



# ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

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George Brown College is located on the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and other Indigenous peoples who have lived here over time. We are grateful to share this land as treaty people who learn, work, and live in the community with each other.



## MESSAGE FROM BOARD CHAIR

The preceding year presented its fair share of challenges: the rise of inflation, the ongoing conflict in the Ukraine, and the enduring impact of the pandemic on our daily lives. Yet amidst these trials, 2022 marked the beginning of a gradual return to a sense of normalcy.

As the year ended, individuals started to resume their presence in workplaces, and with the resurgence of economic activity, optimism grew for a more promising 2023. I hold firm in my belief that this optimism will be well-founded.

In our pursuit of deep transformations, we have remained steadfast in upholding our rigorous standards for quality assurance. Leveraging the power of data, we have made agile decisions that have fortified our position as a leading institution. Furthermore, we have nurtured and strengthened our partnerships with industry and research collaborators, recognizing that these alliances are crucial to our continued growth and impact. All of this has supported our primary work - that of helping George Brown College students achieve their dreams and contribute to a better world for all.

But beyond the tangible achievements and strategic advancements, our guiding light has been our shared values. By continually reflecting upon our purpose, we have embraced change and fostered growth as an institution. And in this journey of transformation, we are grateful to have you, our valued stakeholders, alongside us.

We express our gratitude to the dedicated employees of George Brown, whose unwavering commitment played a pivotal role in our achievement. Looking ahead, the upcoming year holds abundant prospects. Guided by the newly-developed and ambitious Strategy 2026, and propelled by a capable team, we are confident in our capacity to seize the opportunities as they arise.



**Kevin Costante**  
Chair, George Brown College Board of Governors



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

### **Dear George Brown students, employees, partners, and our extended community,**

With great pride and gratitude, I am pleased to share our final Strategy 2022 Annual Report. Our Strategy 2022 was exceptional in many ways. We have set the foundations for building a strong, prominent, and sustainable college for the future.

As an institution intertwined within the vibrant, diverse, and dynamic Toronto communities, we have fostered an environment that values and empowers the unique perspectives and contributions of all members of our community while actively ensuring equitable opportunities for growth and development for our students and employees.

In preparing our Annual Report, we reflect upon the year that has passed – our collective achievements, and the strides we have made. This report celebrates the culmination of our efforts. Our values are summarized as LEAD, representing Learner-focused, Excellence, Accountability and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. Truth and Reconciliation is core to Canada's future and, at George Brown, we value the knowledge and teachings of Indigenous Peoples. Indigenization is an action we are committed to on the journey towards reconciliation.

This past year, we embraced wholeheartedly the four key pillars of our Strategy 2022: Future Skills, Connections, New Ways of Teaching, Learning, and Service Delivery, and Foundations for Success. The work that lies at the foundation of each of these commitments is bold and foundational. From envisioning a sustainable and inclusive future to revolutionizing student learning and pedagogy, coupled with personalized integrated learning opportunities, we have consistently pushed boundaries and pioneered innovative approaches.

Our academic portfolio began evolving to meet the needs of tomorrow. In 2022-2023, we initiated a number of new programming options and delivery modalities, work integrated learning, and experiential learning alternatives in alignment with local and global labour markets and changing learning needs.



Signaling George Brown's commitment to sustainability, we have commenced the work on an innovative eco-friendly mass timber building Limberlost Place. Addressing climate change, supporting innovation, and focusing on infrastructure gaps, Limberlost Place will open its doors in 2024. The building will house the Brookfield Sustainability Institute, which will connect community and industry partners to develop solutions to problems posed by climate change and explore tangible ways to develop sustainable communities.

As you delve into this report, you will discover a tapestry of accomplishments that exemplify our dedication, resilience, and unwavering commitment to excellence. Together, we have embarked on a remarkable voyage, and I invite you to join us in celebrating the collective successes that have defined this extraordinary year. I thank and congratulate our students, employees, Board of Governors, local and global partners, and the community that has shaped and guided us over the years.



**Dr. Gervan Fearon**  
President, George Brown College

# THE GEORGE BROWN OF 2030

## Our Values (LEAD)<sup>1</sup>

### Learner-Focused

We focus on the needs, success and well-being of our learners always.

### Excellence

We honour our commitments, act ethically and with integrity, and deliver superior performance.

### Accountability

We hold ourselves responsible for environmental, social and resource sustainability.

### Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

We show mutual respect in all of our behaviour to create a sense of belonging both within the community of George Brown and with all of our stakeholders.

## Our Impact

**Why we do what we do?** Turn learning into opportunity

**How we do it?** We create the optimal conditions for learners to realize their success by offering an exceptional learning ecosystem.

**The impact we have:** Empowered lifelong learners who imagine possibilities and embrace change.

## Our Vision 2030 Aspirations

The George Brown of 2030 is bold and transformed. It is:

- Highly personalized
- Physical, digital and experiential
- Focused on lifelong learning
- Connected to industry and community partners
- Locally strong, globally connected
- Differentiated
- Resilient

To learn more about George Brown's Vision 2030, visit [georgebrown.ca/strategy](https://georgebrown.ca/strategy)

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<sup>1</sup> The George Brown Vision, Mission, and Values are evolving. This document reflects the representation of Vision, Mission, and Values as articulated in Strategy 2022.



# Strategy 2026

## External Factors

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- New Talent Landscape
- Economies in Flux
- Mental Health and Well-being
- Environmental Sustainability
- Shifting Consumer Behaviours, Habits and Expectations
- Learning Space Design
- Data Privacy and Cybersecurity
- Agile Program Mix
- Digital Transformation
- Blended Teaching and Learning
- Shifting PSE Policy Frameworks

### Mission

We turn learning into opportunity.

### Vision

Our vision is to be a college renowned for its inclusion, excellence, relevance, impact, and leadership.

### 2026 Priorities

Attract and Engage Diverse Learners  
Innovative Academic and Research Initiatives  
Connections that Build and Contribute to the Future  
Environmental Sustainability  
Foundation of Equity  
Financial Sustainability

Outstanding student experiences, inclusive career-oriented educational programs, excellence in research, and community engagement.

**VISION 2030**

## Strategy 2022

The strategic commitments that underpin our plan are the crucial and critical opportunities and issues that demand our attention and action. They are the “must-dos” to ensure that we build positive momentum toward our aspirations for 2030. They will act as guideposts to shape college plans over the next year. We have also identified priorities that will drive the changes required and that will support and enable the college to build our capabilities and capacity to embrace and absorb change.

### Commitment 1: Future Skills

Deliver learning experiences that prepare learners for future and global skills.

#### Priorities:

1. Embed the human skills framework across the learning experience.
2. Advance and expand accessible and high-quality experiential learning.
3. Enhance cultural sensitivities and capabilities (internationalization) of the learner and employee experience..

### Commitment 2: Connections

Build interconnected partnerships with institutions, industry and community.

#### Priorities:

1. Develop partnerships with employers and industry to increase career relevancy for learners through co-creation and collaboration.
2. Increase impact with enhanced industry-led research and innovation.
3. Build an expansive lifelong learning ecosystem with new and emerging academic and institutional partnerships.

### Commitment 3: New Ways of Teaching, Learning, and Service Delivery

Raise the standard of the learner experience and expand the variety of delivery models.

#### Priorities:

1. Optimize the learner’s blended learning experience (digital, physical, experiential) with next-generation teaching and learning methods.
2. Build personalized models for learning experiences.
3. Explore and test new delivery models and revenue generating opportunities.



