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UofTHacks 12

Myhal Centre
January 17-19, 2025

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information a hacker may need!

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Welcome



Welcome to UofTHacks 12! Congratulations once again on securing your spot for 36 hours of innovation, excitement, and unforgettable experiences.

We look forward to seeing you in-person on the weekend of January 17-19 where you can expect to...

- 🚀 Build unique, game-changing projects!
- 🔧 Experience new technology through interactive workshops!
- 🤝 Network with industry leaders for invaluable connections!
- 🍔 Indulge in free snacks, drinks, and meals!

This booklet contains information about how to prepare, where to find food and refreshments, a list of workshops and meetups, and key contact information.

We wish every hacker the very best during this weekend, and if you require assistance during the weekend of, please visit the Help Desk on the first floor.

See you there! 🎉

Follow us on social media for live updates and share your experience with the hashtag #UofTHacks12!

Communications

Discord

Join the [UofTHacks 12 Discord](#)! This will be the main method of communication throughout the hackathon where you can connect with other hackers, sponsors, and organizers. We will be relaying important announcements here as well. An invite to the Discord should have been sent to your email already. If you have any issues accessing the Discord, please email us at official@uofthacks.com.

Dashboard

<https://portal.uofthacks.com>

You can take a look at your hacker dashboard using the link above.

Internet Access

Secure Wi-Fi is available via the eduroam Visitor Access service. Follow these steps:

1. Text Hacks to 1-833-338-7626 to get your username and password.
2. Install the eduroam app on your device by scanning the QR Code below.



3. When prompted, enter the username and password you received in the text message.

Emergency Contacts

Campus Safety: 416-478-2222

Good2Talk Student Helpline: 1-866-925-5454

Help Desk

Our Help Desk will be located on the first floor of Myhal. If you have any questions, feel free to come by and speak to one of our organizers. We're also friendly, so feel free to say hi!

Contacts



Primary contacts:



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Housekeeping

Check-in Procedure

Registration will take place **Friday, January 17th, from 4:00 PM to 5:50 PM** at the Check-in Desk. Head to the front doors of Myhal, where one of our organizers will greet you and guide you through the process.

For a smooth check-in process, please have the following ready:

- Your **QR code**
- A **valid photo ID**
- **Discord open on your phone** so we can check that you are verified in the Discord Server

Once you've checked in, you'll receive your swag bag and can head to the opening ceremonies at 6:00 PM in MY150. These ceremonies will kick off the event, so arriving early is strongly encouraged to ensure you don't miss anything exciting!

If you are unable to arrive during the registration window, don't worry! As long as you are registered and have RSVP'd, you can check in later. Simply go to the Help Desk, where you can pick up your swag and any important information. **Please note, the final deadline for late check-ins is 11:59 PM on Friday.**

Things to bring

- Valid Photo ID (Student ID, Driver's License, Health Card, etc.)
You'll need this to check-in.
- Any medications you may need over the 36 hours.
- Technology
 - Your laptop, charger, phone charger, and any other devices you need to make your hacking experience as productive as possible.
- UofTHacks Reusable Water Bottle (Included with your swag!)
 - We will not be providing plastic single-use water bottles. There will be water refill stations throughout the venue for you to stay hydrated and reduce waste.
- Toiletries and a Change of Clothes
 - Toiletries (soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, etc.) and a change of clothes to stay as fresh and comfortable as possible.

Navigating to UofTHacks

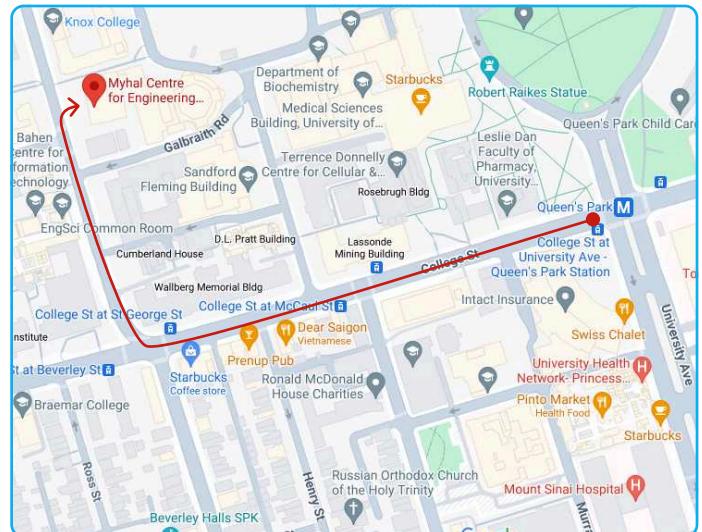
This year, our event is taking place at the Myhal Centre for Engineering Innovation and Entrepreneurship, situated at 55 St George St, Toronto, ON M5S 0C9.

