13.10.12 Celebrating Our Asia-Pacific Community

Building Bridges, Crossing Boundaries

The University of Toronto has deep roots in the Asia Pacific region that span more than a century of collaboration, exchange and achievement.

From Norman Bethune, the wartime surgeon who became a household name in China, to Mark Rowswell, the comedian who is known to hundreds of millions of Mandarin speakers as the comedian Dashan, U of T has educated thousands of alumni who have built bridges between Canada and the Asia Pacific. Today, our graduates are found in leadership positions across the region in fields such as medicine, business, education, technology, art and culture, government and academia.

On October 12, 2012, more than 250 alumni and friends gathered in Hong Kong to celebrate the vitality of U of T's Asia Pacific community. The gala event, co hosted by President David Naylor

and Daisy Ho, chair of the University's Hong Kong Foundation, served as the official launch of the Boundless campaign in the Asia Pacific region. The University announced more than \$6 million in new gifts from Asian donors including a \$2 million gift from Ms. Ho and praised the extraordinary commitment of the Hong Kong Foundation to providing needs based scholarships for students bound for U of T.

The gala was the final stop in a series of U of T events, including a science and technology forum in Kyoto, an alumni gathering at the Canadian Embassy in Tokyo and a keynote address by David Naylor to the Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong. These events highlighted U of T's profile in the region and demonstrated the many connections between Toronto and this dynamic part of the world.



A Remarkable Community

With more than 10,000 alumni, the Asia-Pacific region is home to the largest concentration of U of T graduates outside of North America. This active and vibrant community has maintained close ties to U of T and contributed to our growth and profile in the region. U of T alumni and friends support the University in numerous ways, such as hosting dinners, mentoring students, welcoming newcomers and newcomers and their parents, reconnecting with each other and giving back with their time, expertise and financial support. In no small measure, our standing as a great, global university is a reflection of their commitment and generosity.



























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In Their Own Words



Educating Future Health Care Leaders at Nursing 23.10.12

For nearly a century, U of T has helped shape nursing education, research, practice and policy in Canada and around the world. Today, Bloomberg Nursing continues to blaze a trail. On October 23, 2012 nearly 400 students, \$10-million gift in 2007—the largest alumni, family, donors, friends and faculty celebrated the launch of the \$25-million multiphase campaign for the Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing and to recognize student achievement through the annual Student Awards Ceremony.

Dean Sioban Nelson announced the ambitious multi-phase initiative that will enable Nursing to provide even more support for its students and faculty, continue to provide outstanding programs committed to the student experience, increase development opportunities for students through global initiatives and advance the Faculty's international leadership

in nursing education and research. "The first phase of our campaign raised \$15 million in donor support," said Nelson. "Financier and philanthropist, Lawrence S. Bloomberg brought a donation ever made to a Canadian nursing school or faculty."

Dean Nelson also spoke about the important role that charitable giving and philanthropic efforts play in the lives of U of T Nursing students and faculty and acknowledged the generous support of the late Bluma Appel, Byron Bellows, Patrice Merrin and Lawrence S. Bloomberg. With a strong focus on students—the nurses of tomorrow—the campaign for Bloomberg Nursing will help to ensure Canada has the talent and leadership to meet the challenges and opportunities facing health

Nisa Mullaithilaga (BSc 2010) wants to become a paediatric nurse. With a BSc in biology and an MSc in pathology under her belt, Mullaithilaga was well prepared to achieve her dream. With support from generous alumni, Mullaithilaga enrolled in Bloomberg Nursing in the fall of 2012 and is on her way to making a meaningful contribution to nursing and paediatric care.



50 Years of Connections at New College

New College turned 50 in 2012. With student registration at an all-time high and more alumni and friends getting involved than ever before, this momentous milestone encouraged the New College community to look back at past accomplishments and reflect upon goals for the next half century.

Since opening its doors, New College has been preparing young women and men for lives of intellectual engagement, service and accomplishment, grounded in the principles of equity and social justice. Today, the College is embarking on an exciting new chapter, launching a \$6-million campaign as part of Boundless: the Campaign for the University of Toronto.

The campaign will focus on scholarship support, program diversity and enhancements to a building that remains a landmark of modern collegiate architecture. The newly established 50th Anniversary Alumni & Friends Scholarship will ensure that New College students—the professionals, community partners and global citizens of tomorrow—have access to the education they require to succeed. To date more than 200 friends, alumni, faculty and staff have shown their support for New College students by contributing to this fund, creating a permanent scholarship that will allow future generations of students to focus on what matters most: their education.