## Commitment 4: Foundations for Success

Focus on our fundamentals to help anticipate, absorb and manage change.

### Priorities:

1. **HUMAN CENTERED.** Utilize the expertise of our people, emphasizing innovation capabilities and improving digital fluency.
2. **DIGITAL.** Enhance data-driven decision making with analytics and introduce digital innovations to optimize how we work, teach and learn.
3. **INDIGENIZATION.** Deliver on Colleges and Institutes Canada's Indigenous education protocols and implement a framework for action and accountability.
4. **ANTI-RACISM.** To build on the key strategic recommendations and actions in our Anti-Racism Action Plan.
5. **SUSTAINABILITY.** Develop behaviours, actions and policies that lead to environmental, financial and social sustainability.
6. **OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE.** Deliver continuous improvements and streamlined processes, and address infrastructure gaps to reflect new realities and empower our teams.



# UPDATE ON 2022-2023 BUSINESS PLAN GOALS

## Commitment 1: Future Skills

### **Deliver learning experiences that prepare learners for future and global skills.**

The Work Integrated Learning (WIL), Experiential Education & Global Mobility Office improved processes and developed infrastructure to deliver innovative work-integrated and experiential learning opportunities for our students. In 2022-2023, George Brown secured over \$1.4M in grants for both domestic and global WIL activities including industry projects, entrepreneurial initiatives, field placements, and service-learning programs.

Over the past two years, the College has submitted 27 proposals to the CEWIL iHub, receiving approval for all of them, and benefiting 673 students with an average stipend of over \$1,500. Furthermore, funding of \$249K was secured through the Business + Higher Education Roundtable (BHER) program targeting industry partners and sectors negatively impacted by the pandemic. This resulted in the creation of 770 new experiential learning experiences and collaboration with 431 new employers. Finally, the Colleges and Institutes Canada (CiCAN) Global Skills Opportunity (GSO) Grant of \$500K secured over five years allowed the College to test different tools, supports, and services to create inclusive study and work abroad opportunities for underrepresented populations such as low-income, BIPOC, and disabled students. In 2022-2023 the grant has enabled the participation of 236 students in global experiential learning opportunities. Special emphasis is placed on the adoption of new, cutting-edge experiential learning technology, with 32 percent of career-focused programs offering at least one tech-based learning activity and the potential for college-wide adoption.

The highest quality of programs is at the forefront of George Brown College's provision. Recognizing that a set of essential non-technical skills are needed to thrive in today's digitally powered organizations, the Human Skills Framework (HSF) has been embedded in a variety of programs such as the Experience Record, where over 600 students recorded the human skills acquired through co-curricular programs, leadership opportunities and jobs, and the Student Employee-Peer Leader project, where ladderred human skills were embedded into the curriculum.

Based on requirements of the College's Quality Assurance Process (CQAAP) undertaken in 2021, and in alignment with existing strategic projects, student services were enhanced through project RiSE, and the academic quality dashboard and quality assurance processes were created. Incorporating the portfolio review model and a comprehensive program revitalization action plan, the academic quality dashboard is in the final stages of user testing and near its launch, while training materials are near completion. In addition, Program Advisory Committees' (PACs) engagement was supported through a Program Advisory Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system, and new program development was streamlined through a new approval process. Finally, the first phase of the enrollment yield tracker, an admissions dashboard, was completed in 2022, enhancing transparency and data-driven enrolment planning and decision-making.



## Commitment 2: Connections

### **Build interconnected partnerships with institutions, industry and community.**

This year George Brown implemented its first Commercialization Policy and Annual Commercialization Plan in accordance with the provincial commercialization mandate for post-secondary institutions. A variety of new initiatives took place enhancing the reputation of the College and its links to industry.

George Brown's researchers and students in Textile and Garment collaborated with six industry partners to deliver projects resulting in new or improved products and services, with more results in the pipeline. Their work incorporated advancements in textile technology, improved fit, performance features, and textile testing capabilities.

In April 2023 the College joined the Southern Ontario Network for Advanced Manufacturing Innovation group (SONAMI), comprised of nine post-secondary institutions with the goal of helping local manufacturers in a range of industries develop innovative solutions to adapt to disruption and increase competitiveness. With SONAMI funding, our researchers and students engaged in several projects this year.

Guidelines for Program Advisory Committees (PACs) were put in place and accompanying templates, support material and training sessions were tailored to internal and external audiences. Maintenance infrastructure was enhanced, and reporting was automated.

The global engagement plan and the research and innovation plan are set to launch in fall 2023, in alignment with the academic and strategic enrolment plans.



## **Commitment 3: New Ways of Teaching, Learning, and Service Delivery**

**Raise the standard of the learner experience and expand the variety of delivery models.**

Placing George Brown firmly on the post-secondary education map as a thought leader in the teaching and learning space, the College's Teaching and Learning Exchange (TLX) team has engaged an educational technology team to support the digitalization of the student learning experience. Their tasks included supporting faculty engagement with the latest digital teaching tools, delivering immersive learning experiences such as VR and XR, and enhancing the development of digital curriculum assets, such as videos and other multimedia experiences. In the coming year, the team will be leading several pilot projects including an exploration of the impact of digital technologies on student learning and pedagogy. A dedicated role to the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning will be added with a mandate to launch a Teaching Innovation Seed Fund to encourage faculty to pursue innovative teaching practices and to socialize with pedagogy research. Finally, a Teaching Innovation Lab will be opening at 200 King Street to provide space for faculty experimentation with next generation teaching technologies and approaches.

Meanwhile, in 2022-2023 the Online Education project delivered a framework for the design and delivery of high-quality online educational experiences at scale establishing a culture of excellence in online teaching and learning. The framework's application is manifested in the transition to the innovative and multi-tooled D2L Brightspace learning management system supporting a high-impact, inclusive online learning experience. The project also produced an updated set of policies related to online learning and funded events such as the annual Innovation Exhibition, run in 2022-2023 and with next year's event focusing on disruptive technologies, such as Artificial Intelligence, and the opportunities that they provide.

Finally, in a world-first move the Centre for Continuous Learning (CCL) has expanded its asynchronous, on demand program offerings in 2022-2023 to include an Electric Vehicle (EV) Technician Certificate program that has attracted interest from students and employers across North America. CCL has provided training to both private sector and government organizations, including the Department of National Defence, the Ontario Building Officials Association and the Ontario Provincial Emergency Management Office.

In the area of student experience, the collaborative process to re-imagine the student experience (project RiSE) made strides in transforming the service ecosystem at George Brown to enable students' seamless access to college services and resources for their wellbeing, academic, and career success. Four streams were completed in 2022 – the Digital Hub (a portal for current students), Chatbot/Live Chat Service, the interactive chat service, a centralized knowledgebase, and a CRM-enabled service referral process is due to be launched in Spring 2023.



## Commitment 4: Foundations for Success

Focus on our fundamentals to help anticipate, absorb, and manage change.

### Human Centered

Under the Future of Work (FoW) initiative, focusing on changes to the way we work inspired by the pandemic, George Brown College has created over 35,000 square feet of purpose-built work environments to support our transition to a hybrid mode of working and promote creativity, access, and personalization. Following extensive stakeholder engagement, in fall 2022, two pilot spaces opened in our St James Campus at 230 Richmond St East and 300 Adelaide St East, benefiting more than 450 staff and students. The new spaces featured collaboration areas that range from teleconference-ready lounge areas to multi-modal meeting rooms; flexible and highly ergonomic sit-stand workstations; wellbeing spaces for quiet reflection and mental health; sound-proofed pods for calls; and spaces dedicated to social interaction. The new arrangement increased space efficiency by 41 per cent in 2022-2023 compared to pre-pandemic office space utilization and is futureproofed to allow for ongoing and responsive change.