Coming from UofT St. George

If you're a student at UofT, Myhal is closest to convocation hall and King's College Circle.

Coming from Another Part of Toronto or Out of Town

The nearest TTC subway station to this address is Queens Park Station. A highlighted route in red on the map below guides you from Queens Park Station to the Myhal Centre. If you are using other transit, the best thing to do is go to Union Station and then take the TTC to Queens Park Station. St. George Station is the nearest TTC subway station on the Green (2) Line.



Local eats

There are restaurants located near by the campus that you can [check out](#)

Finding Parking

Street parking is available on St. George Street and throughout the campus. If you prefer underground parking, you can find spaces beneath the Myhal Centre for Engineering. Additionally, for a comprehensive parking map and rates, you may visit <https://transportation.utoronto.ca/parking-map-rates/>. Below are the nearest parking locations and rates.

Myhal Centre (Lot A) 55 St George St University-Rosedale Toronto, ON M5S OC9

M-F: Per half hour (all day): \$4.00. Daily max (6:00 AM - 10:00 PM): \$25.00
Evening max (4:00 PM-6:00 AM): \$10.00
Weekend: Flat rate (12:00 AM - 12:00 AM, until 8:00 AM the next day): \$10.00

Bahen Centre (Lot C) 213 Huron St University-Rosedale Toronto, ON M5S 1A2

M-F: Every 30 mins (all day): \$4.00. Daily max (6:00 AM - 10:00 PM): \$25.00 Evening max (4:00 PM 6:00 AM): \$10.00
Weekend: Flat rate (12:00 AM - 12:00 AM, until 8:00 AM the next day): \$10.00

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3M1 M-F: (8:30 AM - 6:30 AM): 30 minutes: \$3.25, Daily max: \$20.00
Weekend: (6:30 AM - 6:30 AM): Flat rate: \$8.00

6 KING'S COLLEGE RD., TORONTO, ON M5S 3G8

Permit parking only before 5 PM on M-F. M-F: Evening max (4:00 PM - 6:00 AM): \$10.00 Weekend: Flat rate (12:00 AM - 12:00 AM until 8:00 AM next day): \$10.00

200 COLLEGE ST., TORONTO, ON MST 3A1

Permit parking only before 5 PM M-G. M-F: Evening max (4:00 PM - 6:00 AM): \$10.00 Weekend: Flat rate (12:00 AM - 12:00 AM, until 8:00 AM the next day): \$10.00

Other Resources to Locate Parking near Myhal:

- <https://findparkingnearme.ca/?city=myhal>
- <https://www.bestparking.com/toronto-on-parking/destinations/university-of-toronto-planetarium-parking/?daily=1>

UofTHacks Spaces

Below is a list of rooms and spaces available to you and their purposes:

Myhal First Floor Lobby

Registration, meal distribution (breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks), and most mini events will occur here! Please refer to the schedule for times of each of these events. As mentioned above, you will also find the Organizer Help desk here, where you can find guidance if you are lost, or have logistical questions.

MY320 Mentor Lounge

This space is allocated for mentors to work in throughout the event. If you are looking for guidance or technical support, you can find it here!

Hack Space

This space is open 24/7 and is specifically allocated for teams to work in.

- MY330, MY360
- Common space on Myhal's 5th floor
- Common space on Myhal's 8th floor

Weekend Menu

Please let us know via Discord or Email if you need further restrictions ASAP!!

! ATTENTION: The food distribution will be staggered, meaning we will be calling each coloured sticker found on your name tag one at a time to get your food.

