



*Accreditation Period: 2021-2025*

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**MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL/WOMEN'S COLLEGE HOSPITAL  
& TRILLIUM HEALTH PARTNERS  
TORONTO, ONTARIO CANADA**



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**TWO YEAR PROGRAM**

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2-Year Program	
<b>Optional Degrees:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MPH <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MBA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MS <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> None	
<b>Number of Faculty</b>	
GYN Faculty: 12	UROGYN Faculty: 3 (if on rotation)
REI Faculty: 0	ONCOLOGY Faculty: 0
GU Faculty: 2 collaborative	General Surgery Faculty:
Colorectal Faculty: 3 (collaborative)	Other:
<b>Residency Program Affiliation:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Computer Simulation Center:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Training Labs</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cadaver lab	<input type="checkbox"/> Animal Lab <input type="checkbox"/> None
<input type="checkbox"/> Dry Lab	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robotics
<b>Office Surgery:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Contract/Agreement Letter:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Stipend PGY-5 or 6: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Resident Teaching <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Benefit Package: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
OB obligation: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If yes, please describe obligation.
Junior Faculty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Attending Privileges <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Moonlighting: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Non-compete clause: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Malpractice: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Meeting support: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Malpractice tail coverage: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Other coverage obligations- specify:
<b>Accept J1 &amp; H1Visa applicants</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Dedicated Research Hours:</b>	Hours/per week:
	Hours/per month: 16
<b>Protected Academic:</b>	Hours/per week:
	Hours/per month: 16 (inclusive in above)
<b>Clinical Focus/Special Interest</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reproductive Surgery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oncology
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Endometriosis/Pelvic Pain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pelvic Reconstruction
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robotic Surgery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pediatric/Adolescent
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hysteroscopic Surgery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Neuropelveology

**Advanced Gynecologic Surgery (AAGL Accredited)**  
**Mount Sinai Hospital/Women's College Hospital & Trillium Health Partners**

**Program Description**

We are offering a 2-year fellowship in advanced gynecologic surgery with the goal to train pelvic surgeons who are committed to advancing the field of gynecological surgery. Our fellowship is unique as our fellows are exposed to a wide range of reproductive pathology, in both gynecology as well as complex surgical obstetrics. This is due to our diverse fellowship-trained faculty who have varying clinical and research interests – which include surgical and non-surgical therapies focusing on deeply infiltrating endometriosis, abnormal uterine bleeding, uterine fibroids, pelvic pain and neuropelvicology (the only site in Canada), low grade reproductive cancers, invasive placentation (highest number of cases at a single center in Canada), Müllerian anomalies, pediatric gynecology and a robust robotics program.

In 2020, our program achieved accreditation from the American Association of Gynecologic Laparoscopists (AAGL) Fellowship in Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery (FMIGS), joining an elite group of 54 U.S. based programs and only 1 of 3 in Canada to have this accreditation. In 2021, our program underwent a successful site review, receiving an exceptional four-year accreditation. Our fellowship program is now the largest MIGS fellowship program in Canada and one of eight largest in North America, both in terms of number of fellows and faculty. Our graduates have been able to secure faculty positions at University centers across Canada (McMaster, McGill, University of Calgary, University of Toronto, University of Saskatchewan). Graduates have all obtained Master's degrees and made significant scholarly contributions as evidence by their scientific contributions in peer reviewed journals and their leadership in national/international organizations.

**Sites**

The program will be offered at three sites. Fellows will spend 18-months at Mount Sinai & Women's College Hospitals and 6-months at Trillium Health Partners (THP) in Mississauga. The THP experience will give fellows a flavor of high-volume surgical cases in the largest academically affiliated community site at the University of Toronto.

**Quota**

We have secured quota from AAGL to train four fellows concurrently, positioning us among as one of the largest programs worldwide. Each year we will accept 2 incoming fellows.

**Program Structure**

**Surgical:** At least three days per week will be spent in the operating room. The fellow will be trained in advanced laparoscopy (treatment of deeply infiltrating endometriosis, uterine/internal-iliac artery ligation, minimally invasive myomectomy, adnexal mass), hysterectomy (TLH, LAVH, VH), advanced hysteroscopy (myomectomy, ablation, cesarean section niche remodelling, office-based procedures), robotics, neuropelvicology (nerve detrapments), surgical management of non-tubal ectopic pregnancies (interstitial, cervical, cesarean scar etc), cesarean hysterectomy for placenta accreta spectrum. In their senior year, fellows will run their own fellow OR (1 day/month) with appropriate backup/supervision.

**Clinic:** One day per week will be spent in a variety of outpatient clinics. Fellows have an opportunity to learn gynecologic ultrasound. Fellows will also run their own fellow clinic (1 day/month) for surgical consults to provide experience in pre-operative management, counselling, surgical planning, and perioperative optimization.

**Academics:** Approximately 1 day per week will be spent on academics. The fellow will be expected to complete a research project over the course of the fellowship and present at Departmental Research Day. It is expected that the candidate pursues a professional development course/endeavor during the course of the fellowship. Examples may include: a master's program, certificate course in education or quality improvement.

In addition to AAGL and CanSAGE formalized educational opportunities, during the program the fellows are involved in multitude of scholarly activities. Some highlights include:

- Multidisciplinary endometriosis rounds (1x/month) where we discuss challenging endometriosis cases, review imaging with radiology and get input from other disciplines (colorectal surgery, urology, fertility)
- Research mentorship
- Journal club (2x/year)
- UofT Research Methodology Course
- AAGL Robotics Bootcamp
- St Louis Anatomy Cadaver Course

**Pay Scale**

\$85,564.01 plus opportunities for gyne on-call billing.  
We provide \$10,000 towards Master's coursework.  
\$5,000 per year for conference travel.

**Fellowship Directors**

Dr Ally Murji & Dr. Jonathon Solnik

**Application and Interview process**

While we are an AAGL accredited fellowship, we follow the CanSAGE application and match process and deadlines. See the following website for details: <https://cansage.org/fellowship-match/>

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