Guided by a long-term vision towards 2050 and rooted on data around existing space utilization, the campus master plan work was advanced this year and is expected to be completed by the end of 2023.

In the area of human resources, several projects have advanced in 2022-2023. First steps have been completed in the Performance and Compensation Program Design project working on non-executive administration roles towards developing a compensation philosophy that strengthens recruitment, retention, pay equity, and transparency in evaluation and compensation. In talent management, 270 jobs were reviewed, documented and evaluated in 2022-2023 and all outdated job descriptions of administration and support roles were updated. In recruitment, over 438 roles were filled, 27 per cent of which were new job openings with the remaining being replacement roles. Internally developed talent was recruited for sixty four per cent of available roles.

### Anti-Racism

Several initiatives were completed under the umbrella of the College's Anti-Racism program. Following the Anti-Racism Action Plan, the focus this year has been on organization awareness and alignment, before moving to next year's initiatives around assessment and review. 62 per cent of employees completed the developed online module on anti-racism, with plans to launch a similar open module to students in 2023-2024. Additionally, a micro-site with learning resources such as a leadership toolkit, and an Anti-Racism Primer, was created by the Office of Anti-Racism, Equity, and Human Rights Services (OAREHRS) while the initiative 'Take 5 for Anti-Racism' was implemented in bi-weekly meetings attended by all administrators. George Brown's first stand-alone demographic census, the Employment Equity survey was completed this year with responses representing all divisions and providing robust data to advance our equity goals.



## Indigenization

In 2022 the Indigenous Education Strategy was unveiled highlighting the meaning of Indigenous education for George Brown College and providing the foundation for institutional change. Highlights of progress in this area include securing donor funding of \$500K to support Indigenous learners, recruitment of three new full-time compliments in the Indigenous Initiatives team, and establishing a community partnership with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. The first George Brown College Indigenous Student Centre at the college's Waterfront campus was opened, offering 'home away from home' for Indigenous learners and providing access to printing, computers, sacred medicines, and Indigenous Initiatives staff who can assist with financial, cultural, and academic inquiries. In September 2022, the Indigenous self-identification campaign was launched following a four-phase development plan in collaboration with the Centre for Business and mentorship and in the Winter 2023 semester an Indigenous Mentorship Program was launched. In its second year, the Indigenous Knowledge Keeper Series (IKKS) hosted members from within and outside the College in different stages of life learning, to share experiences with underlying principles of respect, relevance, reciprocity, and responsibility. Themes for the series were chosen in alignment with days of significance, for example the National Day of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (MMIWG) or Earth Day. Other events organized included the Sacred Fire Ceremony held at Waterfront Campus for the community to take part on the occasion of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, also known as Orange Shirt Day.

## Sustainability

George Brown is committed to sustainable operations and is currently at the final stages of recruiting a Director of Sustainability to drive this work forward. The Brookfield Sustainability Institute, an innovation hub engaging community and industry partners has successfully completed its first-year plan.

During 2022-2023, significant progress was achieved in the construction of Limberlost Place, George Brown's 10-storey mass-timber, net-zero carbon emissions building currently under way at Waterfront Campus. The bridge connection between Limberlost and Daphne Cockwell buildings was erected, and the installation of the curtainwall envelope commenced. On target for a summer 2024 opening, Limberlost continues to amass recognition, accolades, and a list of prestigious awards from around the globe. This year Limberlost Place won the special WAFX Award that celebrates international projects embracing cutting-edge design approaches and addressing major world issues ranging from the climate crisis to fostering community resilience. The building has also been short-listed for a 2022 World Architecture Festival Award in the category of Future Project: Education. The Project received substantial media coverage and tours of the construction site were offered to partners, politicians, media, and industry professionals.



## Digital

Several digital transformation projects have made considerable progress in 2022-2023 and are in renewed focus under the leadership of the new VP, Information Technology and Digital Transformation. In 2022 the first versions of Digital Experience and CRM roadmaps were completed as part of George Brown's student journey transformation to a holistic and integrated digital experience.

The draft Enterprise Systems Renewal plan was also recently completed. The launch of a new learning management system with a participation of select courses took place in collaboration between the Information Technology division and academic areas, with a plan to expand usage to 528 courses by the end of August 2023.

In 2022-2023 student service requests handling has migrated to Salesforce to allow for synergies in addressing the issues affecting students by the Office of the Registrar teams including the contact center, registration, financial services, and international admissions.

In 2022 the College continued to make strides in the cyber security program to further the institution's maturity and enable the College to have a reliable IT infrastructure for business continuity. The plan of action encompassed a defense-in-depth approach, implementing layered security measures throughout the College to effectively mitigate cyber risks. Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) was deployed as an added layer of protection.

## Operational Excellence

In 2022-2023 special emphasis was placed in domestic and international recruitment at George Brown with targets to recovery back to pre-pandemic enrolment levels. Laddering and pathway opportunities for students were increased, which alongside intentional direct communication led to increased enrolment and retention. In the domain of enterprise risk management, work commenced in 2022-2023 with the goal of building institutional resilience and longevity as a leading post-secondary institution in the region.

In addition, the College's Institutional Policy development and review framework is underway and accompanying consultation protocol has been developed. This work will ensure that the college's policies are relevant to the changing environment in which we operate, and holistically incorporate our values, vision, mission, and strategic direction.

With the previous plan expiring in 2022, a multi-year accessibility plan (MYAP) for the period 2023-2028 was developed for George Brown, to remain compliant to the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation as a designated public sector organization. The plan was developed by Office of Anti-Racism, Equity, and Human Rights Services (OAREHRS) in consultation with the College's Accessibility for Ontarians with Disability (AODA) Committee, key college stakeholders and support from external consultation. The plan focuses on improved accessibility implemented college-wide, with emphasis on compliance, capacity building, and built environment assessment.



# FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

## Build a Sustainable Financial and Resource Model

The College exceeded the operating surplus target for the year and delivered an operating surplus that will be used to fund high-priority capital projects. 2022-2023 operating surplus includes \$36M gain on sale of two administrative buildings. The College met all of the Ministry’s Financial Health indicators, improving 5 of the 7 benchmarks compared to prior year.

### Operating Revenue by Source, 2022-23 – \$458 million

Operating Revenue	Amount
Grants and Reimbursements	\$147
Student Fees	225
Ancillary	17
Other	69
Total	\$458

### Operating Expenditures, 2022-23 – \$415 million

Operating Expenditures	Amount
Salaries & Benefits	\$250
Supplies and Other Expenses	98
Plant, Property and Capital	61
Scholarships & Bursaries	6
Total	\$415

During the year, the George Brown College Foundation provided \$4.9M directly to the College, comprising of \$0.5M for various projects, \$3.1M for capital initiatives and \$1.3M for student scholarships and awards. Also in 2022-2023, the College received over \$2.4M in research awards, and \$0.5M in investment from industry. The College’s Community Partnerships Office secured \$2.0M in funding from Ministry and private sector funders. The College implemented a Responsibility Center Management (RCM) budget framework aligned with Strategic Priority #6 - Financial Sustainability. The integration of budget, risk, and operational plans continues across the College.

