



THE CAMPAIGN FOR TRAILL COLLEGE

A VISION FOR THE FUTURE



ABOUT TRAILL COLLEGE

Catharine Parr Traill College is Trent University's oldest location, founded in 1964. It has offered Trent University students a welcoming space to study, or relax, in the university college tradition. Named after nineteenth-century author and naturalist Catharine Parr Traill, the College has forged a unique identity as Trent's downtown location. Its alumni are fiercely loyal and include prominent politicians, screenwriters, professors, teachers, scientists and a Nobel prize laureate. It is a place for students of all ages and interests.

Traill is a broadly-based arts and humanities community that functions like a university within a university. It has residences, classrooms, lecture halls, a restaurant, library, performance spaces and conference rooms situated just a 10-minute walk from the centre of downtown Peterborough. It is a modern university College that embraces all voices and offers a safe space for academic exploration.



"The collegiate tradition prides itself on offering an engaging student experience that is interdisciplinary, personal, and genuine. Students, professors, and staff should feel that the College is a true community where everyone belongs. Providing such an experience is vital."

DR. MICHAEL EAMON

Principal, Catharine Parr Traill College



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A VISION FOR THE FUTURE

In 2016, a presidential review laid out four visionary actions that would propel the College into the future. The review recommended that success for Trall will be based on:

- Fostering Traditional Collegiate Values and Spaces.
- Supporting a Vibrant Academic Community and Student Life.
- Achieving of Financial Sustainability.
- Active Encouragement of Engagement with the Downtown Community.



SHARE YOUR LEGACY WITH OURS

We believe that higher education should break down barriers. It should encourage learning in safe, accessible, and welcoming spaces and openly encourage the wider community to participate in the life of the university. If you agree with these objectives, then we ask you to consider sharing your legacy with our vision for the future.

To reach this vision we would like to invite you to contribute either to the Trall College Endowment, or a variety of transformative capital building projects.



TRALL COLLEGE ENDOWMENT

The Trall Endowment was founded to help provide a more financially sustainable future for the College. The goal is to raise at least \$100K a year until a total endowment of \$1 million has been realized. Trall is halfway to that goal.

The interest from the Endowment will provide the Principal of Trall College with discretionary funds to support the College's vision, its unique spaces, traditional collegiate values, vibrant academic community, and student life, including:

- costs of visiting speakers and associated social functions;
- attendance of guests and related awards, gifts, and entertainment at college dinners;
- improving amenities available in the common rooms or common areas of the college;
- landscaping, signage, and recognition for college supporters



Become a part of something bigger...



"Trent and Traill College shaped me in many ways, from the academic subjects, to the friends I made and the non-academic interests I acquired during those years. I believe we should all give back, when the opportunity presents itself, to both the larger society in which we live and to the organizations and institutions that shaped and supported us. For me, Trent, and in particular Traill College, was one of those influences."

GREG PIASETZKI '72

ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN CHAIR

TRAILL COLLEGE EXPANSION

There are over three centuries of architecture that are showcased at Traill College. To meet the needs of the 21st century, Traill's older buildings need key upgrades and several new structures are required for our growing student body. Both of these objectives are possible only through your generous support and offer naming opportunities that will appropriately recognize a legacy of consequence.

New Dining Hall

A Dining Hall is a focal point of any university college where food and fellowship are two core values of daily life. To support our growing residential community, Traill College needs a purpose-built Dining Hall that could also serve as a conference venue in the summer.

Lecture Theatre

A 250-seat lecture theatre would both revitalize the academic capacity of Traill College while offering an important, indoor performance venue to the university and downtown community at large.

Scott House and Kerr House Revitalization

Scott House (built in 1888) is home to the College Office and key College spaces such as the Library, and student common and reading rooms. Kerr House (built 1853) is where the School for the Study of Canada and the Frost Centre for Canadian and Indigenous Studies resides. Substantial structural and electrical renovations are overdue in both of these buildings to ensure these beloved, traditional spaces at the heart of the College meet the needs of modern students. Naming opportunities exist for classrooms and study spaces with all funds directed towards renovating and refreshing the iconic Victorian halls.

Jalynn Bennett Amphitheatre

Named after a dynamic, former chair of the Board of Governors, this project is already underway. It will be an important space for both student expression and community performances. Comprising a main stage, fully-licensed patio, seating area, and viewing boxes there are several naming opportunities still available.





WHAT STUDENTS THINK ABOUT TRAILL

"Traill College students have a closer relationship with the Peterborough community, and their transition to off-campus living is often a little easier. It's just a good place to meet – one of those places that most people discover in their upper years. It has always had a rambunctious spirit, and that gives it a fun atmosphere as well, because Traill does get to be different."

"I think my college is a really special experience unlike anything offered at other universities. I got to meet a lot of the people in my program during first year, built close relationships, and feel like I have a welcoming home to visit whenever I please."

HUMANITIES EDUCATION FOR THE 21st CENTURY

At Traill College, you can find a blend of more traditional undergraduate departments such as English Literature, with cross-disciplinary programs such as Canadian Studies and Cultural Studies. Added into this mix is Media Studies, making Traill a dynamic hub for cutting-edge classes and critical conversations in the humanities. This rarified academic milieu is further enhanced by graduate programs in Public Texts, Cultural Studies, Canadian Studies and History.

Traill is also known as the "law college" where the university's Law Dual Degree Program is situated. Bagnani Hall doubles as the law lab complete with a full set of courtroom furniture.

In spite of the scholarly focus on the Humanities, members of Traill College study every subject offered at Trent University and interdisciplinary conversations are encouraged. Like Catherine Parr Traill herself, the College has a foot firmly placed in both literary and scientific worlds. We believe that the future of the Humanities is in its power to foster meaningful conversations and to promote a greater appreciation of human achievement.



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