



Lakehead  
UNIVERSITY

International

## ***Special Instructions for International Applicants Under the Age of 18***

Congratulations on your admission to Lakehead University. We look forward to welcoming you to our learning community and supporting your success at university. As an applicant who is under the age of 18 years, in Ontario, you are considered a minor. Given your status as an international minor student, there are additional requirements and expectations that Lakehead University International has established to help ensure your successful transition to university and your ongoing success.

### ***1) Requirement to Obtain Legal Custodianship***

As an international minor student in Ontario (under the age of 18) attending our university, you must obtain a legal custodianship for your stay. Once you have confirmed your custodianship, please review the following IRCC website: <https://goo.gl/rnUGyz> to download and complete the Custodianship Declaration - Custodianship for Minors studying in Canada form.

After completing and submitting the form to the IRCC, please ensure that you also send a copy directly to: [immigration.intl@lakeheadu.ca](mailto:immigration.intl@lakeheadu.ca)

For any questions or concerns regarding custodianship or study permits, please feel free to be in contact with:

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### ***2) Expectation to Live Within a Homestay Environment***

A critical component to starting university is ensuring a smooth and supportive transition to life in Canada. For an international minor student, the added stability and supports of a homestay environment within a Canadian family can assist with this greatly.

Lakehead University International expects that all international minor students will take advantage of a Homestay Accommodation program to help ensure their success. There are a variety of homestay providers available in our communities.

If you are seeking both a homestay provider and guardianship services, Lakehead University recommends and works directly with **Canada Homestay Network**. They provide homestay accommodations and custodianship services for a fee.

For more information on Canada Homestay Network, their services and supports, and to apply for homestay accommodation and guardianship services, please visit their website: <https://canadahomestaynetwork.ca/>

For any questions or concerns regarding homestay options, please feel free to be in contact with:

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We thank you once again for choosing Lakehead University and we look forward to welcoming you to our campus soon. To stay informed of the latest updates from Lakehead University International, please visit our website: [www.lakeheadu.ca/international](http://www.lakeheadu.ca/international) and be sure to follow us on your favourite social media channels.

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