Please refer to [Appendix A](#) for our audited financial statements.



# SUBSIDIARIES AND FOUNDATIONS

## George Brown College Council

The George Brown College Council represents the entire college community and includes representatives from faculty, administrative staff, support staff and students. The mandate of the council is to represent the college community in providing timely feedback to the President on issues that are of college-wide significance. The focus of the George Brown College Council is to:

- Provide timely advice to the President on policies and practices that are of college-wide significance and related to the college's stated strategic priorities.
- Communicate regularly with the college community, bringing issues forward for Council to consider and reporting back on the work of Council.

In fulfilling these responsibilities, College Council establishes annual goals aligned with the college's strategic priorities as determined by the Board of Governors and the Senior Management Committee. While College Council generally provides a college wide perspective on issues of strategic significance, College Council may also consider and advise on operational issues when relevant. Council meets on the third Thursday of each month (September to November and January to June). Council's work during the past academic year (September 2022-June 2023) included:

### College Council Topical Schedule for 2022-2023

#### **September 15, 2022**

- Member Introductions
- President's Update
- Mission, Vision, Mandate Priorities of Strategy 2026
- Strategic Priorities
- College Master Plan
- Indigenous Initiative Update

#### **October 20, 2022**

- President's Update
- Future of Work
- United Way Update
- Brookfield Sustainability Institute
- Academic Planning Update
- Anti-Racism Initiative

#### **November 17, 2022**

- President's Update
- SAGBC Core Services and Programming
- Foundations of Equity Update
- Anti-Racism Action Plan
- New Program Concepts

#### **January 19, 2023**

- President's Update
- Ask the President
- Academic Plan/Future of Learning
- Research Plan
- TLX Update
- Policy Development and Review Framework

#### **February 16, 2023**

- Academic Plan/Future of Learning
- Strategic Enrolment



### **March 16, 2023**

- President's Update
- Ask the President
- Office of Advancement Plans: Alumni Relations, Foundation Fundraising
- Student Panel

### **April 20, 2023**

- President's Update
- Ask the President
- Global Engagement Plan
- Financial Sustainability and Integrated Budgeting
- People Plan Approach

### **May 18, 2023**

- President's Update
- Ask the President
- Community Engagement Plan
- Environmental Sustainability
- Update on Campus Master Plan

### **June 8, 2023**

- President's Update
- Workplan 2023
- Student Services and Experiences Plan
- Updates on Strategy 2026

## **George Brown College Foundation**

The George Brown College Foundation, established in 1984, is a separately incorporated registered charity that serves as the primary fundraising vehicle for George Brown College. The Foundation is guided by a volunteer Board of Directors who support the College's mandate of increasing access to education by raising money to support student success through scholarships, bursaries and awards.

Together with the college, we work to advance George Brown's commitment to excellence in teaching, applied learning and innovation, as well as its commitment to access, diversity and mutual respect.

Together with our donors, we work to ensure that no student is denied a post-secondary education at George Brown College because of financial constraints.

### **What is our Mission and Mandate?**

George Brown College is dedicated to providing the highest possible calibre of education to its students and to making its programs accessible to all. The Foundation helps the College achieve this goal by raising money to support student success through scholarships and bursaries as well as through larger initiatives that strengthen the College's ability to offer programs for specific industries and professions.

Our mission is to raise funds for the college that will:

- Advance the college's commitment to excellence in teaching, applied learning and innovation.
- Enable George Brown's programs, facilities and services to be best-in-class.
- Enable George Brown to be a key resource in shaping the future of Toronto.
- Help George Brown produce graduates who are the candidates of choice for employers.
- Support George Brown's commitment to access, diversity and mutual respect.
- Enable the college to achieve its goal that no student is denied a George Brown College education because of the financial burden.





## Appendix A: The George Brown College of Arts and Technology Audited Financial Statements

Please visit our website [georgebrown.ca](https://www.georgebrown.ca) for our latest audited financial statements.

The George Brown College of Applied Arts and Technology

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023



## MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

The financial statements of The George Brown College of Applied Arts and Technology (the "College") are the responsibility of management and have been approved by the Board of Governors.

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards for government not-for-profit organizations, including the 4200 series of standards, as issued by the Public Sector Accounting Board ("PSAB for Government NPOs"). When alternative accounting methods exist, management has chosen those it deems most appropriate in the circumstances. Financial statements are not precise since they include certain amounts based on estimates and judgements. Management has determined such amounts on a reasonable basis in order to ensure that the financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects.

The College maintains systems of internal accounting and administrative controls of high quality, consistent with reasonable cost. Such systems are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is relevant, reliable and accurate and that the College's assets are appropriately accounted for and adequately safeguarded.

The College's liabilities have been reviewed by management. There are no material liabilities in either fact or contingency as at the date of this report that have been omitted from these financial statements.

The Board of Governors is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements. The Board carries out this responsibility principally through its Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee is appointed by the Board of Governors and meets regularly with management, as well as the external auditors, to discuss internal controls over the financial reporting process, auditing matters and financial reporting issues, to satisfy itself that each party is properly discharging its responsibilities, and to review the financial statements and the external auditor's report. The Committee reports its findings to the Board for consideration when approving the financial statements. The Committee also considers, for review and approval by the Board, the engagement or re-appointment of the external auditors.

The financial statements have been audited by BDO Canada LLP, the external auditors, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. BDO Canada LLP has full and free access to the Audit Committee.



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### To the Board of Governors of The George Brown College of Applied Arts and Technology

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The George Brown College of Applied Arts and Technology (the "College"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2023, and the statements of operations, changes in net assets, cash flows and remeasurement gains and losses for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the College as at March 31, 2023, and the results of its operations, its cash flows, and its remeasurement gains and losses for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the College in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the College's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the College or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the College's financial reporting process.

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## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the College's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the College to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

BDO Canada LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants  
Oakville, Ontario  
June 7, 2023

THE GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

(expressed in thousands of dollars)

Assets Current	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022 (Restated) (Note 2)
Cash (Note 3)	\$24,213	\$199,406
Short-term investments (Notes 3 & 4 (a))	219,586	29,381
Grants receivable	6,863	3,219
Accounts receivable	40,358	26,210
Inventories	986	1,193
Prepaid expenses	7,719	4,242
	299,725	265,607
Deposits	542	542
Investment in GBSP Centre Corp. (Note 5)	5,492	5,493
Long-term investments (Notes 4 (b) & 16)	14,222	14,233
Capital assets (Note 6)	555,646	500,927
Capital assets held for sale (Note 6)	-	2,550
	\$875,627	\$789,352
Liabilities and Net Assets Current	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022 (Restated) (Note 2)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$115,883	\$99,381
Vacation payable	13,323	14,278
Current portion of long-term debt (Note 8)	1,957	1,870
Deferred revenue (Note 7 (a))	73,800	46,809
Deferred contributions - expenses of future periods (Note 11 (a))	21,055	19,275
	226,018	181,613
Liability for contaminated site (Note 6 & 15)	-	806
Post employment benefits and compensated absences (Note 9)	8,478	8,338
Long-term debt (Note 8)	58,512	60,471
Deferred revenue (Note 7 (b))	3,767	3,810
	70,757	73,425
Asset retirement obligations (Note 2 & 23)	6,332	6,036
Deferred contributions - capital assets (Note 11 (b))	237,313	237,144
	314,402	316,605
	540,420	498,218
Net Assets	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2022 (Restated) (Note 2)
Operating	20	(6,015)
Post employment benefits and compensated absences (Note 9)	(8,478)	(8,338)
Vacation pay	(13,323)	(14,278)
Unrestricted	(21,781)	(28,631)
Internally restricted (Note 12)	77,093	95,615
Investment in capital assets (Note 13)	266,545	211,349
Restricted for endowments (Note 16)	13,556	13,913
	335,413	292,246
Accumulated remeasurement losses	(206)	(1,112)
	335,207	291,134
	\$875,627	\$789,352

