



## GRADUATE STUDIES ENDOWMENT FUND UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

The **Graduate Studies Endowment Fund (GSEF)** works to improve the academic, social, and overall experience of grad students at UW. Over the last year, we have worked to achieve this goal through a variety of initiatives including:

- Funding graduate student-led initiatives that promote social, academic, and professional development as well as projects that relate to environmental sustainability
- Subsidizing expenses relating to students attending conferences and other professional development opportunities through the Graduate Studies Conference Assistantship Award (formerly) and the new Graduate Student Research Dissemination Award (GSRDA)
- Providing funding to support the Professional Skills Foundation Program
- Providing funding to the GSA for graduate student Orientation
- Providing funding to the GradFlix initiative
- Collaborating with campus partners on a new scholarship

GSEF has launched social media channels to stay connected with students. You can visit our Instagram and Twitter pages for the latest on GSEF funding opportunities, previous award winners and opportunities to get involved! Visit us at the following handle: *@UWaterlooGSEF*

In the next fiscal year, there are several exciting changes coming:

- A new Coordinator will take over the helm of GSEF (May 1-April 30).
- Improvements in GSEF's communications strategy with graduate students.
- And most importantly: implementing new initiatives and new ideas for services to graduate students.

**Remember – GSEF is a student-led and student-funded organization.** We could not continue to support graduate students without your help! For more information on how your donation is put to use and how you can utilize our services, please visit [gsef.uwaterloo.ca](http://gsef.uwaterloo.ca) or email [gsef@uwaterloo.ca](mailto:gsef@uwaterloo.ca).

Thank you!