

University of Toronto Mississauga (UTM) Student Group Award in Innovation

Quota(s)/year: 1

The UTM Student Group Award in Innovation recognizes an outstanding student group that has demonstrated a commitment to innovation through their campus involvement. This award will be presented to a Student Organization Portal recognized Student Group that has contributed to making UTM a more innovative campus through the delivery of programming, community outreach, and/or activism.

For the purposes of this award, innovation involves working collaboratively to understand a problem, discover solutions, and make an impact by contributing to the betterment of the UTM community.

Eligibility:

1. Open to all Student Organization Portal Recognized Student Groups; this award is not eligible for student societies and/or academic societies.
2. Impact under consideration must have primarily occurred between April 2024 – March 2025
3. Involvement in, and commitment to innovation that impacts the UTM community on a broad or small scale

Selection Criteria

Applications for this award will be evaluated according to 4 criteria: involvement, group development, community impact and a commitment to equity & inclusion.

A successful application will demonstrate:

- **Involvement:** Participation in campus activities related to innovation. You will be evaluated based on the depth (how significant your contribution is) and breadth (how widespread, collaborative, and/or replicable your contribution is) of your involvement.
- **Group Development:** How your group has grown and evolved as a result of your involvement in activities that incorporate innovative practices.
- **Community Impact:** Contributions to innovation and its impact on the UTM community, including the quality of campus life, influencing institutional affairs, developing and engaging others, and fostering a sense of community.
- **Commitment to Equity & Inclusion:** Evidence of a proactive approach to creating a respectful and inclusive community through your contributions to innovation.