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

On behalf of the Board: Chair 

President 

THE GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY

**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**

(expressed in thousands of dollars)

For the year ended March 31

Revenue	2023	2022 (Restated) (Note 2)
Tuition and other student fees	\$225,976	\$203,961
Grants and reimbursements	146,506	141,093
Ancillary	17,289	20,235
Other (Note 6)	58,375	9,661
Amortization of deferred contributions related to capital assets	10,059	10,045
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>458,205</b>	<b>384,995</b>
Expenses	2023	2022 (Restated) (Note 2)
Salaries and benefits	249,516	238,254
Services	50,042	44,776
Rental, utilities and maintenance	35,151	28,795
Amortization of capital assets	24,675	24,660
Supplies and minor equipment	17,808	13,267
Other expenses	17,060	11,899
Ancillary (other than salaries and benefits)	14,499	11,402
Scholarships, bursaries and grants	5,930	6,410
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>414,681</b>	<b>379,463</b>
<b>Excess of revenue over expenses for the year</b>	<b>\$43,524</b>	<b>\$5,532</b>

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THE GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

(expressed in thousands of dollars)

March 31, 2023

Balance	Unrestricted	Internally Restricted	Investment in Capital Assets	Restricted for Endowments	Total
Balance, beginning of year	\$(28,631)	\$95,615	\$211,349	\$13,913	\$292,246
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	58,140	–	(14,616)	–	43,524
Capital assets additions financed by college funds	(69,812)	–	69,812	–	–
Restricted endowments (Note 16)	–	–	–	(357)	(357)
Internally imposed restrictions (Note 12)	18,522	(18,522)	–	–	–
Balance, end of year	\$(21,781)	\$77,093	\$266,545	\$13,556	\$335,413

March 31, 2022 (Restated - Note 2)

Balance	Unrestricted	Internally Restricted	Investment in Capital Assets	Restricted for Endowments	Total
Balance, beginning of year	\$(20,943)	\$101,004	\$198,005	\$13,177	\$291,243
Adoption of asset retirement obligation (Note 2)	(5,754)	–	489	–	(5,265)
Balance, beginning of year restated	(26,697)	101,004	198,494	13,177	285,978
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	20,429	–	(14,597)	–	5,832
Adoption of asset retirement obligation (Note 2)	(282)	–	(18)	–	(300)
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses as restated	20,147	–	(14,615)	–	5,532
Capital assets additions financed by college funds	(27,470)	–	27,470	–	–
Restricted endowments (Note 16)	–	–	–	736	736
Internally imposed restrictions (Note 12)	5,389	(5,389)	–	–	–
Balance, end of year	\$(28,631)	\$95,615	\$211,349	\$13,913	\$292,246

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THE GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

(expressed in thousands of dollars)

For the year ended March 31

Cash provided by (used in)

<b>Operating Activities</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b> (Restated) (Note 2)
Excess of revenue over expenses for the year	\$43,524	\$5,532
Adjustments required to reconcile excess of revenue over expenses with net cash provided by operating activities.		
Amortization of capital assets	24,675	24,660
Accretion expense (Note 2)	296	282
Amortization of deferred contributions related to capital assets	(10,059)	(10,045)
Change in non-cash operating working capital (Note 18)	25,170	11,934
Accrual for post employment benefits and compensated absences	140	(163)
Gain on sale of buildings (Note 6)	(35,774)	–
Extinguishment of liability for contaminated site (Note 15)	(806)	–
Change in interest in GBSP (Note 5)	1	12
<b>Total Operating Activities</b>	<b>47,167</b>	<b>32,212</b>
<b>Investing Activities</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b> (Restated) (Note 2)
Net change in long-term investment	11	(591)
Repayment from George Brown College Foundation	–	270
Change in short-term investments - net	(190,205)	119,889
Change in long-term endowment investments - net assets	(357)	736
Change in accumulated remeasurement losses	906	(1,133)
Change in deposits	–	(256)
<b>Total Investing Activities</b>	<b>(189,645)</b>	<b>118,915</b>
<b>Financing Activity</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b> (Restated) (Note 2)
Repayment of long-term debt	(1,870)	(1,780)
<b>Capital Activities</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b> (Restated) (Note 2)
Deferred contributions received related to capital assets	10,228	10,229
Additions to capital assets	(76,847)	(41,358)
Net proceeds from sale of capital assets (Note 6)	35,774	–
<b>Total Capital Activities</b>	<b>(30,845)</b>	<b>(31,129)</b>
<b>Cash</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b> (Restated) (Note 2)
Increase (decrease) in cash during the year	(175,193)	118,218
Cash, beginning of year	199,406	81,188
Cash, end of year	\$24,213	\$199,406

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THE GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY  
**STATEMENT OF REMEASUREMENT GAINS AND LOSSES**  
(expressed in thousands of dollars)

For the year ended March 31

Gains and Loses	2023	2022
Accumulated remeasurement gains (losses), beginning of year	\$(1,112)	\$21
Unrealized gains (losses) attributable to: Unrestricted short-term investments	2,282	(1,355)
Realized gains (losses) on short-term investments: Unrestricted short-term investments	(1,376)	222
Net remeasurement gains (losses) for the year	906	(1,133)
Accumulated remeasurement (losses)—unrestricted short-term investments	\$ (206)	\$ (1,112)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(expressed in thousands of dollars)

The George Brown College of Applied Arts and Technology (the “College”), was established as a community college in 1967 under The Department of Education Act of the Province of Ontario. The College is dedicated to providing post-secondary and vocationally-oriented education. The College is a registered charity and is exempt from income taxes under the Income Tax Act. These financial statements do not reflect the assets, liabilities and the results of operations of The George Brown College Foundation (the “Foundation”) and various student organizations (Note 17).

### 1. Significant Accounting Policies

These financial statements are the representations of management and have been prepared in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards for government not-for-profit organizations, including the 4200 series of standards, as issued by Public Sector Accounting Board (“PSAB for Government NPOs”). The significant accounting policies are as follows:

#### A. Revenue Recognition:

The College follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions, which include donations and government grants.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Externally restricted contributions, other than endowment contributions, are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Contributions externally restricted for the purchase of capital assets are deferred and amortized into revenue on a straight-line basis, at a rate corresponding with the amortization rate for the related capital assets.

Endowment contributions are recognized as direct increases in endowment net assets.

Investment income (loss) consists of interest, dividends, income distributions from pooled funds, and realized and unrealized gains and losses. Interest, dividends, income distributions from pooled funds and realized gains and losses pertaining to unrestricted investments are recognized in the statement of operations. Unrealized changes in the fair value pertaining to unrestricted investments are recognized in the statement of remeasurement gains (losses).

Realized and unrealized gains and losses pertaining to restricted investments held for endowments are added to/removed from the net assets restricted for endowments. Interest and dividends pertaining to restricted investments are recorded as deferred contributions on the statement of financial position until the criterion attached to the restrictions has been met.

