In a way, we don’t care about success. We care about learning.

The ENGINEERING INNOVATION FUND supports programming and projects for entrepreneurially minded students within the Centre of Engineering Leadership and Innovation. The fund provides relatively small dollars – amounts impossible to secure from traditional funding agencies – to students, teams, organizations, and individuals to create or accomplish something just out of reach.

The INNOVATION FUND is specifically designed to help those who have the initiative but need the funds to develop as entrepreneurs through experience.

So, yes, we are funding that first failure. And that first collaboration. And that first idea. That first prototype. That first conference. That first time standing in front of a room convincing others your idea is the idea.

These are small investments today in big possibilities for tomorrow.

To support the ENGINEERING INNOVATION FUND, contact Terra Ahrens at tahrens@uwo.ca or 519-661-2111 ext. 83743.
“Support for the Entrepreneurial Spirit Awards has helped students like Mitchell Godkin with Leadbury Bats explore his entrepreneurial ambition. I am pleased that support for these awards is helping establish a tradition in this area.”

Gary Mottershead, BESc’75, MBA’77
President, GCP Industrial Products

“Supporting SheHacks is enabling young women to experience hackathons and develop their technical and team skills, which in turn is revolutionizing the tech industry.”

Wayne Kozun, BESc’88, MBA’93
Chief Investment Officer, Forthlane Partners

“Small donations make a huge impact on student clubs. Without support we could not have built a prototype hydroponic growing system for basil and alfalfa sprouts. We plan to use this product validation to grow the club to new heights next year.”

Josh Reding
Integrated Engineering Candidate
President, AgTech UWO