New One's "without borders" pedagogy forges educational partnerships with local communities while giving students the opportunity to think through the complexities of social justice as they practice global citizenship in different contexts. In their directed wandering around Toronto's vibrant Kensington Market area, New students were able to pursue questions arising from their specific courses, while at the same time, gain a deeper understanding of the history of the market, its peoples and purposes.

29.10.12 Celebrating Our Alumni Mentors

The first-ever University-wide mentor recognition reception took place on October 29, 2012 at the Faculty Club. More than 750 mentors from 21 divisions across the University were invited. Alumni Relations and the University of Toronto Alumni Association (UTAA) hosted and David Naylor thanked the mentors on behalf of the University.

Encouraging mentorship is one of the key initiatives of the UTAA. Along with the UTAA, Alumni Relations and Student Life are working together to encourage alumni to participate as mentors, developing educational training and support materials for them. UTAA President Matt Chapman said the association has worked over the past year to enhance mentorship programs, including holding workshops to discuss issues such as attracting and retaining mentors. The UTAA has a new website that lists all the mentoring programs.

Mentors at the reception received a pin in the shape of an acorn, an iconic U of T symbol. Acorns only appear on fully mature oak trees, and represent the potential that mentors cultivate and encourage. Some of the mentors at the event said it was the first time they had been in the same room as other mentors and that it really made a difference to know that U of T was aware of and recognized their efforts.



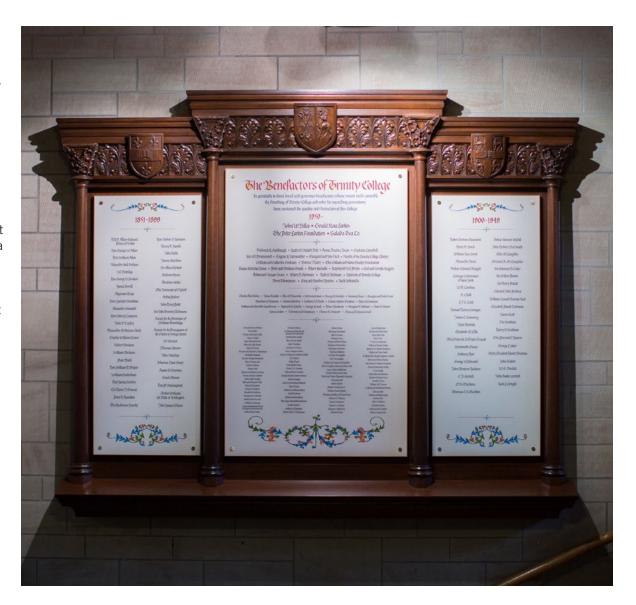




O2.11.12 Celebrating Philanthropy at Trinity

Trinity College is blessed with a generous extended family that demonstrates its unwavering support of the College year after year by providing support to students and academics, to the College's spectacular campus, and to the many programs and activities that shape life at Trinity.

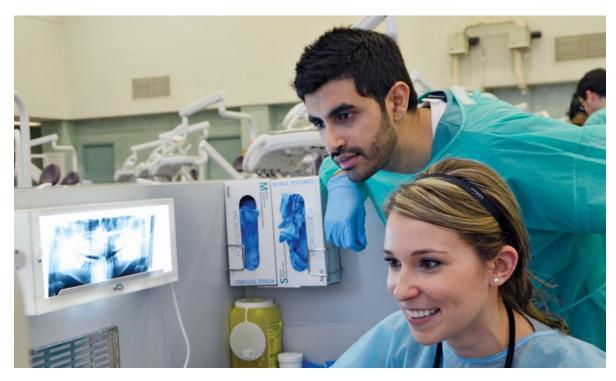
On November 2, 2012, Trinity students, faculty, staff and alumni gathered to unveil a new donor wall, which celebrates the generous contributions of alumni and donors. It is an inspiring list, containing the names of great friends of the College going back to its foundation. The earliest benefactors include not only the future King Edward VII, who came to Canada as the first heir to the throne to visit North America, but also the Duke of Wellington. Located in the main entrance area, opposite the Porter's Lodge, the wall is a striking testament to the decades of support that have lifted the College and enriched student life.



