

Top 200 Program - Frequently Asked Questions

1) When do I apply?

Ted Rogers students entering their 3rd year of study in September 2020 (or their 4th year if they plan to be at TRSM for part of a 5th year apply no later than July 3, 2020 are eligible to apply.

2) What is the application process and criteria?

The application process and criteria is published and can be accessed on our website at <https://www.ryerson.ca/tedrogersschool/trlc/top-200/>

During the acceptance process, we look at a candidate's CGPA, extra-curricular involvements, and a short essay prepared by the applicant.

3) How long is the Top 200 Program?

The Top 200 is a two-year program. For most students, this will span over their third and fourth years at TRSM, but for some students it will cover their fourth and fifth years at TRSM.

4) What is the Top 200 Program *exactly*?

The Top 200 Program brings together dedicated students from all of TRSM's schools and departments. The two-year program features a structured series of experiential leadership activities, learning experiences and employer engagement opportunities, including career and personal development sessions, a leadership summit, mentoring, and coaching. The Top 200 program also provides unique opportunities to engage with a wide variety of industry leaders.

5) What specific activities and events will the Top 200 students take part in?

- Case Experiences Course
- Exclusive Leadership Summit & Leadership Forum
- Exclusive Learning from Leaders events with a wide range of student leaders
- One-on-one Mentorship with accomplished industry professionals
- One-on-one coaching with André Serero
- Ethical Leadership and Business Ethics Speaker Series
- Business Career Hub Bootcamps
- Engagement with Top 200 alumni community

6) How many students are accepted in the Top 200 Program?

Acceptance into the Top 200 is via a competitive application process. A maximum of 100 students are accepted every year into the two-year program. So, at any point in time, there are a maximum of 200 students in the Program.

7) How much time do I have to commit to being in the Top 200 Program?

As the saying goes, you get out of it what you put into it. There are *some* minimum requirements, but motivated students easily find time to attend those events and more. Naturally, we encourage you to be as involved as possible because the tools and experiential learning activities that we offer you will provide you with maximum benefit and advantage.

8) I am a Co-op student (or in the Sales Leadership Program). Can I also be part of the Top 200?

Yes, a significant number of our Top 200 students are also in Co-op (or the Sales Leadership Program).

9) Can I go on an exchange while in the Program?

Absolutely! In fact, one of the benefits of the Program is that you have an opportunity for one-on-one coaching sessions with André Serero, the Founder and Lead. He has helped several students manage their Top 200 Program commitments while on exchange.

10) What if I am a third year direct entry student? Can I apply to the Top 200 Program?

Yes, but you may have a different application deadline. Please email André at andre.serero@ryerson.ca for additional information regarding your specific circumstances.

11) How does the “coaching” work?

It is very simple. You send an e-mail to André, and you set-up an appointment to meet. The number of meetings is completely up to you. You may come with specific topics of discussion, or this can be done during the coaching session itself.

André can be reached at andre.serero@ryerson.ca

12) When do I get a mentor?

A mentor will be assigned to you in your second year of the Top 200 Program. The mentorship part of the Top 200 Program runs from September to April of your second year of the Top 200 program.

13) What happens after I complete the Top 200 Program?

Upon completion, you will take part in a special Top 200 Graduation Ceremony, where you will receive a unique Top 200 Recognition of Achievement. Your record of completion will be kept on file and can be referenced on your CV.