Building the Future Today

The biggest fundraising campaign in UQAT's history!
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“Be part of the biggest fundraising campaign in UQAT’s history and build the future with us, here and now!”

“Today, UQAT is among the top-performing research universities in Canada, recognized as a leader in many fields, and has been able to play a major role on the world stage. After nearly 40 years, UQAT has reached a peak, a point at which significant investment has now proven to be necessary. We have a number of large-scale projects ahead of us, the results of strategic planning undertaken together with the communities we serve. Yet to come are some major investments, and the fundraising campaign is an important catalyst for reaching our goals!”

VINCENT ROUSSON
UQAT Rector
CLAIRE BOLDUC, C.Q., AGRONOMIST
Reeve, Témiscamingue RCM
Holder of an Honoris Causa Doctorate in Science, 2021
“In the midst of the unusual times we live in, we are aware, now more than ever, of the importance of our territories, and of the differences that make each of them unique, just as we recognize the quality of life we have available to us, in these regions.”

JEAN-YVES BOURGEOIS
Senior Vice-President, Desjardins Business and Institutional Services
“Desjardins is proud to be a partner in this major campaign which will help the Fondation to raise the additional funding needed to put the Université in an even better position for the future.”

FRANÇOIS GENDRON
Pioneer and prominent figure at UQAT, holder of an Honoris Cause Doctorate from UQAT
“Throughout this historic campaign, let’s continue to dream big, because education is the key to society’s growth!”

LOUISE GRONDIN, ING.
Member, Board of Directors, Champion Iron Limited
First Woman at the Senior Executive Level, Agnico Eagle, Recipient of the Career Prize in the Environment
“It is our duty to come up with innovative solutions so that we can continue to responsibly develop our natural resources and to equip ourselves with leading-edge technology. Together, we’ll meet the biggest challenges of today and tomorrow!”

LISE KISTABISH
Director of Education, Employment, and Social Development, Abitibiwinni First Nation Band Council
“Recognized for its culturally-appropriate programs and the various research projects for, by, and with Indigenous peoples, UQAT has been a participant in the reconciliation between peoples. Involvement in this campaign is a demonstration of our commitment to support and consolidate its role as an agent of change, a role it has played for 40 years.”
16 major projects that have significant impacts across all of UQAT’s anchoring territories

ALL REGIONS

ABITIBI-TÉMISCAMINGUE

EEYOU ISTCHEE JAMES BAY

LA SARRE

AMOS

ROUYN-NORANDA

NOTRE-DAME-DU-NORD

CHIBOUGAMAU

MATAGAMI

VAL-D’OR

MONT-LAURIER

MANIWAKI

MONTREAL

SUPPORTING STUDENTS

SUPPORTING RESEARCH

SUPPORTING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS
Building the Future Today, is taking part in the realization of 16 projects worth close to $160 million.

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<td>Provides generous scholarships to various student populations, ensuring student retention, continuation of studies, and graduation.</td>
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<td>Chair in Small Community Development</td>
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<td>Research and support activities for the purpose of helping small communities take control of their growth. Organization of knowledge mobilization activities and provision of student scholarships.</td>
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<td>This Chair is structured around four interrelated areas that affect Indigenous peoples’ health. The first area explores Indigenous lifestyle habits and chronic illnesses, the second area deals with Indigenous roles, ancestral transitions, and life journeys; the third area is dedicated to recognizing Indigenous cultural knowledge in modern health-care spaces; the fourth and last area addresses holistic environments favourable to the growth of Indigenous communities.</td>
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<td>A new research chair centred around connectivity and the challenges of the mining industry in the era of the smart, environmentally-responsible mine oriented towards the development of deep mining.</td>
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<td>Implementation of a specialized agricultural network that will rally regional stakeholders (producers, processors, distributors, etc.) around the expansion of large-scale organic farming in the territory. This new network will position Abitibi-Témiscamingue as a leader in organic farming at the provincial, national, and even international levels.</td>
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<td>Creation of a research laboratory whose mission will be to develop cutting-edge interdisciplinary knowledge related to the process of social acceptability of natural resource valorization projects, and to design operational mechanisms for consensus around social acceptability.</td>
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<td>Monitoring of a variety of issues related to development of the territory of Eeyou Istchee James Bay. Production, compilation, analysis, and dissemination of data for the purpose of making informed decisions.</td>
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<td>Construction of a laboratory and offices at the FERLD Teaching and Research Forest station, expansion of its accommodation building and construction of a garage to make it easier to maintain the mobile equipment used for the work of the new International Research Laboratory on Cold Forests.</td>
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<td>A laboratory, intended for the performance of heavy work essential to the development and growth of research teams in forestry, aquatic ecology, and hydrogeology on the campus in Amos. A residence to house students who are part of these research teams. This new and essential infrastructure will position UQAT strategically in terms of research development in Abitibi-Témiscamingue and the Nord-du-Québec region.</td>
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<td>Creation of a research, industrial services and partner centre to promote innovation, the provision of expertise, as well as skill development, and to acquaint students with realities in the field.</td>
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UQAT, a human centred, creative, and audacious university, growing fast!