Tuition fees are recognized ratably over the term to which the tuition fee revenue applies to the extent that the related courses are provided to the student.

Ancillary revenue consists of bookstore revenue, daycare and student residence fees, and other revenue, which are recognized when the related services are provided or the related products are delivered.

## **B. Financial Instruments:**

The College classifies its financial instruments as either fair value or amortized cost. The College's accounting policy for each category is as follows:

### **(i) Fair value**

Financial instruments reported at fair value comprise equity instruments quoted in an active market as well as investments in pooled funds and any fixed-income investments where the investments are managed on a fair value basis and the fair value option is elected.

Investments reported at fair value are initially recognized at fair value and subsequently carried at fair value.

Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

Where a decline in fair value is known with sufficient precision, and there is no realistic prospect of recovery, the amount of the loss is removed from accumulated remeasurement gains and losses and recognized in the statement of operations.

### **(ii) Amortized cost**

Financial instruments reported at amortized cost include accounts receivable, grants receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and long-term debt. These instruments are initially recognized at fair value and subsequently carried at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method, less any impairment losses on financial assets.

Transaction costs related to financial instruments in the amortized cost category are added to the carrying value of the instrument.

Writedowns are recognized when the amount of a loss is known with sufficient precision, and there is no realistic prospect of recovery. Financial assets are then written down to net recoverable value with the writedown being recognized in the statement of operations.

## **C. Inventories:**

Inventories other than books are valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value with cost being determined on the first-in first-out basis. Books are valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value with cost being determined using the retail inventory method, which approximates average cost. Net realizable value is the estimated selling price less the estimated cost to make the sale.

## **D. Investment in GBSP Centre Corp.:**

The investment in the George Brown Soulepepper Centre Corp. ("GBSP Centre Corp.") joint venture is accounted for using the modified equity method. No adjustment is made for the basis of accounting of the joint venture being different than PSAB for Government NPOs.

#### **E. Capital Assets:**

- (i) Purchased capital assets are recorded at cost less accumulated amortization. Contributed capital assets are recorded at fair value at the date of contribution when fair value is reasonably determinable. Amortization is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which have been determined as follows:

Buildings and improvements	40 years
Building under capital lease	49 years
Leasehold improvements	10 to 13 years
Computer equipment	3 years
Other equipment	5 years

Construction in progress is unamortized until the construction is complete and the asset is in use.

- (ii) Assets under capital leases: The College leases a building on terms which transfer substantially all the benefits and risks of ownership to the College. This lease has been accounted for as a capital lease as though an asset had been purchased and a liability incurred.

#### **F. Vacation Pay:**

The College recognizes vacation pay as an expense on the accrual basis.

#### **G. Liability for Contaminated Site:**

A liability for the remediation of contamination sites is recognized in the financial statements when at the financial reporting date: a) an environmental standard exists; b) contamination exceeds the environmental standard; c) the College is directly responsible or accepts responsibility; d) it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up and; e) a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made.

#### **H. Retirement and post-employment benefits and compensated absences:**

The College provides defined retirement and post-employment benefits and compensated absences to certain employee groups. These benefits include pension, health and dental, vesting sick leave and non-vesting sick leave. The College has adopted the following policies with respect to accounting for these employee benefits:

- (i) The costs of post-employment future benefits are actuarially determined using management's best estimate of health care costs, disability recovery rates and discount rates. Adjustments to these costs arising from changes in estimates and experience gains and losses are amortized to income over the estimated average remaining service life of the employee groups on a straight-line basis.
- (ii) The costs of the multi-employer defined benefit pension are the employer's contributions due to the plan in the period.
- (iii) The cost of vesting and non-vesting sick leave benefits are actuarially determined using management's best estimate of salary escalation, employees' use of entitlement and discount rates. Adjustments to these costs arising from changes in actuarial assumptions and/or experience are recognized over the estimated average remaining service life of the employees.
- (iv) The discount rate used in the determination of the above-mentioned liabilities is equal to the College's internal rate of borrowing.

**I. Use of estimates:**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with PSAB for Government NPOs requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the year. Actual results could differ from these estimates. Areas of key estimation include determination of deferred revenue, allowance for doubtful accounts, capital asset amortization, amortization of deferred capital contributions, asset retirement obligations, contamination liability, and actuarial estimation of post-employment benefits and compensated absences liabilities.

**J. Asset retirement obligations:**

A liability for an asset retirement obligation is recognized when there is a legal obligation to incur retirement costs in relation to a tangible capital asset; the past transaction or event giving rise to the liability has occurred; it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up; and a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made. The liability is recorded at an amount that is the best estimate of the expenditure required to retire a tangible capital asset at the financial statement date. This liability is subsequently reviewed at each financial reporting date and adjusted for the passage of time and for any revisions to the timing, amount required to settle the obligation or the discount rate. Upon the initial measurement of an asset retirement obligation, a corresponding asset retirement cost is added to the carrying value of the related tangible capital asset if it is still in productive use. This cost is amortized over the useful life of the tangible capital asset. If the related tangible capital asset is unrecognized or no longer in productive use, the asset retirement costs are expensed.

**2. Change in Accounting Policy**

Effective April 1, 2022 the College adopted Public Sector Accounting Handbook Standard PS 3280 - Asset Retirement Obligations. As a result of the adoption, the presentation of the financial statements changed from the prior year. The standard provides comprehensive requirements for recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of asset retirement obligations. The change in accounting policy has been applied retroactively with restatement of prior period. The impact of adoption of this standard was as follows:

- (a) April 1, 2021: an increase of \$489 to capital assets, an increase of \$5,754 to asset retirement obligations, a \$5,754 decrease to net assets unrestricted opening and an increase of \$489 to invested in capital assets.
- (b) March 31, 2022: an increase of \$18 to accumulated amortization resulting in a capital assets balance of \$500,927 and an increase of \$282 to asset retirement obligations resulting in an ending balance of \$6,036. An increase of \$18 to amortization of capital assets expense and an increase of \$282 to accretion expense recorded in other expenses resulting in an excess of revenue over expenses of \$5,532.

### 3. Cash and Short-Term Investments

The College's cash and short-term investments include amounts available to be spent at the College's discretion and amounts restricted for specific purposes that are not available to be spent at the College's discretion. The amount available to be spent at the College's discretion is calculated as follows:

Cash and Short-Term Investments	2023	2022
Cash	\$ 24,213	\$ 199,406
Short-term investments (Note 4 (a))	219,586	29,381
Total cash and short-term investments	243,799	228,787
Less amounts related to:		
Endowments - externally restricted (Note 16)	154	154
Deferred contributions (Note 11(a))	21,055	19,275
Unspent deferred capital contributions (note 13(b))	8,681	7,357
Total	\$213,909	\$202,001

### 4. Investments

#### A. Short-term Investments:

Short-term Investments are comprised of the following:

Short-term Investments	2023	2022
Bonds	\$29,586	\$29,381
Guaranteed Investment Certificates (GICs)	190,000	–
Total	\$219,586	\$29,381

The redeemable bonds earn interest at rates ranging from 0.50% to 4.31% (2022 – 0.50% to 3.65%), and have maturities ranging from June 2024 to September 2027 (2022 – December 2022 to April 2027). The GICs, earn interest at rates ranging from 4.70% to 5.85% (2022 – nil%) and have maturities ranging from April 2023 to June 2024.

