Investing in the next generation of global finance and business leaders

Over the next 10 years, the School of Accounting and Finance will leverage our people and the University’s strengths. This will align our combined resources and energy towards our mission:

**Transforming the professions, world-class research and experiential education**

To create exceptional learning opportunities for finance students, the School has established a student managed investment fund to give students real-world investment experience in an academic setting. This fund provides a bridge between the theory of academia and the practical workings of capital markets. Specifically, it will provide students with hands-on training in equity valuation and portfolio management with guidance from industry experts and with supervision by finance faculty.

“What I see in a lot of them is that they’re finding a real passion in this. I sit in the meetings and they’re really excited about the work that they’re doing, and they’re deciding that this is where they want their career to be, and that’s a great thing to be a part of.”

**JOHN GORT (BA ‘93)**  
Chair, Advisory Board (2014-2017)  
Senior VP & CFO, InstarAGF Asset Management Inc.
The objective of the student investment fund is to generate long-term growth of the fund’s assets. The students invest in a broadly diversified portfolio of Canadian and US equities that may provide capital gains and/or income.

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- Create a portfolio that focusses exclusively on small cap equities so that students have an exposure to valuing and selecting younger and less liquid firms

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