



**THIS IS
THE TRENT CAMPAIGN FOR
MOMENTOUS
CHANGE**

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Case for support

mo-men-tous

of great importance or significance, especially in its bearing on the future.



A TIME FOR MOMENTOUS CHANGE

From the health of our planet to the sustainability of our economies to the strength of communities, momentous change is happening right now, all around us.

Built on a history of progress, at Trent University we are driven to **understand, activate, and steer** change for good. Trent students, faculty, and staff join this academic community because of their deep desire to participate in – and lead – momentous change. Their learning and research are important, and it requires support and investment from individuals and organizations near and far.

The world around us continues to change at an unprecedented pace and requires an agile, responsive, and future-ready workforce and impact-oriented researchers.

Trent's School of Graduate Studies is a launchpad for global change leaders that brings together Trent's leading-edge faculty, researchers, and graduate students to answer some of society's most complex questions.

The Campaign for Momentous Change will bolster discovery through graduate research, empower graduate students to explore the world without boundaries, and inspire collaboration and innovation in state-of-the-art facilities.



**“ Sometimes I see our school
of graduate studies as a
beautiful contradiction;
perfectly **small in scale**,
enormously **big in impact**.”**

Dr. Craig Brunetti
Dean of the School of Graduate Studies



THE PILLARS OF MOMENTOUS CHANGE

Trent University's most ambitious and comprehensive philanthropic campaign is built on three consequential pillars that shape and inspire momentous change.

Discovery

Momentous change happens when graduate students from all nations, cultures and backgrounds are empowered to become an extraordinary force for change – on campus, in our communities and across the globe.

Students

Momentous change happens when financial barriers to education are removed, exemplary students are celebrated, collaboration is enabled, and student wellness is prioritized.

Places

Momentous change happens when we create state-of-the-art facilities that spark innovation and increase our capacity to tackle the world's most complex challenges.

MOMENTOUS CHANGE THROUGH DISCOVERY

At Trent, we believe that a healthy, sustainable future requires broad perspectives and relies on the intersection of disciplines. It requires us to challenge and sometimes unravel our belief systems while exchanging ideas within a vibrant intellectual community.

The Trent School of Graduate Studies is a place where new ideas can flourish and where students from all corners of the globe are pushing boundaries as they learn and discover together.

Alongside globally recognized experts, including ten Canada Research Chairs and six prestigious named chairs, Trent graduate students lead the way by conducting consequential research that propels innovation, discovery, and society forward.

Our graduate students have an unquenchable drive to better understand our world, our societies, and the universe. Here interdisciplinary cross-pollination sparks new scientific discoveries, inspires social

change, and envisions a sustainable future. The outcome of Trent graduate students' research and innovation have immediate, demonstrable change in the world around us.

With your support, the School of Graduate Studies can empower students to explore the world without boundaries; attract world-class researchers to supercharge growing disciplines, such as Strategic Change Management and Indigenous Studies; and create new and powerful academic programs with national and global distinction.

To propel societies forward, we need graduate students who think in unconventional ways, see things from multiple angles, and harness their imaginations to serve as a catalyst for momentous change.

The Trent Campaign for Momentous Change provides opportunities to support discovery within the School of Graduate Studies through school naming rights, endowed chairs, research fellowships and internships, experiential learning supports, and more.

To learn more, visit trentu.ca/momentous



A portrait of Emma Kaszecki, a young woman with long brown hair, wearing a black button-down shirt. She is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with a stone wall and a railing.

“ Trent University has some of the leading global technologies in the world when it comes to chemical analysis and environmental studies. Investing in Trent will allow us to continue to pursue crucial research directions and make momentous change for future generations.”

Emma Kaszecki

President of the Trent Graduate Student Association and student in the Environmental and Life Sciences Ph.D. program

MOMENTOUS CHANGE POWERED BY STUDENTS

The strength of Trent's School of Graduate Studies lies in the high-calibre students we attract. The School is home to individuals who see the world differently and who value a learning experience built on Indigenization, environmental sustainability, and social justice.

We believe that big ideas, consequential discoveries, and timely research require the inclusion of people from around the globe with diverse backgrounds and one-of-a-kind experiences.

By investing in graduate students, you are removing barriers to education, expanding the range of perspectives, and creating new opportunities for talented students from across the globe to study at Trent.

