

# The evolution of the John Di Poce South Georgian Bay Campus

An update for the Rotary Club of Collingwood – South Georgian Bay  
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## Full-time programs

- Four post-secondary pathways: health care, business, hospitality and technology
- 67 per cent enrolment growth between fall 2011 and fall 2012

### CURRENT

- Bookkeeping
- Gas Technician
- Office Administration
- Personal Support Worker
- Pre-Health Sciences

### NEW IN FALL 2013

- Business Fundamentals
- Hospitality Skills
- Technology Fundamentals

## Pathways

- We are building pathways to sectors that are in demand in the South Georgian Bay region
- Graduates of programs at the South Georgian Bay Campus can easily continue their post-secondary studies at Georgian's Barrie, Orillia and Owen Sounds campuses to achieve diplomas and degrees
- **88 per cent of Pre-Health Sciences students** who graduated in 2012 went on to other Health and Wellness programs at the Barrie and Owen Sound campuses, including the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program in partnership with York University



## Continuing Education

- More than 50 Continuing Education courses every semester
- We launched our first-ever Ontario Telemedicine Network course using video conferencing between this campus and the Barrie Campus. By combining our separate classes to make a large enough co-hort, we were able to offer specialized training in peri-and-post anesthesia nursing.
- 95% Very Satisfied with the quality of instructors at South Georgian Bay Campus.

### Examples of Continuing Education courses:

- Financial Accounting Principles
- Legislation and Payroll
- Communications Essentials
- Biology Foundations
- Web Design Introduction
- Supervisors Roles and Responsibilities
- Developing Effective Teams
- Your Business and Social Media
- Sign Language
- Motorcycle Training
- Conversational French

## Programs designed for high school students

- **School Within a College program:** launched in September in partnership with the Simcoe County District School Board, for college-capable high school students who are at-risk of not graduating.
  - Served 17 students during fall semester
- **Dual Credit program:** high school students earn a credit toward both their secondary school diploma and a college program, aiming to improve the transition between high school and college.
  - Served 50 students during fall semester

## College and Career Preparation

- Students receive an individualized training plan and schedule to reach their goal, whether it be to prepare for a job, to advance in their current job or to gain acceptance into a college or skilled trades program.
- Approximately 80 per cent of these students go on to employment or post-secondary studies
- Recognized as benchmark site by Employment Ontario

## Signature learning experience: Entrepreneurship

- In May 2012, Georgian College celebrated the grand opening of the Henry Bernick Entrepreneurship Centre
- Entrepreneurship will become one of Georgian's signature learning experiences
- As the Centre grows, programs and services will be offered to students from all Georgian campuses through distributed learning





## Our fundraising campaign

- We have reached **87 per cent of our \$750,000 fundraising goal** to date thanks to the generosity of more than 40 donors including Georgian College students and staff, local businesses, community groups and individuals
- The government does provide a specific level of funding per student, but it is not enough to cover the expense of creating new programs, building new facilities or upgrading technologies
- Tuition fees are primarily used to sustain operations, not to grow them
- This 20,000-square-foot building represents Phase 1 of Georgian's plans for this campus. Without community support, the rate at which Georgian can expand this campus and its programs will be delayed



# Endless possibilities



# Thank you Rotary Club of Collingwood-South Georgian Bay

## Questions?