

Men's and Women's Hockey Program Enhancement

The University of Guelph has a rich history of excellence in hockey, in order to maintain the high standard the program is seeking to redevelop our locker rooms, enhance our assistant coaching and provide further support for equipment for our student-athletes.

The Athletics department is looking to raise \$650,000 to help make Guelph Ontario's Hockey University.

Impact Statement:

There is significant evidence that competing in varsity sports has a long lasting impact on student athletes. A 2015 Ernst and Young study of high-level business executives found that 52% of C-suite level females played university level sports. This same study identified that sport improved social, emotional and moral competencies as well as developing resiliency, the ability to work in teams and connect with your community.

Over the past few years, the U of G has significantly invested in its athletics facilities. The hockey programs have not directly benefitted even though they have been some of our most successful teams. Renovated facilities, new equipment and support for coaching will go a long way to support our hockey student-athletes.



Goals:

The locker rooms are significantly dated and do not meet the needs of the teams, this project will redevelop the locker rooms into something that will attract the next generation of Gryphon stars. The primary focus of the equipment fund will be to purchase skates for the players. U of G is one of a few universities in the country that do not supply their athletes with this critical piece of equipment. The University of Guelph is blessed to have some of the finest coaches in the OUA and some phenomenal assistant coaches. Through this fundraising campaign we will have the resources to retain these incredible coaches.

Support raised will:

- Renovate locker rooms
- Provide equipment funds for the next 5 years
- Bridge a funding gap to maintain assistant coaching positions for both teams

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