E-IDEAS Affinity Groups

Funding Toolkit

2023 – 2024

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This toolkit is designed to support the following equity-deserving student groups to allocate funding towards their initiatives. If you have questions or require further support, please speak with the E-IDEAS coordinator at eideas@apsc.ubc.ca.

Equity Enhancement Fund

- This fund is for **any UBC group** who can demonstrate measurable benefits to the experiences of historically disadvantaged groups within the UBC community
- Proposals up to $5,000 will be considered at UBC Vancouver
- Successful recipients must submit a report, including financial accounting, upon completion
- Application Opens: Two rounds of applications in the Spring and Fall academic terms

Visit the Equity Enhancement Fund's Website for more details.

Professional Activity Fund

- The Professional Activity Fund funds the following opportunities:
  - Travel & Conferences,
  - Design Projects,
  - Professional Development Opportunities and
  - Other Projects
- Funding calculations are based upon the number of undergraduate engineering student beneficiaries enrolled during the PAF fiscal cycle (September – August)

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- Student groups **must** submit the SuperApp application in September to be eligible for funding from the Professional Activity Fund.
- The Professional Activity Fund application has annual deadlines for Projects, PD Opportunities and Other Projects at the end of September and January every year.
- The fund accepts Travel & Conferences applications at an ongoing basis
- Funding calculations can be found here and are capped at $10,000 per application.

Visit the PAF website for more information.

EUS Ex-Officio Initiatives Fund

- All E-IDEAS groups are considered Ex-Officio Clubs
- Each student group may access up to $**400** of funding per academic year
- Application deadline for events in September: August 1st. Applications for the following months will be review starting in October.
- When allocated funds are exhausted, no further applications will be accepted

The EUS provides funds to recognized Ex-Officio clubs hosting academic, social, and industry / professional development events. To access this funding, complete this form and email it to the Funds & Grants Administrator at funds@ubcengineers.ca. All requirements can be found on the application form.

UBC Crowdfundraising

- Crowdfundraising UBC is a platform for the UBC community to gather funding support for their projects. This is a great way to receive funding from individuals.
- Using Crowdfundraising UBC you can build your project page, share it with your community, and connect with your supporters.
- You can learn more about what it takes to be a successful crowdfunder in the FAQ section.
- You will have either 30 or 60 days for fundraising. Creating a plan before submitting your application will help toward future success.

Fill out your Application here.

Walter Gage Memorial Fund

- Eligibility Requirements: Students are eligible to receive funding if they are:
    - Hosting an undergraduate conference at UBC
    - Attending as a UBC delegate at an undergraduate conference held elsewhere
    - Are participating in an education-related activity (e.g. engineering competitions)
- The Committee may allocate up to $2,000, but the Fund cannot be the sole or largest single source of funding for any project or activity. A group can receive funding for one project or activity per year.
- Applications should be submitted at least 4 weeks before the event's start date to be considered.

Use the Walter H. Gage Memorial Fund Grant Application form/checklist and submit the required information to vpsassist@mail.ubc.ca along with a supporting letter. See all requirements here.

UBC Global Fund

- The Global Fund offers grants of up to $2,000 for UBC student-led initiatives with an international or intercultural focus.
- Applications to the Global Fund must involve collaboration across UBC faculties, programs, clubs/organizations. Community partnerships are also applicable.
- Preference will be given to applications that demonstrate long-term impact
- Preference will be given to applications that aim to engage students across the UBC campus
- Download and complete the Global Fund application form and submit your form by emailing global.fund@ubc.ca by 11:59 pm PST on the specified monthly deadline.

UBC Anti-Racism Initiative Funds

- Applicants can request funds between $500 and $10,000 to support their initiatives that seek to celebrate and elevate diverse communities and advance anti-racism efforts at UBC Vancouver
- E-IDEAS Projects that are eligible for funding may include the following:
  - Advancing awareness and understanding
  - Reduction in barriers facing students from historically, systemically, and persistently marginalized groups
  - Promotion of social and inclusive participation
  - Hosting a speaker or speaker series
- The Committee encourages proposals for activities/initiatives/programs that will benefit a wide spectrum of the University community, and particularly welcomes collective proposals as well as those from individual groups/organizations. Partnerships and proposals with matching funds are highly encouraged.

  Download the Anti-Racism Initiative Fund Application form (.docx). and submit the required information along with supporting letter(s). Submit the final PDF document to vpsassist@mail.ubc.ca.

UBC Indigenous Strategic Initiatives (ISI) Fund

- This fund encourages students to develop strategies to implement the Indigenous Strategic Plan, applicants proposed projects or initiatives therefor must align with and advance at least one of the ISP's 43 actions.
- Proposals must demonstrate relationality as an element of their proposed project.
- Projects can request up to **$50K** over the life of the project, and can run from **12 to 18 months**, with opportunity for extension, if justified.
- Applications open in September and close in January

Click here for some examples of student-led projects that have been previously funded.

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Summary

Below are helpful links to refer to

Equity Enhancement Fund: Equity Enhancement Fund - UBC Equity & Inclusion Office

Inclusive Initiatives Fund: Inclusive Initiatives Fund - UBC Equity & Inclusion Office

Professional Activity Fund: Projects - Professional Activities Fund (PAF) (ubc.ca)

The Super Application: The Super Application | Vancouver | Experiential Learning Hub (ubc.ca)

EUS Ex Officio Club: Ex-Officio Clubs — UBC Engineering Undergraduate Society (ubcengineers.ca)

AMS Club Funding: Starting a Club - AMS of UBC

Crowd Funding: Crowdfundraising UBC - Empowering you to make an impact

Walter Gage Memorial Fund: Walter Gage | Vice-President, Students (ubc.ca)

Global Lounge Fund: Global Fund | Student Services (ubc.ca)

UBC Anti-Racism Initiative Fund: UBC Anti-Racism Initiatives Fund - Anti-racism

UBC Indigenous Strategic Plan Fund: UBC Indigenous Strategic Plan Fund – Stream 3

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