



Board Chair David Morton with Dr. Tom Jackson and Dr. Steven E. Franklin

New Trent President and Chancellor Celebrated in Double Installation Ceremony

Hundreds gathered at the University on September 24, 2009 to celebrate the double installation of Dr. Steven E. Franklin as Trent University's seventh president and vice-chancellor, and Dr. Tom Jackson as Trent's tenth chancellor.

"It is with honour that I accept this new challenge and I look forward to a collaboration that will feed the need and the hunger. I feel truly blessed." – Dr. Tom Jackson on his appointment as Trent University's tenth chancellor

A WORD of THANKS

Engagement with the broader Peterborough community is both a priority and an opportunity to share our common success. This report is a reflection of Trent's diverse activities and the tremendous social, cultural, and economic impacts on the communities we serve. Highlighted are some of the new integrated planning initiatives that are just now getting underway at Trent, and important milestones from the past year, including the many examples of teaching and research excellence for which Trent's outstanding faculty are nationally and internationally recognized.

Following this past September's dual installation ceremony involving the installation of Dr. Steven E. Franklin as Trent's seventh president and vice-chancellor, and Dr. Tom Jackson as Trent's tenth chancellor, the University community has embarked on an ambitious collaborative enterprise to renew Trent's vision and planning processes, overall strategic directions, and academic structure. The coming year is shaping up to be a decisive one in planning, and helping define, a preferred future for Trent.

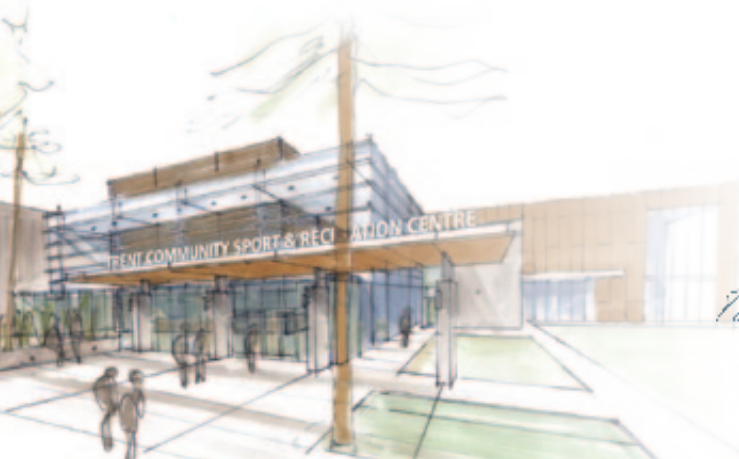
The integrated planning process is driven by open and meaningful consultation and engagement. Together with initiatives such as the President's Monthly Reports, the President's Office Hours for Students, and the President's Community Tours (which began in Peterborough in October and have since included visits to Oshawa, Kingston, Toronto and Ottawa to celebrate Trent's outstanding alumni and our lasting partnerships), such discussion will help realize a renewed vision for the University as we approach our 50th anniversary in 2014. Trent University was created as a result of a community-wide effort to establish a postsecondary institution in our community. The optimism, leadership and commitment that inspired that vision have never been more important as we plan our future together. On behalf of our University community, we wish to thank the citizens of our region for their on-going support of Trent University.

David L. Morton
Chair of the Board of Governors

Dr. Steven E. Franklin
President and Vice-Chancellor

"In my opinion, Trent is the best school out there. You are important here."

Maggie Whalen, first-year Education student; Recipient of the Free Tuition Scholarship



Envisioning the Future

Integrated planning processes involving the entire University community are well underway at Trent University as of fall 2009. As the University readies itself for 50th anniversary celebrations in 2014, the following committees are producing plans that will create the foundations of Trent's future:

- Vision Renewal and Review
- Changing Academic Structures
- Strategic Directions Advisory

Information is available on the work of all committees at www.trentu.ca/planning

Capital projects underway on campus will position the University well for the future:

DNA Building – Modules C&D

- \$20.7 million from the federal and provincial Knowledge Infrastructure Program to construct and expand the new Trent University Health Sciences Centre
- New home for the Trent/Fleming School of Nursing, several social science departments, including Psychology and Anthropology, and new graduate programs in Psychology and Sustainability

