University of Toronto/Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering Funding Sources for Education Research

DSF: Deans Strategic Fund (FASE)

Details on the Dean's Strategic Fund are typically released in early January via email to the Faculty, with a deadline of March/April for a letter of intent. Projects must have a broad impact within the Faculty – for example, by furthering Academic Plan goals such as enhancing diversity and inclusivity, or developing multi-departmental and collaborative cross-faculty initiatives. By the completion of the funding period, a project must become self-sustaining, either through generation of its own revenue, or incorporation into the budget of participating units. The intent of the DSF is to encourage novel ideas to be implemented that might otherwise not begin due to a lack of start-up funding. Preference will be given to proposals that bring forward collaborative innovative ideas, as well as projects that expand on current resources established throughout the Faculty and leverage existing institutional initiatives. Funding is available for one year, one-time-only initiatives or up to a maximum of three years for more comprehensive projects.

EIIP: Engineering Instructional Innovation Fund (FASE)

EIIP is focused on course/curriculum improvement and innovation. A call for proposals is released by the Vice Dean Undergraduate on an annual basis. Projects are funded for up to three years.

LEAF: Learning and Education Advancement Fund (University Wide)

The Provost's <u>Learning and Education Advancement Fund (LEAF)</u> was established to enrich the learning experience of undergraduate students in first-entry Divisions across the University by supporting projects that anticipate, leverage, and create positive changes in both the modes and mechanisms of undergraduate education (i.e. it is a grant for curricular innovation rather than research). Projects are funded for up to three years.

ISEF: International Student Experience Fund (University Wide)

<u>The International Student Experience Fund (ISEF)</u> is intended to support curricular and co-curricular initiatives that: enhance the experience of international students; foster intercultural and international-to-domestic student, staff, and faculty engagement; and internationalize the University of Toronto student experience. It is recommended that curricular proposals include a co-curricular collaborator. Projects are funded for up to three years

ITIF: Instructional Technology Innovation Fund (University Wide)

The Provost's <u>Instructional Technology Innovation Fund</u> (ITIF) is a seed fund designed to catalyze initiatives that immediately and directly impact University of Toronto education and teaching programs through innovation and development. Projects are funded for up to two years

Teaching-Related Projects And Initiatives (University Wide)

CTSI (Centre for Teaching Support & Innovation) provides <u>a list</u> of U of T funding resources for teaching-related projects and initiatives that includes opportunities in other faculties and campuses