

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

## PPEF – 6T6 Industrial Engineering 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Award in Healthcare Engineering

The Centre for Healthcare Engineering (CHE) is very pleased to announce a new award for Ph.D. students studying industrial engineering at the Faculty of Applied Science & Engineering at the University of Toronto, whose research is focused on healthcare engineering.

This new award has been made possible by a generous donation from the Industrial Engineering class of 6T6, which was matched by the Provost's PhD Enhancement Fund (PPEF).

Commencing in the Autumn semester of 2016, each year one PhD student who excels in the use of industrial engineering principles and techniques to create innovative solutions for the healthcare industry will receive the award. Representatives of the IndE class of 6T6 will initially be participating in the selection process.

Industrial Engineering currently encompasses the consideration of operations research and management, information engineering, or human factors, in the design and optimization of systems, processes, equipment, interfaces or working environments to improve productivity or efficiency. This approach has been successfully used to seek solutions for many challenges faced in healthcare systems, which have improved patient experience, organizational effectiveness or policy development, among others.

## **Eligibility**

Students in the Ph.D. program who maintain good academic standing and whose thesis topic is related to the application of industrial engineering principles to healthcare engineering can apply.

## **Application**

Information is available at the Graduate Office of the Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering. The call for applications is usually announced in October, and the recipient(s) will be notified by December.

IndE class 6T6: The graduates of 1966 have met regularly over the past decades, and are proud to contribute to the future development of industrial engineering expertise for the healthcare sector.

PPEF: To help fund graduate students at the University of Toronto, the Provost dedicated a substantial budget to match endowed donations according to a set of eligibility criteria.

CHE: The Centre bridges academia and the healthcare industry by conducting pioneering research, providing educational opportunities for students and practitioners, and by translating research findings into practice.