- State-of-the-art space for emerging initiatives related to the federal government's Science and Technology strategy including: enhanced life sciences capacity, sustainable and healthy communities, forensic science, sustainable agriculture, and environmental sciences
- Completion in March 2011

Sport, Recreation and Wellness for All: Building the Region's Premier Sport and Recreation Centre at Trent

- \$4 million campaign to support the renewal and expansion of the Trent Community Sport & Recreation Centre – a 76,000 sq. ft., state-of-the-art home for sports, fitness and recreation at Trent
- Supported by the City of Peterborough's *Vision 2010: A Strategic Plan for Recreation, Parks and Culture*, which calls for the creation of at least three multipurpose recreation centres in the Peterborough region
- \$16 million total investment for new construction and refurbishment
- Exciting new features, including: cardio loft, indoor climbing facility, unique indoor rowing/paddling tank, therapy pool, and expanded Centre for Health Excellence
- Silver rating through the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System™

New Location for Trent University in Oshawa: Fall 2010

- Will serve as a platform for Trent's continued partnerships with Durham College and the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT)
- Located at Thornton Road and King Street in Oshawa, the new campus is just five minutes north of Highway 401 and the Oshawa GO station
- Features include: access to classes and labs in a bright renewed building and through Trent's existing Oshawa facilities at UOIT and newly outfitted labs and seminar rooms

New!
GO bus between Peterborough and Oshawa



OUTSTANDING FACULTY



Dr. Carolyn Kay



Dr. David Poole



Dr. Susan Wurtele



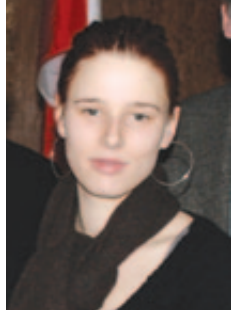
Dr. Sarah Keefer



Dr. Molly Blyth



Dr. Zailig Pollock



Kristina Ottosen



Dr. Shaoling Wang

Teaching Excellence

At Trent University, our reputation for excellence in teaching is renowned. Trent professors and teachers have been recognized locally, nationally and internationally for their unique focus on the individual student. Highlights for 2008/09 include:

- History professor Dr. Carolyn Kay was named one of the most outstanding teachers in the province by the Ontario Confederation of University Faculty Associations (OCUFA).
- The Canadian Association of Geographers (CAG) honoured Trent professor Dr. Susan Wurtele with the CAG Award for Excellence in Teaching Geography.
- Dr. David Poole, a professor in the Department of Mathematics, was awarded the 2009 Canadian Mathematical Society (CMS) Excellence in Teaching Award.
- English Literature professor Dr. Sarah Keefer was recognized as one of Canada's outstanding university teachers, winning a prestigious 3M Teaching Fellowship from the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education.

Several outstanding Trent teachers were also recognized with internal awards, including:

- Dr. Molly Blyth, recipient of the 2009 Symons Award for Excellence in Teaching
- English professor Dr. Zailig Pollock, winner of the 2009 Distinguished Teaching Award for Educational Leadership and Innovation in Instruction
- English M.A. student Kristina Ottosen, the 2009 Distinguished Teaching Award for Excellence in Teaching Assistance winner
- Dr. Shaoling Wang, course instructor in Modern Languages & Literatures, recipient of the 2009 CUPE Award for Excellence in Teaching

Innovative Research

Across the Humanities, Social Sciences and Sciences

Trent Named 2009 Research University of the Year*

Trent University regained its number one spot as Research University of the Year for 2009, in a national survey ranking Canada's innovation leaders.

Trent faculty were also ranked number one across the nation among primarily undergraduate universities for their publication intensity. In 2008/09, Trent researchers were not only publishing more research than ever, but also winning awards for their books.

