# Financial Aid Office Blackburn Hall

# Financial Aid Withdrawal Information

### Q. What happens if I withdraw from studies or reduce my course load?

- Your application will be reassessed and your original OSAP entitlement will be recalculated
- You will immediately lose your interest-free status on your Canada and Ontario Student Loans
- You must make arrangements to begin repayment of your outstanding Canada/Ontario
   Student Loan debt SIX months from the month in which you ceased full time
   attendance
- You may be assessed with an OSAP overpayment and an academic penalty
- Your grant funding may turn into loan

#### Q. What is an overpayment?

- An overpayment is the amount of OSAP funding issued to you in excess of what you are entitled to receive
- An overpayment may occur for a number of reasons, such as a withdrawal from studies, a drop in course load, or a change in income
- It is best to repay the overpayment amount immediately, if you can afford to pay the full amount

## Q. What is an academic penalty?

You might incur an academic penalty, such as OSAP probation or restriction, if you
receive OSAP funding and then withdraw before completing at least 60% of a full
course load (1.5 credits each semester)

# Q. How do I repay my OSAP loans and overpayment(s)?

- Contact the National Student Loans Service Centre (NSLSC) by phone at 1-888-815-4514; OR
- Go to <a href="https://www.csnpe-nslsc.canada.ca/en/home">https://www.csnpe-nslsc.canada.ca/en/home</a> to log into your account and process a payment
- If paying an overpayment please submit a copy of your NSLSC loan statement showing repayment
- If you cannot afford to make your required monthly payments, search for repayment assistance on the NSLSC or OSAP website

## Q. I have a scholarship, what should I do?

 Changes in course load could impact your scholarships; please contact scholarships@trentu.ca