

Explorers Annual & Field Education Funds



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Supporting the Next Generation of Geoscientists at the University of Toronto

The demand for geosciences expertise in Canada is far outstripping the capacity of universities to provide qualified candidates to fill the positions. To meet this growing need and to encourage more students to consider the geosciences as a potential career with excellent prospects, the Department of Geology at the University of Toronto, with UTM Earth Science, is promoting its Explorers Annual and Field Education Funds.

These funds give alumni and friends an opportunity to directly support the recruitment and field training of the next generation of geoscientists.

Field Studies in Geology

The study of geology is unique in that students are required to spend as much time as possible studying rocks in the field. How many times have you heard it said 'the best geologist is the one who has seen the most rocks'?

For Geology students, our field camps—such as those at Whitefish Falls or Deep River— and departmental field trips are often cited as the most enriching and enduring experiences of their university education. Time after time companies indicate that a larger component of fieldwork in undergraduate education better trains students for success in industry.

We want to expand the field study components of our Geology programs and provide financial support to make field training more accessible to students. We are turning to alumni and friends to help make this possible.

Did you know?

Currently tuition and ancillary fees are \$6,179 for an undergraduate degree.

Students in Geology are required to do field courses as part of their degree. The fees for these courses, over and above tuition and ancillary fees, are currently \$400 to \$600 per course.

How you can help

Make a donation to either the Explorers Annual Fund or the Field Education Fund in support of our students and Geology at U of T.

“Field school brings all of the different ideas you learn in the classroom together in one place. And it’s also a great time!”

Kristy Long (Class of 1T1)



The Explorers Annual Fund

The money raised in this academic year will be used in the next academic year to support our undergraduate Geology field courses and field trips. *Although the priority of the Explorers Annual Fund will be field studies, donors may instead choose to support general education costs for Geology students and can indicate this wish on their pledge form.* No matter what the magnitude of giving is, your donation to the Explorers Annual Fund will make a genuine and immediate impact on young peoples' lives.

The Field Education Fund

A number of our alumni and friends have chosen to donate to our various endowed funds which have the advantage of providing financial support to the Department in perpetuity. The Field Education Fund is an endowed fund, the proceeds of which will be used to enhance and expand the undergraduate field components of our Geology program. It will allow the Department to make longer-range plans and evolve the way we train our students in the geosciences.

How is the Explorers Annual Fund different from the endowed Field Education Fund?

Contributions to an endowed fund produce interest on the principal, which can be dispersed as scholarships or awards. However, substantial amounts of money are required to enable these financial awards. Alternatively, funds can be collected and distributed to students on an annual basis for an impact NOW. Donations of all sizes combine to make a real difference to a student's academic life.

“My love for geology was crystallized through the UofT’s emphasis on field-based studies, whether it was a mine site visit in Sudbury or mapping course in Whitefish Falls.”

Stefan Ioannou (B.A.Sc. 9T8; Ph.D. 0T4)

“What better time in our lives during a resource boom to give back and encourage younger people to get involved in the earth sciences.”

Laurie Curtis (Ph.D. 7T5)



I would like to support geoscience undergraduate education and field training

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Section A: Please indicate where you would like your donation to be allocated within Geology:

- Explorers Annual Fund** – to support undergraduate student field training in Geology (0560010831)
- Field Education Fund** – an endowed fund to enhance and build the undergraduate and graduate field components of our programs (0560012768)
- Undergraduate Explorers Annual Award Fund** - to provide general financial support for undergraduate students in Geology (0560010902)

Section B: Making a Donation

- I would like to contribute \$_____ over ____ months/*years to support (*a reminder will be sent for multi-year pledges)
- I would like to make a one time donation of \$_____

Section C: Method of Payment

- Cheque (payable to University of Toronto)
- Online at <https://donate.utoronto.ca/geology>
- Credit card VISA MasterCard American Express

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