#### B. Long-term Investments:

The College's long-term investments are invested primarily in pooled funds, which are managed by four investment managers. All long-term investments are held for endowments:

Long-term Investments	2023	2022
Canadian cash equivalents	\$171	\$57
Fixed income	3,178	3,110
Canadian equity	3,204	3,332
US equity	3,996	4,213
Global equity	2,478	2,305
Alternatives	1,195	1,216
Total	\$ 14,222	\$ 14,233

Investments in pooled funds have been allocated among the asset classes based on the underlying investments held in the pooled funds.

## 5. Investment in GBSP Centre Corp.

Pursuant to a Joint Venture Agreement dated February 12, 2004, the College has a 50% interest in GBSP Centre Corp., a joint venture corporation providing facilities for performances as well as for education and instruction in theatre, dance, music and the related arts. The joint venture has a December 31 fiscal year end. The College's equity share of the joint venture from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 has been included in the financial statements as at March 31, 2023 using the modified equity method. The College's 50% interest in the joint venture is summarized below:

Investment in GBSP Centre Corp.	2023	2022
Current assets	\$857	\$492
Capital assets	4,629	4,726
Current liabilities	(694)	(302)
Deferred contributions	(4,808)	(4,932)
Net liabilities	\$(16)	\$(16)
Revenue	\$1,693	\$1,145
Expenses	(1,694)	(1,157)
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$(1)	\$(12)
Cash flows (used in) provided by operating activities	\$550	\$203
Cash flows (used in) provided by financing activities	(124)	6
Cash flows used in by investing activities	(59)	(25)
Net cash (outflow) inflow	\$367	\$184

The College's 50% equity share of the deficiency of revenue over expenses of GBSP Centre Corp. from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 has been included in other expenses.

During the year, the College paid rent of \$232 (2022 – \$357) and made contributions of \$813 (2022 – \$267) to the joint venture which were included in rental, utilities and maintenance, and services expenses, respectively.

The joint venture is a not-for-profit organization, and follows the recommendations of CPA Handbook Part III – Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations. As such, there are differences between the accounting policies of the College under PSAB for Government NPO's and the Joint Venture under Part III of the CPA Handbook. Under the modified equity approach, the College makes no adjustment to the amounts disclosed or recognized in its financial statements for these differences. For the year ended March 31, 2023, there were no accounting policy differences that would have resulted in an adjustment to amounts or disclosures in these financial statements.

## 6. Capital Assets

Capital Assets	2023 Cost	2023 Accumulated Amortization	2022 Cost (Restated) (Note 2)	2022 Accumulated Amortization (Restated) (Note 2)
Land	\$21,459	\$–	\$21,459	\$–
Buildings and improvements	622,484	219,486	611,598	204,035
Building under capital lease (Note 10)	10,110	4,328	10,110	4,122
Construction in progress	98,972	–	43,218	–
Leasehold improvements	14,015	8,277	12,881	7,474
Computer equipment	74,535	68,581	70,603	64,303
Other equipment	113,369	98,626	105,053	94,061
	\$954,944	\$399,298	\$874,922	\$373,995
Net book value	–	\$555,646	–	\$500,927

Title to land, buildings, furniture and equipment and other capital assets occupied and used by predecessor institutions was transferred to the College at nominal value. If these assets are not used by the College for educational purposes, the Province of Ontario has the right to repurchase the assets at the nominal value.

In fiscal 2017, the College started a tall wood building project The Limberlost Place Project to provide additional instructional space at its Waterfront Campus. As at March 31, 2023, the College has recognized construction in progress for pre-construction management services valued at \$88,029 (2022 – \$32,176). The project is anticipated to be completed in fiscal year 2025.

The buildings located at 500 MacPherson Avenue, Toronto and 555 Davenport Road, Toronto were classified as held for sale.

Capital Assets	2023 Cost	2023 Accumulated Amortization	2022 Cost	2022 Accumulated Amortization
500 MacPherson Avenue, Toronto	\$–	\$–	\$1,612	\$1,069
555 Davenport Road, Toronto	–	–	4,809	2,802
	\$–	\$–	\$6,421	\$3,871
Net book value	\$–	\$–	\$–	\$2,550

On June 29, 2022, the buildings located at 500 MacPherson Avenue, Toronto and 555 Davenport Road, Toronto were sold for total proceeds of \$36,000 resulting in a gain on disposition of \$35,774 after closing costs, which was recorded in other revenue on the statement of operations. Furthermore, as a result of the sale, the liability for contaminated site, which was associated with 555 Davenport Road, was extinguished as part of the gain on sale.

## 7. Deferred Revenue

### A. Current deferred revenue consists of:

Deferred Revenue	2023	2022
Tuition fees	\$67,373	\$42,373
Other	6,427	4,436
Total	\$73,800	\$46,809

### B. Long-Term deferred revenue:

On March 31, 2017, the College assigned its interest in a parking garage for total compensation of \$4,064. The amount is being recognized in the statement of operations over 99 years ending in 2109, which is consistent with the ground lease. The balance of deferred revenue as at March 31, 2023 of \$3,767 (2022 – \$3,810) has been classified as long-term.

## 8. Long-Term Debt

In 2017, the College received a \$40,000 loan from the Ontario Financing Authority (“OFA”) for the new student residence. The loan, referred to as OFA 2, is for a 25 year term, is unsecured, at an interest rate of 5.75% and is repayable in equal, semi-annual installments of \$1,518.

In 2019, the College received a \$30,000 loan from the OFA for the Daniel’s building. The loan, referred to as OFA 3, is for a 25 year term, is unsecured, at an interest rate of 3.77% and is repayable in equal monthly installments of \$155.

The future principal repayments are as follows:

Year	Student Residence OFA2	Daniel’s OFA3	Total
2024	1,079	878	1,957
2025	1,142	920	2,062
2026	1,209	955	2,164
2027	1,279	989	2,268
2028	1,354	1,027	2,381
Thereafter	28,235	21,402	49,637
	34,298	26,171	60,469
Less: current portion	1,079	878	1,957
	\$33,219	\$25,293	\$58,512

## 9. Post-Employment Benefits and Compensated Absences

The following tables outline the components of the College's post-employment benefits and compensated absences liabilities and the related expenses.

### Liability 2023

Liability	Post-employment benefits	Non-vesting sick leave	Vesting sick leave	Total liability
Accrued employee future benefits obligations	\$1,978	\$7,903	\$509	\$10,390
Value of plan assets	(473)	–	–	(473)
Unamortized actuarial gains (losses)	56	(1,457)	(38)	(1,439)
Total liability	\$1,561	\$6,446	\$471	\$8,478

### Liability 2022

Liability	Post-employment benefits	Non-vesting sick leave	Vesting sick leave	Total liability
Accrued employee future benefits obligations	\$1,814	\$7,319	\$415	\$9,548
Value of plan assets	(487)	–	–	(487)
Unamortized actuarial gains (losses)	79	(766)	(36)	(723)
Total liability	\$1,406	\$6,553	\$379	\$8,338

### Expense 2023

Expense	Post-employment benefits	Non-vesting sick leave	Vesting sick leave	Total liability
Current year benefit cost	\$187	\$485	\$18	\$690
Interest on accrued benefit obligation	4	214	10	228
Amortized actuarial (gains) losses	(26)	69	186	229
Total expense	\$165	\$768	\$214	\$1,147

### Expense 2022

Expense	Post-employment benefits	Non-vesting sick leave	Vesting sick leave	Total liability
Current year benefit cost (recovery)	\$(157)	\$659	\$18	\$520
Interest on accrued benefit obligation	3	143	8	154
Amortized actuarial (gains) losses	(21)	197	13	189
Total expense (recovery)	\$(175)	\$999	\$39	\$863

Post-employment benefits and compensated absences expense has been included in salaries and benefits expenses.