O5.11.12 Advancing Oral Health Care at Dentistry

Every year, thousands of people turn to University of Toronto dentistry clinics for oral care they would not otherwise be able to afford. Supporting these patients through its Access to Care Fund is one of two immediate fundraising objectives for the Faculty of Dentistry.

The Faculty, which launched an \$18-million campaign on November 5th, 2012 has also made financial support for students a priority. Increasing student aid will provide more opportunities for students at both the undergraduate and graduate level to excel in their studies.







11.11.12 Honouring Those Who Served

The Soldiers' Tower, built by the generous donations of alumni, is a memorial to the students, alumni, faculty and staff who gave their lives during the First and Second World Wars. Every year, the University holds a Service of Remembrance to honour their bravery and sacrifice. More than 800 people attended the service in 2012. Major David Platt, chair of the University's Soldiers' Tower Committee, welcomed guests. "Today, as we honour all those who died fighting in Canada's wars, we especially remember the 1,185 men and women of this University's community who were killed in service and whose names are inscribed on our memorial walls," Major Platt said.

The Soldiers' Tower Committee—a dedicated group of 25 alumni, students and others—organizes the Service of Remembrance and oversees the tower's Memorial Room Museum and carillon. Since 2002, the committee, with major support from the University of Toronto Alumni Association and the assistance of the University's Annual Fund, has raised more than \$1 million to restore the tower.





The Memorial Room's defining feature is a striking stained glass window commissioned for Soldiers' Tower and dedicated November 6, 1995. The window's symbolism is based largely on John McCrae's famous war poem "In Flander's Fields." One of four panels depicting the men and women of the services, the sailor taking a sextant sight (right) represents the need for self-appraisal in changing times. Across the bottom of the window are written the words: Service ~ Sacrifice ~ Peace ~ Freedom.



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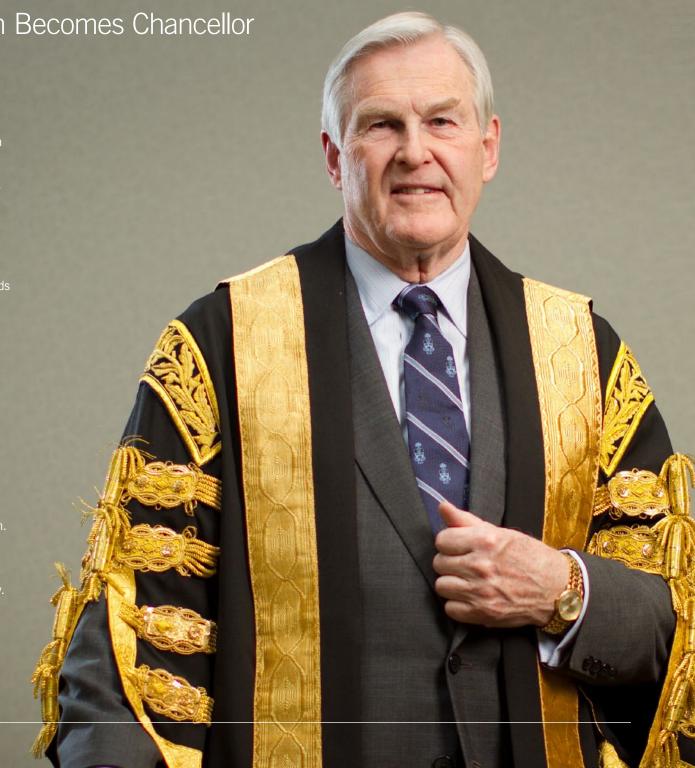
Michael Wilson Becomes Chancellor

The Honourable Michael Wilson was installed as the 33rd Chancellor of the University of Toronto on November 12, 2012, succeeding the Honourable David Peterson, who served for six years. Wilson (BA 1959 TRIN) began his term by presiding over his first convocation that day.

At a special welcome reception at Hart House on November 21, 2012, hundreds of alumni and friends warmly celebrated Wilson's appointment., President David Naylor said "Even by the standards of his illustrious predecessors, Michael Wilson is brilliantly suited to represent this University, at home and abroad."

Wilson is a former federal minister of finance and Canadian ambassador to the United States. He said "it is hard to think of anything more inspiring" than to speak on behalf of the University and its community of students, faculty and alumni. Wilson is the ceremonial head of the University of Toronto's Alumni.

