

# More Teaching Grants and Awards

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## U of T Grants

- Online Undergraduate Course Initiatives (OUCI)
- Instructional Technology Innovation Fund (ITIF)
- Learning and Education Advancement Fund (LEAF)
- International Student Experience Fund (ISEF) **NEW this year!**

## Other grants:

- eCampus Ontario
- HEQCO

## STLHE Awards

- 3M Teaching Fellows
- D2L Innovation in Teaching and Learning Award



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## U of T Tricampus Grants and Funding Opportunities

Applications accepted on a **rolling basis**:

**Online Undergraduate Course initiatives** These are grants done on a rolling basis to support development of online courses or online materials for blended courses (at least 1/3 of course delivery is online). *Needs decanal endorsement*. <http://onlinelearning.utoronto.ca/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/OUCI-2018-Online-and-Hybrid.pdf>

### **Learning and Education Advancement Fund (LEAF) Seed Grants \$5K-\$15K per year**

The thematic areas of the LEAF program aim to support three broad categories of projects within the University's **first-entry undergraduate divisions**: high-impact teaching practices, the development of learning analytic systems and the [President's Three Priorities](#)

### **New! International Student Experience Fund (ISEF) Seed Grants \$5K-\$15K per year**

The thematic areas of the ISEF program aim to foster a learning environment on U of T's campuses that aligns with the University's global mission and profile. ISEF supports academic and non-academic initiatives that (a) enhance the experience of international students; (b) foster intercultural and international-to-domestic student, staff and faculty engagement; and (d) internationalize the U of T student experience



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## U of T Tri-campus Grants and Funding Opportunities

### Firm Deadlines:

**Instructional Technology Innovation Fund (ITIF)** Deadline usually in early November. This fund supports development of educational technologies. TBA (likely Nov 2019)

<https://www.itif.utoronto.ca/> no decanal endorsement

### **Learning and Education Advancement Fund (LEAF) Impact Grants \$15K - \$100 K**

The thematic areas of the LEAF program aim to support three broad categories of projects within the University's **first-entry undergraduate divisions**: high-impact teaching practices, the development of learning analytic systems and the [President's Three Priorities](#) Deadline: **Nov 9, 2018**. *Needs decanal endorsement. Proposals to UTSC likely a month earlier. Date TBA*

### **NEW! International Student Experience Fund (ISEF) Impact Grants \$15K - \$100 K**

Additional information: Unlike the LEAF grant, ISEF is not limited to undergraduate divisions.

**Deadline: Oct 15, 2018** Needs decanal endorsement. Dean will want to see endorsement by your Dept Chair. *Proposals to UTSC likely to be a month earlier, date TBA.*



# International Student Experience Fund (ISEF)

- To foster a learning environment that aligns with the University's global mission and profile.
- To support academic and non-academic initiatives that enhance the experience of international students, foster intercultural and international-to-domestic student, staff and faculty engagement; and internationalize the U of T student experience.

## **Thematic Areas for 2018:**

- Program and Services
- Inclusive Classrooms
- Understanding Barriers
- Interactional Diversity
- Reaching students early

More info available at: <https://global.utoronto.ca/international-student-experience-fund/>



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Learning and Education Advancement Fund (LEAF) grant  
to provide students with greater exposure to high-impact teaching practices

### **Thematic areas for 2018**

- Curriculum design
- Enhancement of student assessment and feedback processes
- Undergraduate student research
- Experiential learning
- Diversity-related initiatives
- Sustainability-related initiatives
- Community engagement
- Application of technology tools in support of enriched learning opportunities

Application info: <https://www.leaf.provost.utoronto.ca/>



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## Instructional Technology Innovation Fund (ITIF)

ITIF's three-tiered system is intended to provide opportunities for technology-mediated teaching and learning projects that explore and implement promising practices at different stages of their development and implementation, and creates a pathway for projects from their initial inception to their full potential.