Fri Dinner

served at 8:00PM

Chicken Biriyani **H** Veggie Biriyani **V VG GF** Salad with raita **V**

Late Night Pizza

served at 1:00AM

Cheese **V** Garden Veggie **V** Pepperoni

Sat Breakfast

served at 9:00AM

Clementines Gala Apples Croissants

Granola Bar Oasis Assorted Flavour Juice

Sat Lunch

served at 12:00PM

Chicken teriyaki wrap Beef wrap Caesar chicken wrap

Chicken shawarma wrap **H** Beef shawarma wrap **H** Philly steak cheese wrap

Philly chicken cheese wrap Chipotle chicken wrap Falafel **V**

Sat Dinner

served at 7:00PM

Protein = Chicken, Beef, or Tofu

Veggies = Broccoli, Cabbage, or Carrots

Carbs = Rice, Quinoa, Udon noodles, or Chow mein

Late Night Pizza

served at 1:00AM

Cheese **V** Veggie **V** Pepperoni

Sunday Breakfast

served at 7:30AM

Clementines Gala Apples Croissants

Granola Bar Oasis Assorted Flavour Juice

V Vegetarian

VG Vegan

GF Gluten Free

H Halal

Disclaimer: "Please be aware that while we offer vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free options, we cannot guarantee the absence of allergens. If you have specific dietary concerns or allergies, please inform our volunteers for assistance. Exercise caution if you have severe allergies, and consider bringing your food if you are unsure. Additionally, please note that utensils and preparation surfaces may be shared between different dishes. Our vegetarian and vegan dishes are prepared with plant-based ingredients, but we cannot guarantee that all ingredients used are organic or non-GMO. Likewise, our gluten-free dishes are prepared with gluten-free ingredients, but cross-contamination may occur, so please be cautious if you have celiac disease or gluten sensitivity."

Note: Water will NOT be provided. As UofT strives to be sustainable we highly encourage you to use your UofTHacks water bottles 😊 throughout the event. Water stations are available on the 3rd and 4th floors (and basement) beside the washrooms/across the elevators.

Schedule



Friday, January 17

Saturday, January 18

Sunday, January 19

4:00 pm

Registration begins

MY150

6:00 pm

Opening ceremonies

MY150

Hacking begins @ 7 pm!

7:00 pm

Young, Smart &
Financially Savvy by RBC

MY150

Ideation & Theme
Workshop

MY370

8:00 pm

Dinner

Myhal

9:00 pm

Magic Show by Magic Matt

MY150

10:00 pm

Secure Coding
Practices by CSSA

MY150

Figma Workshop by MLH

MY370

11:00 pm

Introduction to
Kubernetes by Nivy

MY150

Introduction to React by
UofT Web Dev

MY370

Schedule



Friday, January 17

Saturday, January 18

Sunday, January 19

12:00 am	Speed networking	MY150
1:00 am	Late night movie + pizza	MY150
	Paper airplane competition by Hack the 6ix	Myhal Lobby
9:00 am	Breakfast	Myhal Lobby
10:00 am	Sponsor booths	Myhal 2nd floor
12:00 pm	Lunch	Myhal
1:00 pm	Ubisoft Toronto: Meet the Studio	MY370
2:00 pm	Cybersecurity 101 by 1Password	MY150
3:00 pm	RBC Mini Event - Boba & Board Games	MY150
4:00 pm	Guide to tech internships w/ Ex-Tesla recruiter Jesse	MY370
5:00 pm	Github Copilot by MLH	MY370
6:00 pm	LLM Driven Applications - Intro to AI Agents w/ Open Source by UTOSS	MY370
7:00 pm	Dinner	Myhal lobby
8:00 pm	Cupstacking	Myhal lobby
9:00 pm	Coding Jeopardy	Myhal lobby
10:00 pm	Spicy ramen challenge	Myhal lobby
11:00 pm	Red Bull Pong	Myhal lobby

Schedule



Friday, January 17

Saturday, January 18

Sunday, January 19

12:00 am

Late night karaoke + pizza

MY150 & Myhal lobby

Hacking ends @ 6:30!