UTAA President Matt Chapman said the association, which elects the chancellor, went through a rigorous process before choosing Wilson. When the call for nominations went out, it stated that the ideal candidate would be a distinguished person with a record of demonstrated excellence in his or her field and in service to the community. Those qualifications, he said, fit Wilson to a tee.





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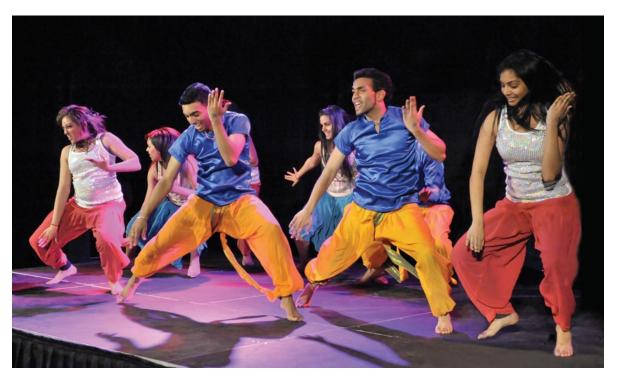
14.11.12 A New Era at UTSC

Impressive new infrastructure and the imminent arrival of the Pan Am Games/Parapan Am in 2015 are heralding a new era of excellence for University of Toronto Scarborough. It was in the midst of this atmosphere of excitement and promise that the campus launched its \$35 million Boundless campaign on November 14, 2012.

"We have been focused on building strong academic and research platforms and the facilities needed to support them," said Principal Franco Vaccarino. "Now, we are building on and enhancing UTSC's elevated place on the global scene."

The campaign launched having already reached 40% of its goal with help from several recent generous gifts. These include \$1.25-million from an anonymous donor to support practicum placements for psychology students and a gift of more than 200 paintings and 6,000 pieces of memorabilia valued at \$3.8 million from the estate of celebrated artist Doris McCarthy. In addition, members of the Tamil community came forward with a gift of \$455,000 for Tamil Studies.

Building on the generous support received to date, the campaign will seek funding for student scholarships, international study and work placements, student leadership development, experiential learning and a visiting scholars program. It will also seek support for emerging areas of scholarship in international studies, management, mental health, environmental science and world hunger.







Protecting the Rouge

"There are more than 700 species of native plants here," says UTSC alumni **Jim Robb** (BSC, 1978), co-founder and general manager of Friends of the Rouge Watershed. "There [are] more than 50 species of fish in the river system [and] the Rouge has more than 95 per cent of all the tree species that occur in Ontario—and this is just a tiny sliver of the province." Jim Robb's twenty-five year battle to protect the Rouge watershed is an inspiring example of persistence, hard work and community engagement paying off in the end.

Environmental science is a hallmark program at University of Toronto Scarborough and a major focus of the UTSC campaign. This past year, an historic agreement between University of Toronto Scarborough and Parks Canada was signed, which boosts UTSC's renowned status as a centre for environmental science. The campus is now the primary education and research partner with the government agency as it transforms nearby Rouge Valley into Canada's first national urban park. The valley will become a living laboratory on UTSC's doorstep for researchers and students to pursue scholarship and experiential education. The benefits are particularly acute considering that field trips internationally or to field stations in Ontario represent a significant financial barrier for many students. Proximity to the Rouge eliminates this barrier allowing all students to gain important field experience in their own backyard. Now that Parks Canada is on-board, Robb's enthusiasm has only grown—his vision for the future of the region is nothing short of spectacular.



University College's Alumni of Influence

Established in 1853, University College has a long list of alumni to honour. On November 15, 2012, the founding college of U of T focused on 100 of its most distinguished graduates of recent times by bestowing the first annual UC Alumni of Influence awards at the Eglinton Grand in Toronto.

Nearly 400 guests, including 58 of the 100, descended on the art-deco theatre for the event. Among them were HIV/AIDS crusader Dr. Stephen Lewis and his wife, journalist Michele Landsberg; computing pioneer Calvin Carl Gotlieb; Supreme Court Justice Rosalie Abella; prominent economist David A. Rosenberg; and contemporary artist Charles Pachter. Alumni speakers included Treasury Board President, the Honourable Tony Clement, U of T President David Naylor and UC Principal Donald Ainslie.

As well as a testament to the loyalty and unity of UC alumni, the evening was an occasion to unveil artist's renderings of a proposed revitalization of the historic University College building. This plan calls for improvements to the beautiful East Hall and West Hall that will be repurposed as a library and reading room, as well as, the Quadrangle and Croft Chapter House. Standards of accessibility throughout the college are to be raised to a level in keeping with the UC tradition of openness.

