ABOUT DR. ANGUS AND JEAN BRUNEAU

The Bruneau family’s long relationship with Memorial began in 1968, when Dr. Angus Bruneau established the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science and served as its first dean. During his tenure, Dr. Bruneau led the development of co-operative engineering programs – an innovation offered then at only one other Canadian university. He is also credited with creating the Centre for Cold Ocean Resources Engineering (C-CORE), which he chaired for 10 years.

Dr. Jean Bruneau has served as an active volunteer with numerous non-profit and community organizations, including the YM/YWCA; Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra; the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador; and Memorial’s Botanical Garden, to name just a few. In 1998, Memorial University bestowed an honorary doctor of laws on her, in recognition of her longtime commitment in public arenas for the good of society.

Throughout the years, the Bruneaus have also shared their time with Memorial through volunteer and advisory capacities, and generously supported student scholarships. This most recent gift has created an endowment that will significantly enhance the experience of students at Memorial.
Applications are currently being accepted for the Angus Bruneau Student LIFE Program, a program that encourages and supports student leadership and innovation in engineering education, research and community service. The Angus Bruneau Student LIFE Program will provide funding for student-led initiatives that significantly enhance the experience of students in the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science at Memorial University, and will support initiatives that would not be normally funded through the faculty’s operating budget.

Applications for funding through the Angus Bruneau Student LIFE Program may be made at any time by students in the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science. Normally, for each initiative, a faculty member will formally endorse and mentor the student or student group leading the initiative, though exceptions will be considered. Decisions about funding will be made semi-annually, early in the fall and winter semesters, although specific proposals can be considered on an ongoing basis.

Applications are now being accepted for funds up to $10,000. The fund will provide financial awards on a matching basis such that students will be required to raise some portion of the funds needed for the project. The level of matching will be decided by the Proposal Review Committee (PRC) to oversee the Angus Bruneau Student LIFE Program, on a project-by-project basis.

In addition to the financial awards, it is proposed that the Angus Bruneau Student LIFE Program will sponsor an annual Leadership and Innovation Forum.

The application form is available at: www.engr.mun.ca

OVERVIEW OF THE ANGUS BRUNEAU STUDENT LIFE PROGRAM

AWARD CATEGORIES

LEADERSHIP AND INNOVATION IN COMMUNITY SERVICE
Proposals will be accepted for initiatives that demonstrate leadership and innovation among engineering students and which enhance the image of engineering in our community. Examples of innovative community activities include Engineers Without Borders and WISE-UP, which represent innovative approaches to significant community (local, national or international) challenges (e.g. international development and gender diversity within the engineering profession).

LEADERSHIP AND INNOVATION IN ENGINEERING EDUCATION
Proposals will be accepted for initiatives that demonstrate leadership and innovation in engineering education and enhancement of the education experience. Areas of particular interest include national and international design competitions, initiatives that enhance access (e.g. school outreach) and student success in the program (e.g. student-run help centres), innovations in engineering design education (e.g. student-run design competition in the local community), technological entrepreneurship by students, and other curriculum enhancements through initiatives of students (e.g. leadership development forum, engineering and society seminars, technical communication events – debates or public speaking).

LEADERSHIP AND INNOVATION IN ENGINEERING RESEARCH
Proposals will be accepted for initiatives that demonstrate leadership and innovation among graduate students in engineering research and its transfer into industry. Areas of particular interest include student-run initiatives to link industry with graduate students (e.g. research project fairs), business start-up activities by graduate students, travel funding for paper awards by graduate students, and support for graduate students involved in national or international competitions.