



# THE TRENT CAMPAIGN FOR MOMENTOUS CHANGE

**TRAILL COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND  
CASE FOR SUPPORT**



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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



# ABOUT TRAILL COLLEGE

Trails is Trent University's oldest college, founded in 1964. Named after nineteenth-century author and naturalist Catharine Parr Trill, the college has forged a unique identity as Trent's downtown location. Its alumni are fiercely loyal and include prominent politicians, lawyers, screenwriters, professors, teachers, scientists, and a Nobel prize laureate. It is a place for students of all ages and interests.

Like Catharine Parr Trill 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, the ability to promote a greater appreciation of human achievement, and the potential to bring about momentous change in our communities.

At Trill 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 Trill 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.

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



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Trill College is this magical place full of opportunities, creativity, and generous people. It is just like a second home for me. I am very grateful to be part of this community!”

**Charly Hergert**, Trill student

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Trill College is an ecosystem of opportunities, relationships, and meaningful exchanges. As founding President Tom Symons envisioned, Trill is a community of learners where each new meaningful relationship or string of connections means that there are no limits to learning and no formal designations needed between learning and 'non-learning' spaces. There is always room for new experiences. Initiatives like the Amphitheater project ensure that cross-cultural, interdisciplinary, meaningful engagement remains at the soul of the College.”

**Morgan Loughlin**, Trill student





# HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

## TRAILL COLLEGE ENDOWMENTS

The Trill Endowment was founded to help provide a 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. The interest from the Endowment will provide the Principal of Trill College with discretionary funds to support the College's vision, including:

- Costs of visiting speakers and associated social functions
- Development of exciting student activities and engaging programs, including college dinners, academic supports, and career development opportunities
- Improvement of amenities available in the existing common rooms, library, and college restaurant.

### Trill College Capital Endowment

Over three centuries of architecture is showcased at Trill College. To meet current needs, Trill's older buildings need key upgrades and several new structures are required. Both objectives are only possible through your generous support. We offer naming opportunities that will appropriately recognize a legacy of consequence. Current initiatives include:

- Completion of the Jalynn Bennett Amphitheatre, which will see Trill College becoming a hub for arts and culture in Peterborough
- Continued upgrades and expansion of classrooms, seminar, and studio spaces
- Landscaping, signage, and accessible pathways.

### Trill College Amphitheatre Sustainability Endowment

Founded by former principals James and Lynn Neufeld, this fund will specifically support the development of programming for the Jalynn Bennett Amphitheatre and help fund its continued operations and maintenance.

### Trill College Sherouse Fund

Nancy Sherouse (1929-1999) was the second principal of Trill College who was much beloved by students, faculty, and staff alike. Referred to as the "soul of Trill, the soul of Trent," she served as college principal for 13 years and focused on the wellbeing of students. After her death, an endowment was established that would give the principal immediate, discretionary funds to improve the student experience or offer emergency support.

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Trent and Trill 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 Trill College, was one of those influences.”

**Greg Piasetzki '72**, Endowment Campaign Chair



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# 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.

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