The UC campaign will be about programming as well as infrastructure. Late in November Principal Ainslie announced an anonymous gift of \$4 million to UC to establish the Richard Charles Lee Chair in Chinese Canadian Studies.







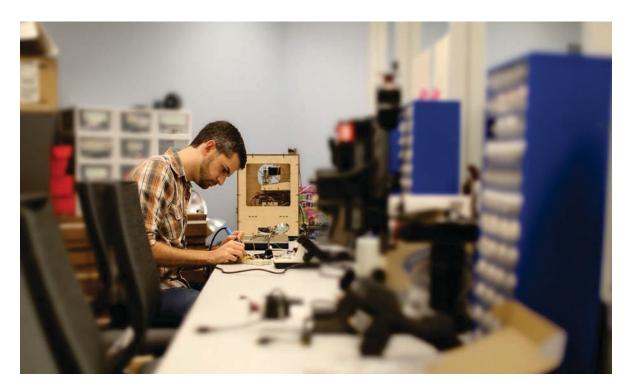


16.11.12 Advancing iSchool

The academic priorities of the Faculty of Information (iSchool) align with many of the most pressing concerns of our time. These issues are not only about access but about how to manage and understand information while upholding democratic principles and protecting creators and proprietors. One need go no further than the latest well-publicized leak of consumer data or diplomatic communication to understand that the stakes are enormous.

The campaign for iSchool will play a major role in the Faculty's ongoing ability to address these issues. The \$7.5-million campaign is seeking support for students through scholarships, experiential learning and other initiatives; program and faculty support to heighten academic capacity; funds to expand research and industry collaborations; and renovation of the famous Coach House to accommodate enrolment growth and evolving research needs.

iSchool, which is dedicated to the study of information in all its forms, most fittingly launched its campaign online on November 16, 2012.







16.11.12 Transforming Pharmacy

U of T's Faculty of Pharmacy has grown from a small village into a vibrant city since Dr. Leslie Dan's (BScPhm 1954, MBA 1959, DSc 1997) transformational gift in 2001. Undergraduate enrolment has doubled and graduate enrolment has tripled and the Faculty has doubled in size. Together with colleagues in pharmacology, faculty members out-publish every university in Canada and all public universities in North America. The Faculty educates 20 per cent of pharmacists in Canada which means that alumni are working in community pharmacies, hospitals and other health care settings, tending to the needs of Canadians from coast to coast to coast.

These facts, combined with the expanded scope of practice for pharmacists in Ontario and other provinces, demands a strategy to ensure that the Faculty can respond quickly to industry, student demand and opportunities for innovation. It was within this spirit that the Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy held its inaugural campaign executive meeting in November to launch its \$40-million campaign, focusing on developing programs and services that enhance the scope of practice and ultimately, the role of the pharmacist in the health care system. The Faculty aims to be one of the top pharmacy faculties in the world by engaging its community of alumni and friends to secure the future of the Faculty in three areas: shaping student life and learning; advancing groundbreaking pharmaceutical research; and expanding programs, services and infrastructure to meet the needs of a changing profession.







20.11.12 Changing Lives Through Social Work

On November 20, 2012, the Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work (FIFSW) launched an ambitious campaign to realize the vision set out in Towards a Better Society, its academic plan. The campaign will propel FIFSW to new heights, building on the Faculty's existing strengths in education, research, practice and policy innovation.

Led by an executive committee of distinguished friends of the Faculty, chaired by Dr. Sheldon Inwentash (BComm 1978), the campaign will enable FIFSW to increase the number of endowed chairs in emerging areas such as child and human development; establish new needs- and merit-based scholarships; build a state-of-the-art simulation lab where students will interact with clients played by actors in realistic settings; and develop international research programs in Brazil, China, Haiti and Thailand.

By mobilizing the resources necessary to meet the needs of students, alumni, researchers, the profession and the institutions and communities in which social workers serve, the campaign will respond to new and existing problems—poverty, homelessness, child abuse, cyber bullying, sexual assault, mental illness, unemployment, aging, chronic illness and others.

The Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work is already one of North America's top-ranked schools. With the support of its visionary benefactors, volunteers and alumni, it will further enhance its standing in the coming years, leading the way to the development of more successful societies in Canada and around the world.







