The Case for Dawson

Fundraising priorities

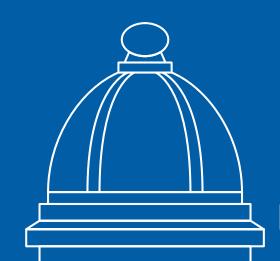
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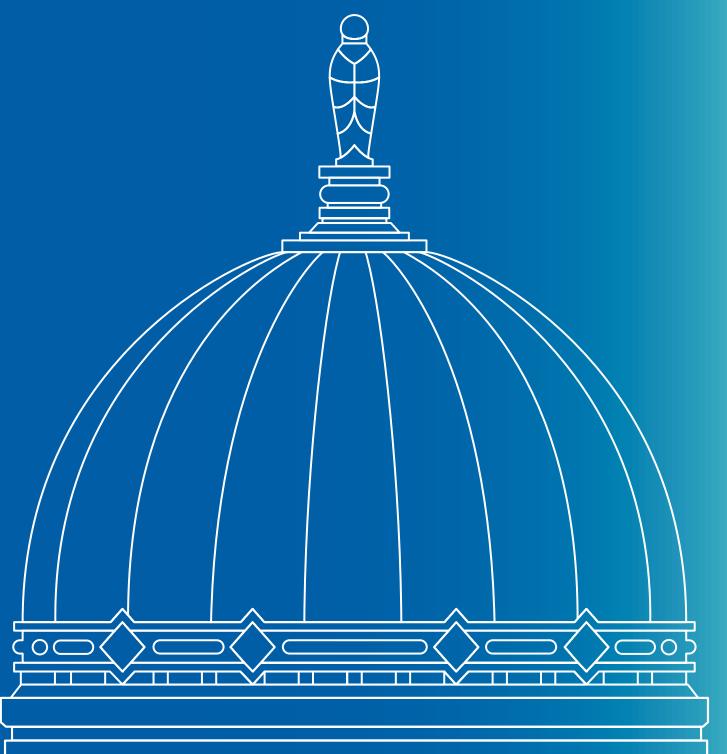
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Investing in Students







Since welcoming its first class in 1969, Dawson College has instructed over 100,000 graduates.

For more than 50 years, our graduates have enriched the cultural, scientific, business, political, artistic, and social life of Montréal and beyond.



Valedictorian addresses the graduating Class of 2023.

Today, the Dawson College Foundation invites you to be an integral part of this journey.

Dawson is a public college filled with a community of dreamers, doers, and difference-makers.

Your contribution today sets the stage for a tomorrow where the aspirations of our students know no bounds.

2014

The Sustainability Office launches Dawson's Living Campus

2015

The Warren G. Flowers Art Gallery is doubled in size

2016

The First Peoples
Centre opens

2017

The Dawson College Health Clinic opens

Dawson in a decade

2018

The Medical Ultrasound
Technology program
is introduced

2019

The Dawson A.I. Initiative takes off

2020

Dawson is named a gold-level leader in sustainability & Women's/Gender Studies celebrates 50 years at the college

2022

Dawson's Living Campus wins International Green Gown Award as sustainability institution of the year

2021

The Dawson Peace Garden turns 10 years old

Enhancing the campus space

It is widely acknowledged that
Dawson is facing a significant
government-recognized space deficit,
leaving our students with limited
areas to gather, collaborate, and
simply exist beyond the confines of
the classroom.

It is undeniable that the design and care of an institution's landscape defines its values. With an emphasis on both increasing and protecting biodiversity, Dawson College is at the forefront of innovation when it comes to the intersection between education and sustainability.

