

The Vernon Douglas McCaw Memorial Fellowship

The Vernon Douglas McCaw Memorial Fellowship, which includes a financial compensation package of **\$2,540.00 CAD**, was founded through a generous donation to OISE by a patron passionate about the arts and civic engagement. This is a community-based experiential learning opportunity for a teacher candidate to bridge theory and practice in a vibrant music education setting and develop their teaching skills over the course of a school year.

The **Toronto Children's Chorus (TCC)** is one of Professor Leslie Stewart Rose's partnership arts organizations. TCC programs begin with early-years play-based music education and continue through to advanced youth performing ensembles. Now in its 48th season, TCC is under the leadership of **Artistic Director Dr. Zimfira Poloz**, an internationally respected conductor, educator, and adjudicator who also teaches choral pedagogy at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Music. Under Dr. Poloz's direction, innovation in performance, pedagogical excellence, and the development of a caring community are central to TCC's mission.

Internship Details:

The internship runs **September through May**. Selected applicants will coordinate a weekly rehearsal placement with the TCC staff, based on availability, teaching goals, and area of interest. Weekly activities may include:

- Observing and assisting professional conductors and music educators
- Supporting logistics of rehearsals and performances
- Leading social development games and vocal warm-ups
- Assisting with repertoire learning and group management
- Participating in concert support and community events

Although a music degree is not required, applicants should have a strong interest in music education. You do not need to be a music specialist in the OISE program to apply.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
KinderNotes 1 5:15 - 6:00 PM (Gr. JK)	Cantare - Main Choir 5:00 - 6:45 PM (Gr. 5-7)	KinderNotes 1 5:15 - 6:00 PM (Gr. JK)	KinderNotes 1 5:15 - 6:00 PM (Gr. JK)
KinderNotes 2 6:10 - 7:00 PM (Gr. SK)	Chorealis - Main Choir 5:00 - 7:30 PM (Gr. 7-9)	KinderNotes 2 6:10 - 7:00 PM (Gr. SK)	KinderNotes 2 6:10 - 7:00 PM (Gr. SK)
Miro - Training Choir 5:15 - 6:15 PM (Gr. 1)	Chamber - Main Choir 5:00 - 7:30 PM (Gr. 9-12)	Anima - Training Choir 5:15 - 7:00 PM (Gr. 3-4)	Cantare - Main Choir 5:00 - 6:45 PM (Gr. 5-7)
Spirito - Training Choir 5:45 - 7:00 PM (Gr. 2)		Coro - Training Choir 5:15 - 7:15 PM (Gr. 4-6)	Chorealis - Main Choir 5:00 - 7:30 PM (Gr. 7-9)
Pasio - Training Choir 5:30 - 7:00 PM (Gr. 2-3)			Chamber - Main Choir 5:00 - 7:30 PM (Gr. 9-12)

For more information, please visit their website: <https://www.torontochildrenschorus.com/choir-structure>

Locations:

- **Calvin Presbyterian Church** – 26 Delisle Avenue
- **Christ Church Deer Park** – 1570 Yonge Street

The committee will contact you if selected for an interview. Questions of inquiry can be sent to Professor Leslie Stewart Rose at leslie.stewartrose@utoronto.ca

To apply, please complete the application and email your submission to the Department of Curriculum, Teaching & Learning at oise.ctlawards@utoronto.ca by 11:59 pm on August 5, 2025.