7:00 am

Breakfast

Myhal Lobby

8:00 am

Judging begins

MY150

11:00 pm

Closing ceremonies

MY150

Project Rules & Submission Details

This Year's Theme

The theme will be revealed during our Opening Ceremony. Make sure that you can justify how your project matches our theme during your pitch! ✎

Submission Requirements 🏆

- Your final project should be brand new, crafted exclusively over the hackathon weekend.
- Hacking kicks off after our opening ceremony, and concludes at 6:30am on Sunday, January 19, 2024.
 - All code for UofTHacks 12 must be written within this timeframe, except for code sourced from public open-source libraries, APIs, or tutorials.
 - Projects worked on outside of this time frame will be disqualified from judging.
- A 2-4 minute video submission is required for ALL projects this year. Any projects without a video submission will be disqualified.

DoraHacks Projects Due Sunday at 6:30 am ✈️

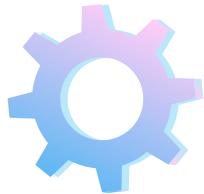
We're excited to announce that this hackathon will use DoraHacks as our official submission platform! DoraHacks is a robust tool that streamlines project submissions and judging, making it easier for you to showcase your amazing work. Be sure to register your project, submit your details, and stay tuned for updates directly on DoraHacks. When submitting a project on DoraHacks, have these items completed (you can update your submission at any time before the deadline of 6:30am on Sunday).

- Project name
- Project logo
- Project vision blurb (short sentence)
- Link to Github
- Project website (optional)
- Project video
- Email contacts for team members (for - registering team members)
- Discord contact for team leader (Main form of communication with team)
- Note: For the contact page the primary contact mandates a telegram account. Put NA for telegram contact, we will be using discord as our primary form of contact.
- there is a password for project submissions, which this year will be h4ackth3sky

Judging on Sunday Afternoon 🏅

UofTHacks 12 Judging is **set for 8:00 to 10 am on Sunday**. You must pitch your project to qualify for a prize. Please note that your pitch must be concise, with a maximum duration of **3 minutes to present and 1 minute for Q&A**, to maintain eligibility for prizes. Showcase your projects, pitch them to industry representatives, and participate in the expo-style judging process. When submitting on DoraHacks, make sure to select the appropriate prize categories you would like to be considered for, with a **maximum of 3 prize categories**. Hackers who fail to do so will not be considered for sponsor challenges. All projects will automatically be considered for the UofTHacks Overall prizes. Detailed judging specifics, including your table number and time slot will be released in Discord on Sunday! 🎉

Judging Criteria



Practicality & Impact

Feasibility and potential impact.



Pitching

Clarity, organization, and effectiveness of your presentation.



Design

Quality of UI/UX, aesthetics, and accessibility.



Completion

Functionality and level of polish.



Theme & Originality

Usefulness, innovation, and uniqueness.

Volunteers & Mentors

Mentors at UofTHacks 12

Mentors are a valuable resource available to you during the hackathon. They are experienced professionals and experts in various fields, ready to help you tackle challenges, brainstorm innovative solutions, and guide you through complex technical problems. Whether you're stuck on debugging code, deciding which framework to use, or figuring out the best way to present your idea, mentors are here to support you every step of the way. Their insights and expertise can make a significant difference in elevating the quality of your project.

You can use the **request-mentor-support** channel on the **Discord server** to create a ticket and then communicate with your mentor in the corresponding ticket under **mentor-tickets**. Mentors will be available either **in-person** and wearing **light-blue event shirts** or **online**. We encourage you to seek their guidance early and often throughout the hackathon. Don't wait until the last moment to reach out as they're here to help you succeed and make the most of this experience.

Volunteers at UofTHacks 12

Volunteers are the backbone of UofTHacks 12, working tirelessly behind the scenes and on the front lines to ensure everything runs smoothly. They are here to assist you with **non-technical needs and event logistics**. Whether you need help finding a workshop room, accessing food, or resolving any on-site issues, our volunteers are here to help. Their goal is to make sure you have a stress-free and enjoyable hackathon experience.

You'll be able to easily recognize our volunteers by their distinctive **light pink t-shirts**, and they'll be stationed throughout the venue during the event. If you need assistance, don't hesitate to approach them as they're always ready to help with a smile. Volunteers are your go-to people for ensuring you feel supported and have everything you need to focus on creating, innovating, and having fun.

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