who need them, we ask that you only apply for a fee waiver if the application fee represents a meaningful financial burden to you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I confirm the application fee is a meaningful financial burden to me.

To be eligible, you must have an UofT EEB professor who has encouraged you to apply to our graduate program.

Name of UofT EEB professor: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The Department of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology aims to build a diverse community of scientists; we believe that diversity will make us a stronger and more vibrant place of research and learning. Fee waivers will be distributed by a stratified lottery system that supports our EDI goals. The first round of the lottery will be focused on students that identify as Black or Indigenous. The second round of the lottery will focus on students that identify with other communities that have been historically underrepresented/excluded from our field. The third round of the lottery will be open to all eligible students. Please provide information as you are comfortable so we know how to assign your application within this lottery system. **You do not have to complete the section below if you prefer not to.**

1) Which best describes your racial/ethnic identity? Choose all that apply.

\_\_ White / European descent

\_\_ Indigenous / First Nations / Inuit / Aboriginal

\_\_ Black / Afro-Canadian / Caribbean-Canadian / Afro-American /

\_\_ Latinx / Latin American / Hispanic descent

\_\_ Middle Eastern / Arabic / Persian

\_\_ South Asian, e.g., Indian, Pakistani, Bangladeshi, Sri Lankan

\_\_ East Asian, e.g., Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Taiwanese

\_\_ Southeast Asian, Filipino, Vietnamese, Thai, Cambodian

\_\_ another option (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_ prefer not to say

2) With which gender do you identify?

\_\_ Woman

\_\_ Man

\_\_ another option (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_ prefer not to say

3) Is your gender identity the same as the gender you were assigned at birth?

\_\_ Yes (I am cis gender)

\_\_ No (I am transgender)

\_\_ prefer not to say

4) Which best describes your sexual orientation?

\_\_ Heterosexual

\_\_ Gay

\_\_ Lesbian

\_\_ Bisexual

\_\_ Queer

\_\_ Pansexual

\_\_ Asexual

\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_ prefer not to say

5) Do you have any disabilities? Please mark any that apply.

\_\_ None

\_\_ Hearing impairment

\_\_ Visual impairment

\_\_ Mobility or orthopedic impairment

\_\_ Learning impairment

\_\_ Physiological

\_\_ Mental-health related

\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_ prefer not to say

6) Were you the first of your family to graduate from college/university (often called a "first generation" college graduate)?

\_\_ Yes

\_\_ No

\_\_ prefer not to say