# You are an outstanding urban teacher, and here's an opportunity for you!

# THE WILLIAM WATERS SCHOLARSHIPS IN URBAN EDUCATION

### The Scholarship

OISE is offering four \$30,000 scholarships to promote excellence in teaching in the urban classroom. The successful candidates will be experienced teachers entering a full-time Master's program with an interest in questions of social justice and school success for students from economically disadvantaged neighborhoods attending underperforming schools. In addition to the requirements set out by the graduate program, the successful scholarship recipients will be invited to join the Centre for Urban Schooling and participate in the wide variety of activities related to research, professional development, advocacy and teacher education promoted by the Centre over the course of the year.

For more information about Master's programs at OISE visit: www.oise.utoronto.ca and click on the prospective students link.





## **Eligibility and Application Procedures**

Candidates should apply to one of OISE's full-time Master's programs through the regular OISE Registrar's Office process. In addition, candidates must provide the following by January 16, 2012, the deadline for the William Waters Scholarship for 2012-2013:

- Evidence of successful and current teaching experience in an urban classroom for a minimum of three years
- Two additional professional references attesting to the candidate's exemplary practice in the urban classroom
- A statement of intent (300 words), discussing previous experience in an urban classroom, educational goals for the Master's program and commitment to improving urban schooling and submit this to:

The Centre for Urban Schooling, c/o Professor Kathleen Gallagher 252 Bloor Street West, 10th floor, Toronto, ON M5S 1V6

#### The Centre for Urban Schooling

Established in 2005, the Centre for Urban Schooling (CUS) is dedicated to improving the quality of the teaching and learning experiences available to children and youth living in underserved urban communities. The Centre for Urban Schooling conducts research, offers educational programs and professional development opportunities, and supports

students, teachers and their communities to develop school reform initiatives with a focus on equity for all students. With more than twenty affiliated professors and researchers from OISE's departments, CUS is quickly gaining recognition as Canada's leading research and programming centre in issues of urban education.

To contact the Centre for Urban Schooling please email: Jeff Kugler, Executive Director, at **jeff.kugler@utoronto.ca** or by phone at **416-978-0176**, or Nina Lewis, Adminstrative Assistant, **nina.lewis@utoronto.ca** or by phone at **416-978-0146**.

#### **OISE**

OISE is an international leader in the research, teaching and study of issues that matter in education. For more than a century, our institution has transformed education through teacher preparation, research, graduate studies and leadership in educational policy and practice around the world. Our commitment is to ensure the synergy between theory and practice continues to grow.

Our community of students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends has the breadth, depth and resources to make a difference to a world where education is at the centre of Canada's ability to compete economically, to create social cohesion, and to provide the opportunities people need to make a difference.

#### **Contact Information**

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### **William Waters**

William R. (Bill) Waters is a professor emeritus of economics and finance at the Joseph L. Rotman School of Management of the University of Toronto. He was educated at the University of Toronto and the University of Chicago and joined the faculty of the University of Toronto in 1964. In addition to his teaching, he served as associate dean and director of the Executive MBA Program and as a member of the Presidential Investment Advisory Committee.

He received his PhD in economics and finance from the University of Chicago and an honourary Doctorate of Laws from the University of Toronto for his efforts in enabling disadvantaged students to succeed in higher education.

Outside the University, he has appeared on many occasions as an expert witness before regulatory boards and courts across Canada and abroad, mostly on financial matters relating to public utilities. He was also the co-founder of two companies involved in the creation of software for the financial services industry.

**2011–12 William Waters Scholarships in Urban Education Recipients.** Clockwise from left: Ambeika Sukhram, Jozef Konyari, Melanie Willson, Julia Hainer-Violand.