- Trent University in Oshawa History professor Dr. Robert Wright won the Canadian Authors Association (CAA) Lela Common Award for Canadian History for his book, *Three Nights in Havana*, the first-ever portrait of the relationship between Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau and Cuban President Fidel Castro.
- Canada Research Chair in Canadian Studies Dr. Bryan Palmer was awarded the prestigious Wallace K. Ferguson Prize from the Canadian Historical Association for the best book published in a field of history other than Canadian history, exploring the life of early American communist James P. Cannon.
- Trent's resident auto expert, Dr. Dimitry Anastakis, received the J.J. Talman Award from the Ontario Historical Society for his 2005 book, *Auto Pact: Creating a Borderless North American Auto Industry, 1960-1971*. This prestigious award honours the best book on Ontario's social, economic, political or cultural history published in the past three years.

* Research InfoSource



Dr. Michael Chan-Reynolds studies the way we read

Trent's research revenue increased to \$17.321 million in 2008/09 (up a remarkable 55 per cent from the previous year). Highlights of newly-funded research projects and initiatives include:

- Groundbreaking new research in developing DNA analysis tools to identify and track the source of microbial pathogens as a result of bioterrorist attack or a natural outbreak, led by Dr. Barry Saville of the Forensic Science program. Dr. Saville recently received further funding to support his research examining fungal diseases in crops.
 - NSERC Discovery Accelerator Supplement was awarded to Dr. Dennis Murray, CRC in Terrestrial Ecology at Trent, for his internationally-renowned research into the study of range limits of lynx and eastern wolves.

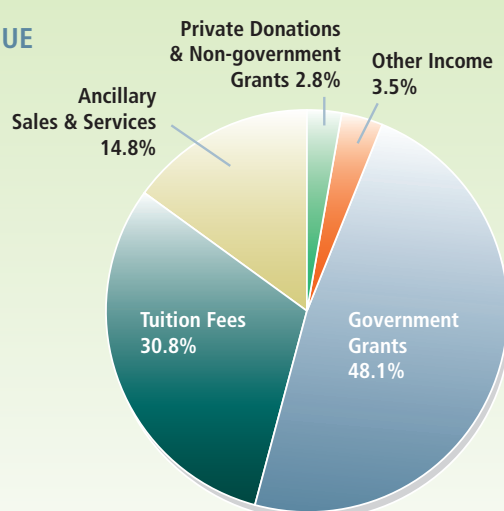


- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) grants to support outstanding research across several disciplines, including Anthropology's Dr. Anne Meneley's research on the politics of Palestinian olive oil
- Fifteen new studies funded through the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC), including research by Dr. Holger Hintelmann on mercury contamination in the environment
- Federal and provincial funding to advance three cutting-edge research projects and 20 researchers in Psychology, Biology, and Environmental and Resource Studies. Projects include: managing pollutants and nutrients to preserve ecosystem balance, facilitating learning through improved technology interface design, and combating invasive species.

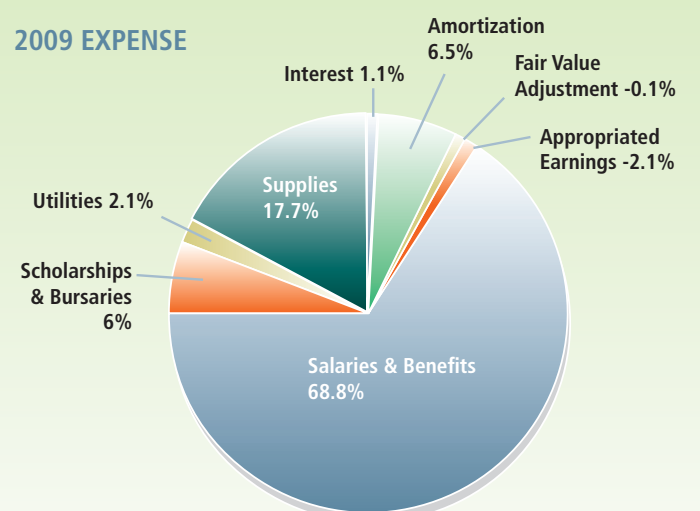
2008/09 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

To view the University's complete 2008/09 Financial Statements visit, www.trentu.ca/financialstatements