Mission
Accessible and outward-looking, Université du Québec en Abitibi-Témiscamingue (UQAT) uses its multitude of resources and partnerships and its aptitude for innovation to create, transmit, and apply a wide range of knowledge and foster skill development, fueling growth among individuals and communities at home, across the country, and around the world.

Vision
UQAT is a close-knit university that values every member of its community and is profoundly committed to their performance and success. It is a recognized leader in teaching and research known for the development and deployment of pedagogical, environmental, technological, scientific, social, economic, and cultural innovations. UQAT is an inclusive university that is constantly expanding and improving for, with, and in response to its community, its environment, and its partners at home, across the country, and around the world.

Values
UQAT puts people at the heart of its strategy and decisions by welcoming, listening, and building close ties, by respecting differences, and by investing in what’s good for the community and society.

UQAT fosters discussions that lead to innovation and discovery—that welcome curiosity as a source of wealth and change as an opportunity to excel.

UQAT is helping to forge a strong future for our communities, in Quebec and elsewhere, while daring to do things differently in the pursuit of excellence and according to the principles of sustainable, inclusive development.
UQAT is:

- **Essential for the training of highly-qualified personnel**
  - Close to 7,000 students
  - An annual average of 500 international students of more than 40 nationalities
  - Nearly 22,000 graduates who actively participate in society’s growth
  - 150 programs at undergraduate, graduate, and postgraduate levels

- **A presence with deep roots in its territories**
  - Amos, Rouyn-Noranda, Val-d’Or, Abitibi-Ouest, Témiscamingue, Mont-Laurier, Montréal, Chibougamau and everywhere in Quebec thanks to distance education

### HUMAN-CENTRED

>>> CREATIVE

>>> AUDACIOUS

- **A vital employer in its home communities**
  - Close to 500 professors and sessional lecturers as well as 300 non-teaching staff

- **An exceptional place to do research**
  - A university ranked among the Top 50 best Canadian research universities and ranked among the top 3 Canadian undergraduate universities with the highest research income
  - Research institutes as well as researchers that have global recognition
  - 16 Research Chairs and a research volume of more than $16M per year

* 2021 ranking from independent firm RESEARCH Infosource Inc.*
Our Mission

The Fondation de l’Université du Québec en Abitibi-Témiscamingue (FUQAT) promotes and supports access to education, continuation, and successful completion of academic studies for UQAT students. It also provides UQAT with the additional means to fulfill its teaching and research missions, and provide services to the wider community.

Since its founding, the Fondation de l’UQAT has raised more than $20 million in support of research and awarded more than $3 million in academic scholarships.

“For close to 40 years, the Fondation has supported UQAT in its involvement in the socioeconomic development and growth of its home communities, an impulse that extends across the country, and across the globe. An undeniable lever, the Fondation has contributed to the global recognition that UQAT enjoys today in several niches of excellence.

In a situation where societies across the world have recourse to the highest of learning, to meet the biggest of challenges, we’re particularly proud that our territories have a university close to home with the expertise related to these crucial issues. Think of climate change, of the unprecedented rise of digital technology, of the issues pertaining to Indigenous communities, and of the issues related to health and education. These are but a few of many examples. Thanks to this expertise, UQAT plays a major role in building a better future. To build the future together, and today, a number of major investments are needed.

The growing research teams and rapidly-expanding student population mean that need is significant, in particular, with respect to space and infrastructure. Furthermore, faced with competition for students, we need to create a substantial scholarship fund to attract and retain the best talent.

And so, under the banner of Building the Future Today we are undertaking this campaign. With 16 major projects to realize in the short and medium term, of which the total value is an investment of $155 million, this campaign is the biggest in UQAT’s history. The Fondation’s goal being to raise $25 million, it is committed to raising 16% of the monies required for the realization of these 16 projects. This financial lever will enable UQAT to obtain the additional funding to deliver on all of them.

Lastly, thank you for your involvement in this campaign. Your contribution is an investment in the future, and we are grateful for it!”
The Building the Future Today campaign by the numbers

BREAKDOWN OF MONIES TO BE RAISED BY THE FONDATION

$2M / $3.8M / $19.49M

UQAT, always growing

CHANGE IN THE NUMBER OF FALL REGISTRATIONS SINCE 1998

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Build the Future with us, starting now

Many ways to give, to change the world!
By making a donation to the Fondation de l’UQAT, you promote accessibility to university education and actively contribute to the development of research in the region, and beyond. The donation may take the form of cash, assets, or company shares. There is no such thing as a small contribution, each is important and makes a real difference.

Direct your donation to the project of your choice

In this campaign, you have the opportunity to direct your donation to one or more projects of your choice. Additionally, you can choose to give to the general campaign, or direct your contribution to the Scholarship Fund – Francophone Students Outside of Quebec, Indigenous, Inuit, Foreign and Accomplished Students, which goes towards all students at the various UQAT centres and campuses.

TO DONATE:
[www.uqat.ca/building-future-today](http://www.uqat.ca/building-future-today)
Thank You