



### **SGA Educational Fund – Supported Activities**

The purpose of **SGA Educational Fund (SGA EF)** is to support education in mineral deposit geology. As expressed in the *Terms of Reference* for the **SGA Educational Fund**, the objectives of this **Fund** are:

- 1) to support student, and professionals from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, participation to national and international scientific meetings organized or sponsored by the SGA, and to interact with high-quality professional geoscientists there;
- 2) to support student, and professionals from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, participation in field trips, workshops and short courses sponsored by the SGA;
- 3) to support SGA-sponsored activities for students and professionals from economically disadvantaged backgrounds.

SGA EF sponsorship is a seal of approval of the scientific validity of the training activities in relation to understanding mineral deposit formation and how to explore to find new mineral deposits.

The SGA's EF Committee is responsible for the management of the SGA EF funds; fund raising from the industry and from the SGA members through mailings, personal contacts and the SGA webpage, wise investment of SGA EF capital, and recognition of the generosity of SGA EF's donors.

The SGA EF exclusively supports activities under the scope of the objectives referred to above, which have been approved by the SGA Council. The extent of financial support to be granted is decided by the SGA's EF Committee. SGA Council will select applications for financial support to the SGA EF based on merit.

Some activities considered eligible for financial support by the SGA Educational Fund include:

- i) Travel grants to allow graduate students and professionals from economically disadvantaged backgrounds to attend, and actively contribute to SGA Biennial Meetings and to interact with high-quality professional geoscientists;
- ii) Financial support to graduate students and professionals from economically disadvantaged backgrounds to participate in field trips, conferences, workshops, short courses, or other activities of further training or skills development sponsored by the SGA, including SGA student chapter activities approved by SGA Council.