# OSSFT/TARA ENRICHMENT FUND



# **Purpose of the Enrichment Fund**

- Assists members to achieve and maintain professional excellence
- Provides for:
  - Job training
  - Travel assistance
  - Professional development
- A supplement to a member's
  - Personal funding
  - University funding
- Enrichment Fund Selection Committee
  - members of the OSSTF/TARA Executive (minimum 4 members including President and Treasurer)

### **Enrichment Fund Awards**

## **Awards**

- contingent upon availability of funds
- one application per member per fiscal year (May 1-Apr 30)
- \$500 maximum per applicant subject to annual review
- award reflects actual expenditures

# Criteria for Selecting Award Winners

- amount of departmental contribution
- applicant is actively employed in OSSTF/TARA(Regular Full-Time member for six (6) months or more or Temporary Full-Time member with a minimum of 24 months in job)
- applicant must be in an OSSTF/TARA position during the time in which the activity takes place and when the transfer of funds is made
- innovative ideas with respect to:
  - personal growth
  - career development
  - professional development
  - the pursuit of opportunities not available at the University of Guelph

#### Preference given to

activities that benefit the department and/or the University

# **Application Deadlines**

• May 1-Apr 30 or until funds are exhausted

#### **Selection Process**

# OSSTF/TARA Executive

- date stamps applications
- acknowledges receipt of applications
- prepares a summary sheet of applications
- makes copies of applications for Selection Committee

Treasurer informs Committee of Enrichment Fund Account balance

### **Selection Committee**

- reviews all applications
- determines if applications meet criteria
- if yes, grants a dollar value to applications
- if no, indicates reason(s) for rejection
- decision of Committee is final

OSSTF/TARA emails applicant indicating Committee decision

# **Transfer of Funds**

Successful applicant sends to the OSSTF/TARA office:

- summary of the accomplishments
- copy of the original receipted expenditures

#### **Enrichment Fund Selection Committee:**

- reviews the receipt/summary
- determines the actual dollar amount of the award
- Treasurer issues Enrichment Fund award cheque to applicant (or applicant's home department if the department initially paid for the expenses)

**Please send applications to:** Joe Rooyakkers

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