20.11.12 Architecture's Showcase for Sustainable Cities

Thanks to a landmark gift from John H. Daniels (BArch 1950; Hon. LLD 2011) and Myrna Daniels in 2008, the John H. Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape, and Design has embarked on a trajectory of growth and transformation.

During the last four years, the Daniels Faculty has reintroduced an undergraduate major in Architectural Studies, revamped its Master's programs and launched plans for a new PhD program in Architecture, Landscape, and Design. Enrolment has doubled and is on track to triple within the next three years. Public and industry engagement has expanded through a dynamic calendar of lectures, fora, symposia, and conferences. In recent years, Daniels faculty, students, and alumni have won more peer-reviewed awards and prizes than all of the other Canadian schools of architecture and design, combined. The Daniels Faculty, in short, is on a roll.

Building on this momentum, the Faculty has set its sights on becoming one of North America's top schools for architecture and design in the next decade. This vision rests on the realization of a new home for the Daniels Faculty at One Spadina Crescent. One Spadina will create a far more visible platform for the Daniels Faculty and double the amount of space available to students and professors. With more space, the Daniels Faculty will be able to expand and strengthen its research, sustain the growth of its curricular programs, build dynamic, flexible learning environments for students and nurture the next generation of leaders in the field. These young people will develop the ideas, solutions and practices for advancing architecture, cities and better ways of living.





Originally the home of Knox College and later U of T's Connaught labs, One Spadina is one of Toronto's most prominent and historic addresses. The new home for the Daniels Faculty will integrate the original heritage building with a new, state-of-the-art complex on the north end of the circle. The revitalized site will be an urban design exemplar and world-leading venue for studying, conducting research, and advocating for architecture, landscape, and sustainable urbanization

Volunteer Leadership

The broad embrace of the Boundless campaign is a testament to the outstanding community of volunteers who are making the University of Toronto a priority in their lives. Through their involvement and leadership, they are strengthening our institution and providing the support our students and faculty need to sustain U of T's excellence and global impact.

The volunteers who serve on the University of Toronto Alumni Association and our divisional alumni associations and alumni bodies play a vital role in U of T's success by lending their expertise to governance, supporting efforts to build lifelong alumni experiences with the University and helping create new avenues for alumni to support the University's goals.

Over the past 12 months, more than 250 volunteers have joined the ranks of campaign executives and campaign cabinets across the University to help divisions build momentum and intensify their outreach to alumni and donor communities.

These volunteer leaders, by endorsing our most exciting academic plans and visions, serve as powerful voices of influence and outreach for University. Their involvement at U of T lifts sights and inspires others to consider greater levels of engagement and support. Through their diverse connections, they deepen the University's ties with communities at home and abroad and help connect our students and faculty with leaders across a broad range of professions. Since the Boundless campaign launched, they have contributed more than \$230 million to the University's highest priorities. We are truly fortunate to have such leadership and generosity.

As the Boundless campaign seeks to reach greater levels of alumni engagement and donor support, volunteers—whether they give their time, expertise or financial support—will continue to be a vital, catalytic resource for U of T.



The campaign leadership for the Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape, and Design

Afterword

During the twelve months since the public launch of Boundless, we witnessed new levels of alumni engagement and volunteerism, as well as record levels of giving.

Through a myriad of alumni events, initiatives and programs, the University is drawing more alumni into the life of the institution as volunteers, advocates, mentors, lifelong learners and supporters. From Shaker events for recent graduates to new community engagement and mentorship opportunities, we are creating multiple pathways for alumni to pursue their interests, connect with like-minded alumni, celebrate alumni success and strengthen their bonds to U of T. Boundless has helped create a narrative for alumni that captures the wide range of opportunities for involvement at U of T.

At the same time, the Boundless campaign has rallied our community around a common vision for

U of T's role and aspirations, inviting donors to explore the tangible impact of their generosity by supporting the unlimited potential of our brightest minds. Over this period, Boundless has lifted the profile of the University as a priority for philanthropic and volunteer leadership while raising \$215 million in new commitments from 25,330 donors.

As we look forward to next year, we are buoyed by the strength our alumni community and the outpouring of support we have received for the Boundless campaign thus far. Our students, faculty, alumni and friends are passionate about the University's mission to prepare global leaders and meet the most complex global challenges of our time. Together we have an opportunity to accomplish extraordinary things for U of T and the communities we serve.

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