



THE TRENT CAMPAIGN FOR MOMENTOUS CHANGE

**CHAMPLAIN COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND
CASE FOR SUPPORT**



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As the first of Trent's colleges on the Symons campus, Champlain fosters a tightknit community of students, faculty, staff, and alumni from varied backgrounds and disciplines who come together to further learning and personal growth. Featuring iconic architecture and the renowned Great Hall, Champlainers new and old boast an abundance of tradition and heart.”

JAMES ONUSKO, College Principal

ABOUT CHAMPLAIN COLLEGE

Established in 1965, Champlain College was the first of Tom Symons' collegiate vision. Named after the explorer Samuel de Champlain, this vibrant campus community is located on the west bank of the Otonabee River. Champlain himself travelled alongside the Michi Saagig Anishinaabeg.

Today, Champlain College embraces the full spectrum of Indigenous, English and French Canadian cultures on its path of reconciliation and evolving perspectives of our complex shared history. Champlain College's spirit of adventure, exploration, and global citizenship are captured in a refreshed college motto: "continuer nos decouvertes", "continue our discoveries".

Designed by Ron Thom himself, Champlain is the flagship college and nucleus of the Symons campus, housing the University's grand dining hall, residences,

small seminar rooms, master's residence (now Alumni House), and a bell tower that visually anchors it like a church spire.

The momentous Great Hall remains the heart of the college, where students celebrate alongside faculty, staff fellows and passionate alumni. The intergenerational and interdisciplinary community remains essential to the collegiate experience that inspires students' academic journeys.

Champlain's passionate student body keeps its traditions alive during orientation week and high table dinners, college weekends including Fall Fair and the Bon Temps carnival, and artists and scientists in residence weeks. And don't worry, Champlain Cabinet continues to keep the ice groomed for competitive broomball tournaments.

Be part of something bigger ...

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I did not realize when I arrived at Champlain College that I was at a crossroads. I chose Trent because I thought the name would look good on a rugby shirt. My life is certainly better because of that naïve, youthful and fortuitous decision. The fabulous opportunities of the University, and the incredible community of the college, caused me to enjoy a long, soothing but substantial turn in my life. In visits since my graduation, it is obvious that students are now having very different experiences from mine, but with the same enthusiasm, delight and realization that they are going through something extraordinary. So now, I am thrilled that I am doing something, however small, in helping others who have chosen to be at Champlain College, Trent University. I hope you will also reward them for making the same great choice you did.”

Derrick Farnham '83

Champlain College Campaign Co-Chair





HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

Champlain College Endowment

The Champlain College Endowment was founded to help provide a more financially sustainable future for the College. The goal is to raise at least \$100,000 a year until a total endowment of \$1 million has been realized. The interest from the Endowment will provide the Principal of Champlain College with discretionary funds to support the College's vision, unique spaces, traditional collegiate values, vibrant academic community, and student life, including, but not limited to:

Enhance Student scholarships/bursaries/awards/recognition/career readiness opportunities

Amplify the impact of our current visiting scholars and guest lecturers

Diversify existing traditions and establish new traditions to appeal to our diverse student body and increase accessibility to the community

Restore and enhance Champlain College common spaces

Create special events and celebrations, including large opportunities related to college themes of engaging in active living and celebrating cultural diversity

Support capital projects that are in progress (for example Champlain Symons Campus residence upgrades, Great Hall Restoration project, Champlain College Waterfront Restoration)

Your contribution to the Champlain College Endowment Fund will make a lasting impact on the lives of Champlain students today, tomorrow, and for years to come.

Visit **TRENTU.CA/CHAMPLAIN** and join the **Champlain College Challenge. Thank you!**

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One of the most unique features of Trent is that we have the privilege to be a part of the wonderful collegiate system. I have made my closest friendships through the activities that being a part of a college provides. Without the collegiate system, I would not be the same person I am today. I was given amazing opportunities to grow and develop as a person, an academic, and a leader. At the end of the day, the collegiate system is to thank for my incredible University experience.”

Sean Carlin '14

Champlain Cabinet President 2018-19



A TIME FOR MOMENTOUS CHANGE



The world around us continues to change at an unprecedented pace and requires agile, responsive, and future-ready graduates. At Trent, we believe that a healthy, sustainable future requires broad perspectives and collaboration at the intersection of disciplines. It requires us to challenge our own knowledge and belief systems, and to exchange ideas within a vibrant intellectual community – our colleges.

Trent's colleges have been at the centre of the student experience for more than 50 years. Colleges are more than residences, dining halls and classroom spaces. The collegiate system is where new ideas flourish, where students from all corners of the world are pushing the boundaries of knowledge as they learn and discover together.

Your investment in Trent's colleges is an investment in a brighter future for all.

CONSIDER JOINING TRENT'S LEGACY SOCIETY

Future giving is another impactful way of being part of the momentous change.

Visit trentu.ca/legacy to learn why hundreds of Trent alumni, staff and faculty have included Trent in their estate plans.

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