2009 REVENUE



2009 EXPENSE



ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT



Christine Harmston



Kate Ramsay



Kevin Rose



Lara Sylvester

Trent Honours Alumni Leaders at 2009 Alumni Awards Celebration in Ottawa

At the 2009 Alumni Awards, held in May 2009 for the first time in Ottawa at the National Arts Centre, the Trent University Alumni Association honoured the following individuals for their vision, commitment, creativity and leadership in their respective fields of international real estate, international development, community involvement, Aboriginal education, and veterinary science:

Distinguished Alumni:
Justin Chiu '76,
Christine Harmston '91

Spirit of Trent:
Kate Ramsay '71

Young Leader:
Kevin Rose '97, Lara Sylvester '92

International Education at Trent Gets Boost from International Alumnus

In May 2009, members of Peterborough's international community gathered with Trent students, faculty and staff to celebrate a generous \$1 million gift from international alumnus and world-renowned property developer, Justin Chiu, to create two new endowed funds at the University – the Justin Chiu International Scholarship fund and the Rita Chiu Study Abroad Bursaries fund.



Justin Chiu

EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT SUCCESS

Across all disciplines and at both the graduate and undergraduate level, Trent University students are learning to make a world of difference by changing our world for the better.

- With the support of the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation, Environmental & Life Sciences masters student, Allison Boyd, embarked on a leading-edge study examining the effects of mother-offspring interactions on breast cancer risk.
- Business student, recent Nursing graduate and varsity fencer, Virginia Portmann was recognized for her diverse talents and leadership with the 2008 Student Business Leadership Bursary from the Greater Peterborough Chamber of Commerce and the 2009 Ontario University Athletics Woman of Influence Award.
- First-year Indigenous Studies student, Stephanie Pangowish, won one of only two memorial scholarships from Anishinaabemowin Teg Inc. to support her studies in the Anishinaabe (Ojibway) language.
- Graduate students Kaitlin Breton-Honeyman and Jennie Knopp returned home award-winning researchers following their scientific presentations at the largest international Arctic research conference ever held in Canadian history.



Allison Boyd

- A Black Bear Ecology Education Program developed by students Chris Sharp and Cailey Anderson, in partnership with the Trent Centre for Community-Based Education (TCCBE) and the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR), was launched in Ontario schools.



Black Bear Ecology Program

Alumni giving in the new millennium = \$10,167,737

81% of alumni feel Trent did an excellent job of providing an intimate learning environment where their professors got to know them

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS



Committee chair Darren Murphy with 2009 winners Goodith Heeney, Lewis Schofield and Norman Vandenberg

Honouring Our Community Leaders in 2009

Trent University's Community Leaders Awards Program recognizes and celebrates outstanding members of the community who have made significant contributions toward the betterment of the Greater Peterborough Region, by establishing a student bursary in their honour. In 2009, the awards were named for:

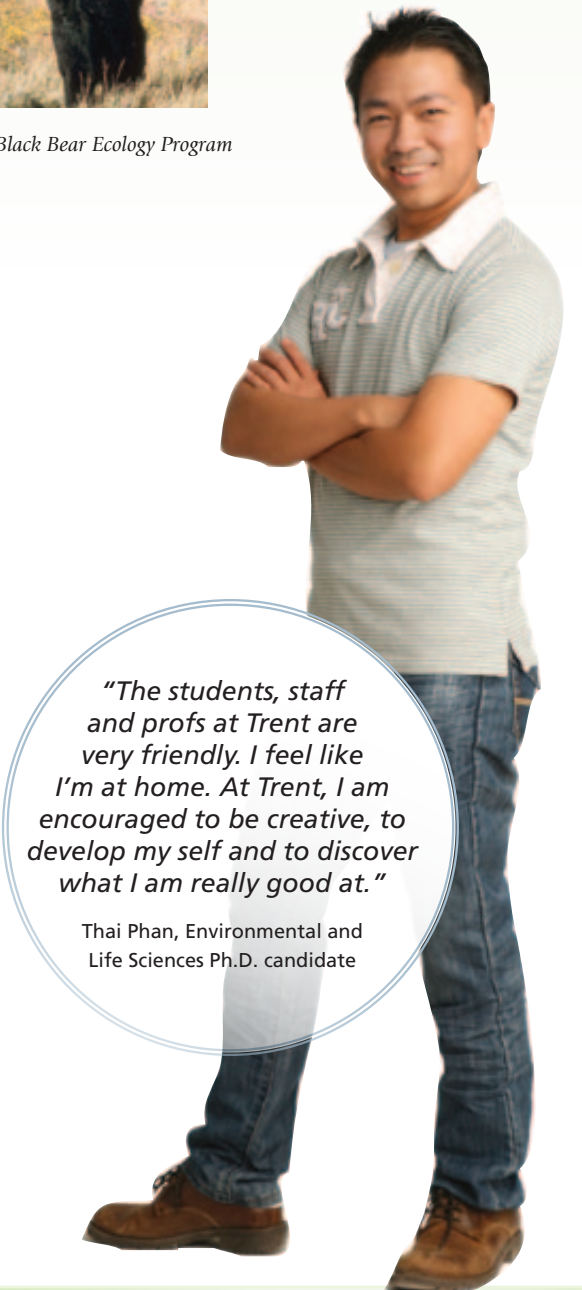
- Goodith Heeney**
Trent University Award for Community Leadership
- Norman Vandenberg**
Trent University Award for Leadership Through Education
- Lewis Schofield**
Trent University Award for Youth Leadership

Bringing in the harvest. Trent Students work with Trent Gardens as part of a community service-learning project



Trent is proud of its strong connections with the community. In 2008/09, the University built on existing relationships, formed new partnerships and took community engagement to a new level. Community highlights include:

- **Trent Centre for Community-Based Education and U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research** – 65 projects were undertaken by Trent students through the TCCBE & U-Links for various community organizations in Peterborough and Haliburton Counties.
- **Inside Trent** – the popular Inside Trent speaker series brought Trent experts into both the Peterborough and, for the first time, Toronto communities to share information about the new realities facing our world's most precious resource in "Our Water, Our Future."
- **Peterborough Regional Science Fair** – over 300 students, from Kindergarten to Grade 12, participated in the annual fair, supported by more than 150 volunteers and judges.
- **Trent Summer Sports Camp** – in 2008, 198 campers returned for their fifth season, 35 campers came back for their eighth year, and three campers celebrated ten consecutive years attending TSSC.
- **More than 30 public lectures** brought the community to Trent to hear from such guests as writers Jane Urquhart, Budge Wilson, alumnus Don Tapscott, and Robert F. Kennedy Jr., to name a few.



"The students, staff and profs at Trent are very friendly. I feel like I'm at home. At Trent, I am encouraged to be creative, to develop my self and to discover what I am really good at."

Thai Phan, Environmental and Life Sciences Ph.D. candidate

Graduate Employment Rates

- 95% employment six months after graduation
- 96% employment two years after graduating
- Nursing graduates – 100% employment

2014 \$50 MILLION CAMPAIGN

A New Era of Philanthropy Begins at Trent

A new era of philanthropy at Trent University was ushered in at the October 2009 announcement of a \$50 Million philanthropic campaign leading to the University's milestone 50th anniversary in 2014. Already, over \$15 million in new investments has been raised to date. A dynamic two-day program of announcements and events officially celebrated the launch the Centre of Knowledge in the Environment, a key component of the campaign.

CENTRE OF KNOWLEDGE IN THE ENVIRONMENT

The Centres of Knowledge are a new way to talk about Trent, and the exceptional expertise, facilities and strengths of the institution. The Centre of Knowledge in the Environment was the first Centre to launch in October 2009, exemplifying Trent's leadership position in environmental research and teaching, and student-led environmental initiatives.



