

Achieving Innovation and Manufacturing Excellence (AIME)

Program Description:

The Advancing Innovation Manufacturing Excellence (AIME) program is in larger partnership with the Yves Landry Foundation. The purpose of this program is to strengthen Southern Ontario's manufacturing abilities by encouraging training to sustain innovation. New innovative products, processes and procedures need to be supported to contribute to the improved competitiveness and productivity of the Southern Ontario economy. Moreover, the promotion of the development of a new culture and a highly skilled workforce in Southern Ontario industry is essential in recognizing manufacturing capabilities and supporting innovation.

Fundamentally its goal is to ensure that Ontario's manufacturing companies continue to remain focused on innovation as a necessity of business success. The Federal Economic Development Agency (FedDev) recognized the tough competitive situation facing Ontario's manufactures and established the AIME program through the Yves Landry Foundation.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Proposals must be for training to support innovation in any area that will enhance competitiveness of a Southern Ontario based manufacturing company.
- Training can only be provided to company employees that are currently working and will continue after the training has concluded.
- Participants must have between 15 and 1500 employees; continuously be in business in Southern Ontario for at least 3 years with a solid financial footing ; and must manufacture a specific product for sale in Ontario.

Funding:

The funding provided by YLF and FedDev will not exceed 50% of direct and indirect costs to a maximum total contribution of \$50,000.

Miscellaneous/Other Information:

- Priority will be given to companies who have not previously been recipients of FedDev supported AIME funding.
- For more application details and program information, visit the YLF website.

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