Trent graduate students are solution-seekers and change leaders. They are collaborating across disciplines and with community stakeholders, both locally and abroad, to develop solutions to challenges such as aging communities, food insecurity, and the growing role of big data in our daily lives.

Investing in our graduate students will accelerate ideas into impact, bolster the green economy, and transform society for a brighter tomorrow.

To change the world, we need leaders who are hungry to understand the world – and to inspire leaders, we need to invest in graduate students.

The Trent Campaign for Momentous Change provides opportunities to support graduate students through scholarships, bursaries, student awards, travel awards and more.

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“ My Trent experiences have positively shaped my research into brain disease. Trent’s small, close-knit community allows me to interact frequently with my supervisor and to independently develop new ideas for my cutting-edge research, which I hope one day will provide a piece to the puzzle.”

William Kim

Environmental and Life Sciences Ph.D. student,
researching in cooperation with the Harvard
Medical School Department and Massachusetts
General Hospital





SPOTLIGHT

ENABLING GLOBAL REACH

Give Wings to New Ideas

The School of Graduate Studies brings the world to Trent and Trent to the world. We believe that ideas flourish when our students can connect with the brightest minds in their field, pursue new knowledge in remote and distant communities, and give flight to their creativity without constraint.

Equitable learning opportunities happen when we reach students where they are – whether on campus, working in the field, visiting world-leading experts and facilities, or broadening their networks and horizons by attending conferences and events.

With your support, the School of Graduate Studies can ensure that students can participate in meaningful international or community learning, engagement, and research experiences.

Investments that facilitate travel enable research that breaks boundaries on all fronts. It allows graduate students to address social and systemic challenges in remote Indigenous communities; it serves as an incubator for cutting-edge solutions that are developed locally and applied globally; and opens the doors to a brighter, healthier, and sustainable future.

Trent graduate students are a force for positive change. With your help, we can support them on their quest for new knowledge as they answer some of society's most fundamental questions.

Learn more about how enhancing graduate student fellowships and travel funds at Trent University leads to momentous change at trentu.ca/momentous

A portrait of Brianna Salmon, a woman with short, wavy brown hair, wearing glasses and a grey blazer over a black top. She is smiling and looking towards the camera. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with green foliage and a building structure.

“ My experiences at Trent University helped me to understand what my role could be in supporting momentous change, and how the actions and decisions we make at the community level can have a global impact.”

Brianna Salmon '10

Executive director of Green Communities
Canada and Trent Sustainability Studies
M.A. alum

MOMENTOUS CHANGE FROM HERE

Trent's iconic architecture blends form and function, as well as heritage and high-tech spaces, to create a harmonious learning environment where students can flourish.

Five decades of growth and innovation have led to a rich campus exploding in art, performance spaces, state-of-the-art labs, as well as natural spaces and Indigenous traditional areas.

We believe that momentous change happens when graduate students have dedicated space in which to debate some of society's biggest challenges, bring their transformative research to life, and find a sense of belonging – a place to call home. We believe that these spaces are the origins of tomorrow's achievements.

With your support, the School of Graduate Studies can retrofit and introduce new

spaces designed around the unique needs of graduate students.

Together we can accelerate game-changing ideas into groundbreaking innovations by ensuring that graduate students have the latest technologies and instrumentation at their fingertips.

This investment will empower our graduate students to explore how we can build sustainable, symbiotic relationships with our planet and with each other. It will further cement Trent's legacy of fostering forward thinkers.

Our world is rapidly changing. Facing these changes requires inspiring places that support multidisciplinary research and innovation, collaboration, creative expression, and community.

The Trent Campaign for Momentous Change provides opportunities to support the places of the School of Graduate Studies through capital investments, endowments, and more.