Awardees have up to two years to complete their project:

**Seed Funding:** Maximum \$2,000 with no matching requirement.

**Matched Funding:** Maximum \$5,000 with matching funds from another source

Match must be guaranteed in writing with attached letter of support. (you can apply to CTL for the match)

**\*\*\*\*Support Stream:** Apply to get access to an educational technology or instructional design specialist for up to 150 hours per year, per project. This is a non-cash award, but it's worth an equivalent of \$20,000 that can be used as an in-kind contribution when applying elsewhere for funding.

Applicants must choose which stream they are applying for at the time of application.

## Important note about ITIF grants

The ITIF does not directly support faculty remuneration.

The ITIF does not pay for basic computer and related equipment expenses, nor will such items be considered as matching funds.

However, specialized equipment that is specifically related to the project may be eligible, so long as a justification for inclusion is contained in the application.

The ITIF does not provide ongoing support for any initiative beyond the initial grant.

*Research Assistant (RA) expenses are eligible for funding.*



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## ITIF Grants

A strong evaluative component is expected in each project and the outcomes should be of publishable quality.

Proposals are encouraged to clearly articulate plans for sustained funding of successful projects. (they won't pay to sustain it, just to develop it)

It is expected that, if successful, the results of the ITIF projects will be meaningfully incorporated into a unit's education programs.

ITIF application information available at

<https://www.itif.utoronto.ca/>



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## Other grant opportunities

- **Provincial eCampus** calls most often come out in August for a mid-September deadline. But others pop up.  
Sign up for their newsletter at  
<https://www.ecampusontario.ca/>  
sign up for newsletter is in the bottom portion of homepage

**Higher Education Quality Council of Ontario** can put out RFPs at any time. These are usually research proposals with specific objectives of their choosing.

Get on their mailing list.  
<http://www.heqco.ca/en-ca/Pages/Home.aspx>  
bottom right side of homepage has a sign up



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# A highly recommended workshop!

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## **Centre for Teaching Support & Innovation**

130 St. George Street, Robarts Library, 4th floor

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[« All Events](#)

## **Strategies for Writing an Effective Teaching & Learning Grant**

**August 23 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**



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# Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE) Awards

## **3M National Teaching Fellows (STLHE)...10 selected annually**

To recognize exceptional contributions to teaching and learning in Canadian post-secondary education

Deadline : **30 September 2018**

## **D2L Innovation Award in Teaching and Learning (STLHE)...5 selected annually. International award**

To recognize innovative approaches that promote student-centred teaching and learning.

Deadline: TBA (likely **Mid-January 2019** )

<https://www.stlhe.ca/awards/>



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# Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Association (OCUFA) award

## **Teaching and Academic Librarianship Awards**

Recognizes outstanding teachers and academic librarians in Ontario universities for excellence in various aspects of teaching

- Approximately 7 awarded annually
- Deadline: TBA likely in May 2019

<https://ocufa.on.ca/ocufa-awards/teaching-and-academic-librarianship-awards/>



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However, don't forget the UTSC and U of T awards recognizing excellence in teaching and learning

### **Assistant Professors and Lecturers Teaching Award (UTSC)**

- recognizes the contributions made by Assistant Professors and Lecturers.

### **Associate and Full Professors Teaching Award (UTSC)**

- to recognize sustained teaching excellence in the classroom and contributions to the teaching community at UTSC.

### **U of T Early Career Teaching Award**

- recognizes faculty members who are effective teachers and demonstrate an exceptional commitment to student learning, pedagogical engagement and teaching innovation.

<http://www.provost.utoronto.ca/awards.htm>

### **Joan Foley Quality of Student Experience Award**

- recognizes an individual who has clearly gone above and beyond the requirements of his/her job resulting in a broad and long-term positive impact on the quality of the student experience at the University

<https://alumni.utoronto.ca/events-and-programs/awards/awex/joan-foley-award>



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