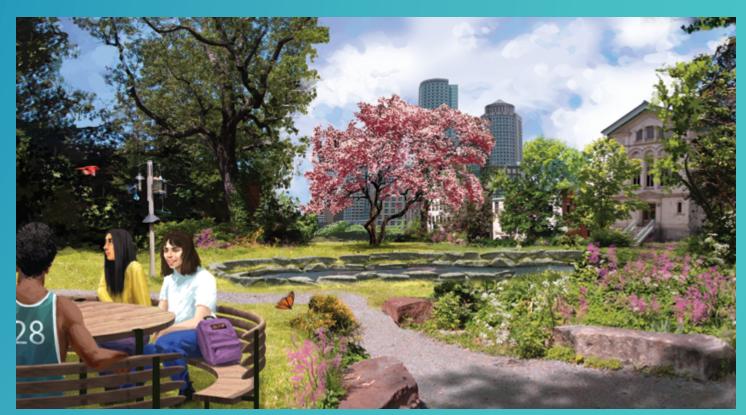
Seizing this momentum, we are undertaking a bold and expansive project to reimagine Dawson's landscape, informed through Indigenous ways of knowing.

Above all else, we are committed to providing spaces that contribute to and improve well-being for all in the Dawson community.

We envision a campus that tells a story of generosity, solidarity, and collective progress towards the better.



Dawson students volunteering in the Peace Garden.



Concept art of Dawson's landscaping reimagined.

Our campus promises to be the pride of future generations of students who can learn in an environment designed for inspiration, connection, and knowledge-building.



Concept art of Dawson's landscaping reimagined.

Enhancing the student experience

The Dawson College Foundation is the steward of two major funds which both rely on donations and community contributions to operate.

SAGE

The Student Academic Growth & Enrichment (SAGE) fund unlocks a realm of learning experiences that fuel academic passion and leave an indelible mark on both students and faculty.

SAGE enables ventures that redefine the boundaries of students' academic journeys with opportunities such as conferences, purchasing state of the art equipment, experiential learning, and international learning trips.

Seeds

The Seeds fund is dedicated to fostering para-academic growth and empowerment, and its core focus areas encompass a vibrant array of opportunities within the Dawson community for creativity and growth.

By providing "seed" money to encourage para-academic activities that further enhance the student experience at Dawson, Seeds helps to support students' art activities, college athletics, sustainability efforts, club life, and outreach initiatives aligning with the college's values.



Contributions to SAGE and Seeds represent investments in Dawson College that echo through our corridors and shape the experiences of every student.