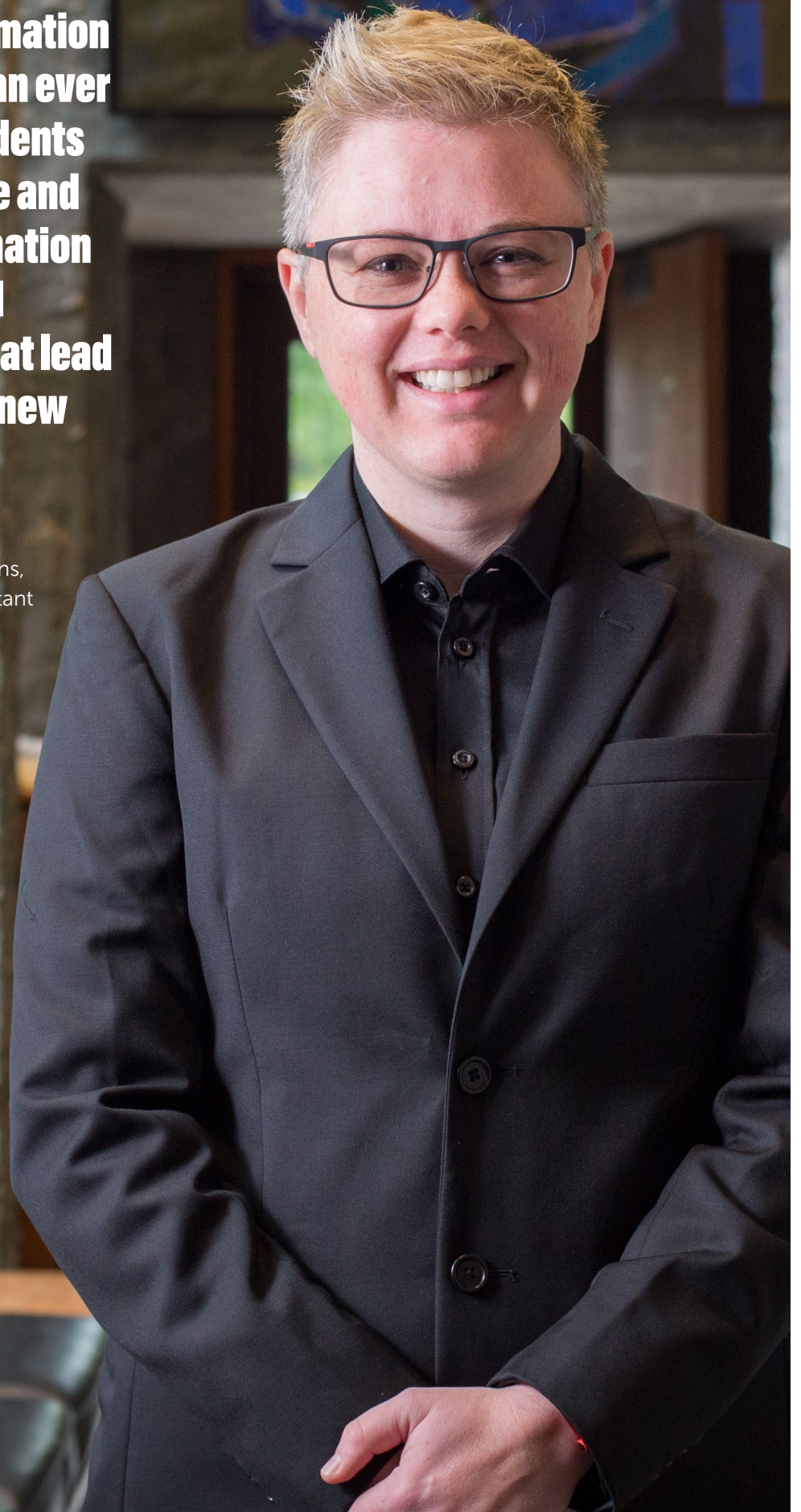
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“ We can look up information faster and easier than ever before. At Trent, students learn how to manage and evaluate that information and ask exciting and curious questions that lead to the generation of new knowledge.”

Dr. Karen Blair

Director of the Trent Social Relations, Attitudes & Diversity Lab, and assistant professor of Psychology



**THIS IS A CALL TO THOSE WHO BELIEVE
MOMENTOUS CHANGE REQUIRES
MEANINGFUL RESEARCH, INSATIABLE
CURIOSITY, AND TRUTH-SEEKERS.**

**THIS CAMPAIGN IS INSPIRED BY TRENT'S
HISTORY OF SIGNIFICANCE, OUR FUTURE
OF OPTIMISM, AND THIS MOMENT OF
MOMENTUM.**

**THIS IS TRENT UNIVERSITY'S CAMPAIGN
FOR MOMENTOUS CHANGE.**







Be part of the momentous change.
Join the campaign today.

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