Dr. Suresh Narine and the Trent Biomaterials Research Program team

Among the highlights was the opening of the Trent Biomaterials Research Program – a brain gain for Ontario. Dr. Suresh Narine, a pioneer and leader in his field, and his team of researchers, recruited to Trent University from the University of Alberta, will lead initiatives using natural plant oils (lipids such as soy, canola, flax, corn, hemp and jatropa) to create new biomaterials – high-value edible lipid products, high-value industrial materials such as polymers, specialized chemicals, lubricants, adhesives products, and cosmetics.

www.trentu.ca/cofk/environment

Green Initiatives at Trent

Trent University's natural setting provides abundant opportunities to participate in global and local environmental initiatives managed by the University itself. Initiatives include:

- **CBC's One Million Acts of Green** – Trent led the way with the most members and the most acts of green of any other group in Canada



Sustainable Trent on CBC's The Hour

Other 2008/09 philanthropic highlights include:

- The inaugural David Morrison Lecture in International Development, established by professor emeritus David Morrison and his wife, Professor Alena Heitlinger, was held in October 2008, featuring Yale University Sterling Professor Dr. James C. Scott. The speaker for 2009 was Dr. Diane Elson, world-renowned feminist economist and leading-edge policy advisor to the United Nations.
- Founding Trent International Program (TIP) director, Jack Matthews, was honoured by an anonymous donor who established the new Jack Matthews Study and Research Abroad Bursary fund.
- Respected Mohawk elders Ernest and Florence Benedict were given a place of honour at Trent University as the Gathering Space in the First Peoples House of Learning was renamed the Benedict Gathering Place in a special naming ceremony in February 2009.
- A new student award was created in honour of Shawn Callaghan, a student at Champlain College who died hiking in the Swiss Alps in 2007. The Shawn T. Callaghan Memorial Prize will support undergraduate students who wish to pursue study abroad opportunities.

www.trentu.ca/givingtotrent

Trent's sustainability initiatives reduced electricity use by 11% over the previous year. Water use was decreased by 23%.



Students hand out reusable water bottles at Convocation 2009

- **Bottled Water-Free Convocation** – tap water stations and reusable water bottles helped reduce waste from the event by over 60 per cent
- **Seasoned Spoon Café** – an independent café at Trent offering organic and ethically-minded fare for students, staff and faculty
- **Trent Nature Areas & Nature Trails** – provide opportunities for outdoor recreation and serve to maintain the ecological and human health of the region
- **Camp Kawartha Environment Centre at Trent** – one of Canada's most sustainable buildings and a groundbreaking environmental education and teacher training facility

www.trentu.ca/sustainabilityoffice

Trent University's new online virtual tour won international and national acclaim in 2008/09, being awarded a 2009 Gold Quill Award of Merit by the International Association of Business Communicators (IABC) and a Bronze Award in the 2009 Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education (CCA) Prix d'Excellence.

NEW IN 2008/09

Free Tuition for Students with Entering Average of 90%+

This new recruitment incentive, designed to reward academic excellence, offers free tuition for first-year students with an entering average of 90% or higher. More than 80 students took advantage of the incredible offer.

New Leading-Edge Undergraduate Programs Launched in Forensics and Environmental Studies

- In 2009, Trent became the only university in Canada to offer multidisciplinary joint-major degrees in Forensic Science, offering students the unique opportunity to combine their study of forensics with another academic discipline of their choice, leading them to an honours Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science in Forensics degree.
- Trent also became the nation's first university to create a unique interdisciplinary Bachelor of Environmental Science/Studies (B.E.S.S.) degree, for undergraduate students interested in developing the critical skills and knowledge that truly bridge the sciences and arts aspects of the environmental field.
- A new Indigenous Environmental Studies (IES) degree program was also introduced, using Indigenous knowledge systems, science and information from the social and environmental sciences to explore local, regional, national and international environmental issues impacting Indigenous people.

Inaugural Chair in Indigenous Knowledge Comes to Trent

In May 2009, Mohawk Faithkeeper Skahendowaneh Swamp was appointed Trent University's inaugural chair in Indigenous Knowledge. This new position represents the first academic chair of its kind in Canada to be awarded to a native Elder or traditional person.



Skahendowaneh Swamp



"I have met so many wonderful people at Trent. I look forward to continuing to build on these connections to see them bear fruit in the future and produce something greater than I ever imagined."

Brian Kombani, Biology and Economics major, President of the Trent Central Students' Association



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