Enhancing the learning environment

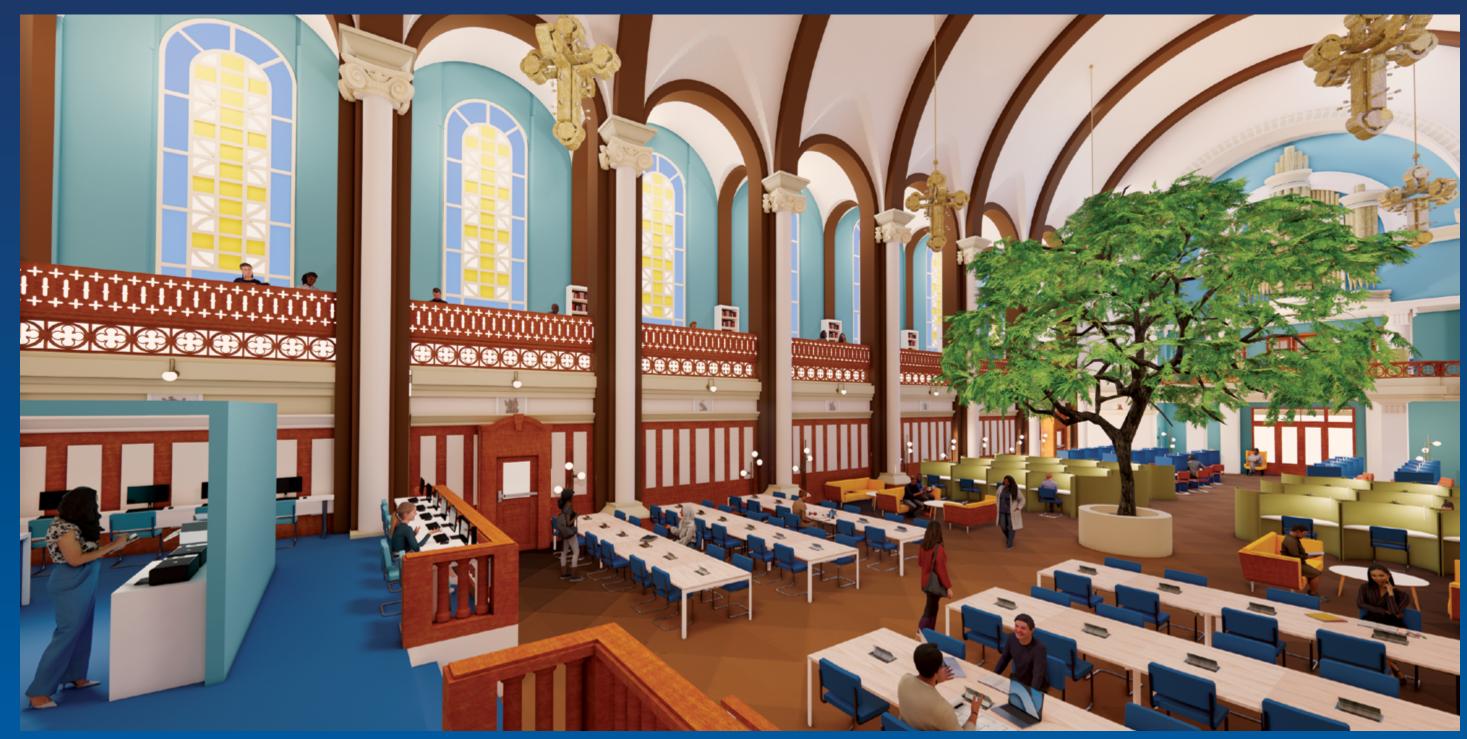
You can help us enhance the learning environment by contributing to the creation of active learning classrooms that ignite curiosity, blend knowledge with innovation, and pave the way for Dawson students to be leaders in redefining a better and brighter future.

By embracing the latest in educational technology and flexible classroom design, we can create spaces that empower students to actively participate in their own education and lay the groundwork for future success that extends far beyond the traditional classroom.



Students posing in the Dawson library, a heritage site.

Enhancing the learning environment



Conceptual design for the modernization of the Dawson library showcasing the chapel space.

Beyond the redesign, our library will be equipped with a new HVAC system and every study station will feature electrical outlets to support student success in the 21st century.

As we stand on the threshold of transforming Dawson College's library into a dynamic hub of knowledge, the opportunity before us is monumental. Dawson's library must meet the needs of the brilliant students who use it every day, and it is the key to producing graduates who will go on to make meaningful, long-lasting societal contributions.

Transforming our library into a learning commons is a powerful investment in our future nurses, medical technologists, artists, designers, scientists, teachers, engineers, political leaders, writers, entrepreneurs, and critical thinkers.

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Conceptual design of the Dawson library featuring new computer spaces for our students.

Our new library and classrooms will redefine learning at Dawson College and allow us to continue leading the future of education for generations to come.



Dawson students deserve better.

Better opportunities to explore, better resources to thrive, and better pathways to shape their destinies. Remember that what our students receive, the world receives in return tenfold. Together, let's empower their educational journey while building a resilient community that honours the vibrancy of Québec society. Your gift matters. Donate today and help Dawson continue providing experiences that propel changemakers towards greatness.



As our students evolve into tomorrow's leaders, the impact of your generosity extends far beyond Dawson. It reverberates through communities, industries, and society at large. More than anything else, your support represents an investment into the legacy of the college.

Every gift you make is a vote of confidence in the potential of Dawson College students.

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