Above amounts exclude pension contributions to the Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology pension plan, a multi-employer plan, described below.

## **Retirement Benefits**

### ***CAAT Pension Plan***

All full-time employees of the College, and any part-time employees who opt to participate, are members of the Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology Pension Plan (the "Plan"), a multi-employer jointly-sponsored defined benefit plan for public colleges in Ontario and other employers. The College makes contributions to the Plan equal to those of employees. Contribution rates are set by the Plan's governors to ensure the long-term viability of the Plan. Since the Plan is a multi-employer plan, the College's contributions are accounted for as if the plan were a defined contribution plan with the College's contributions being expensed in the period they come due.

Any pension surplus or deficit is a joint responsibility of the members and employers and may affect future contribution rates related to full-time members. The College does not recognize any share of the Plan's pension surplus or deficit as insufficient information is available to identify the College's share of the underlying pension assets and liabilities. The most recent actuarial valuation filed with pension regulators as at January 1, 2023 indicated an actuarial surplus of \$4,713,000 (2022 – \$4,369,000). The College made contributions to the Plan and its associated retirement compensation arrangement of \$18,771 (2022 – \$18,669) which has been included in salaries and benefits in the statement of operations.

## **Post-Employment benefits**

The College extends post employment life insurance, health and dental benefits to certain employee groups subsequent to their retirement. The College recognizes these benefits as they are earned during the employees' tenure of service. The College also provides continuation of medical and dental benefits to certain employee groups while receiving long-term disability benefits. The related benefit liability was determined by an actuarial valuation study commissioned by the College Employer Council.

The major actuarial assumptions employed for the valuation are as follows:

(a) Discount rate

The present value of employee future benefits as at March 31, 2023 was determined using a discount rate of 3.4% (2022 – 2.9%), while the 2023 period expense was calculated using a discount rate of 2.9% (2022 – 1.7%).

(b) Medical premiums

Medical premium increases were assumed to increase at 6.2% per annum in 2023 (2022 – 6.3%) and decrease proportionately thereafter to an ultimate rate of 4.0% in 2040.

(c) Dental costs

Dental costs were assumed to increase at 4.0% per annum (2022 – 4.0%).

## Compensated absences

### Vesting Sick Leave

The College has provided for vesting sick leave benefits during the year. Eligible employees, after 10 years of service, are entitled to receive 50% of their accumulated sick leave credit on termination or retirement to a maximum of 6 months' salary. The program to accumulate sick leave credits ceased for employees hired after March 31, 1991. The related benefit liability was determined by an actuarial valuation study commissioned by the College Employer Council

### Non-Vesting Sick Leave

The College allocates to certain employee groups a specified number of days each year for use as paid absences in the event of illness or injury. These days do not vest and are available immediately. Employees are permitted to accumulate their unused allocation each year, up to the allowable maximum provided in their employment agreements. Accumulated days may be used in future years to the extent that the employees' illness or injury exceeds the current year's allocation of days. Sick days are paid out at the salary in effect at the time of usage. The related benefit liability was determined by an actuarial valuation study commissioned by the College Employer Council.

The assumptions used in the valuation of vesting and non-vesting sick leaves are the College's best estimates of expected rates of:

Vesting and Non-Vesting Sick Leaves	2023	2022
Wage and salary escalation: Academic	1.00%	1.00%
Wage and salary escalation: Support	1.00% - 1.25%	1.25% - 2.0%
Discount rate used to calculate: Present value of future benefits	3.40%	2.90%
Discount rate used to calculate: 2022 period expense	2.90%	1.70%

The probability that the employee will use more sick days than the annual accrual and the excess number of sick days used are within ranges of 0% to 26.2% (2022 — 0% to 26.2%) and 0 to 51 days (2022 — 0 to 51 days) respectively for age groups ranging from 20 and under to 65 and over in bands of 5 years.

## 10. Obligations Under Leases

The College is committed to lease payments for its leased premises under various operating leases, until 2109. Future minimum annual lease payments are as follows:

Year	Amount
2024	5,657
2025	3,874
2026	2,670
2027	2,675
2028	2,572
and thereafter	6,477
Total	\$23,925

Effective December 16, 2010, the College entered into a 100 year land lease agreement with the City of Toronto in connection with constructing a new Centre for the Health Sciences. This agreement which expires in 2109 has an initial rental period of 23 years at which point the rent will be reset based on the then fair market value of the land, its unimproved value and its intended educational use and tied to the CPI. The rental commitment for the initial 23 years has been included in the operating lease commitment schedule above.

Effective December 21, 2003, the College entered into a lease agreement in connection with its joint venture (Note 5) to lease certain facilities for an initial term of twenty (20) years, with an option to extend the lease for five (5) successive terms of twenty years each. Annual lease payments under this agreement are \$155 per annum for “grade level facilities” and \$2 per square foot for “above grade premises”. Rent escalation is tied to CPI and is provided for during the period September 1, 2014 to February 29, 2024. The above lease agreement is superseded by an annual licensing agreement which commits the College to estimated annual payments of \$260 for the use of the facilities. In the event of the cancellation of the licensing agreement, the lease agreement becomes enforceable. In February 2023, GBSP submitted a written notice to the landlord expressing the intention to renew the lease for the second successive term of 20 years effective February 2024.

Effective July 30, 2001, the College entered into an agreement, as part of the Ontario Government Superbuild Program, with Toronto Metropolitan University to lease additional premises at the Sally Horsfall Eaton Centre for a term of forty-nine years, with related total capital lease payments over the lease period estimated at \$9,966. The premises are disclosed as “Building under capital lease” in Note 6. These capital lease payments were paid as at March 31, 2003, from Superbuild funding, fundraising and College funds. As a result, there is no related obligation under capital lease related to this facility.

## 11. Deferred Contributions

### (a) Expenses of future periods:

Deferred contributions related to expenses of future periods represent unspent restricted grants and donations for bursary and other purposes.

Expenses of Future Periods	2023	2022
Balance, beginning of year	\$19,275	\$20,458
Contributions received	23,848	23,720
Less: amount recognized as revenue	(22,068)	(24,903)
Balance, end of year	\$21,055	\$19,275

### (b) Capital assets:

Deferred capital contributions related to capital assets represent the unamortized amount of grants and other contributions received for the purchase of capital assets. The amortization of deferred capital contributions is recorded as revenue in the statement of operations.

Capital Assets	2023	2021
Balance, beginning of year	\$237,144	\$236,960
Contributions received	10,228	10,229
Less: amount amortized to revenue	(10,059)	(10,045)
Balance, end of year	\$237,313	\$237,144

The balance of unamortized capital contributions related to capital assets consists of the following:

Unamortized Capital Contributions Related to Capital Assets	2023	2022
Unamortized capital contributions used: to purchase capital assets	\$222,849	\$223,804
Unamortized capital contributions used: to finance building under capital lease	5,783	5,983
Amounts financed by deferred capital contributions (Note 13(a))	228,632	229,787
Unspent contributions	8,681	7,357
	\$237,313	\$237,144

## 12. Internally Imposed Restrictions

The Board of Governors, effective March 31, 2023, approved the transfer of \$18,522 from internally restricted net assets to unrestricted net assets, (2022 - \$5,389 from internally restricted net assets to unrestricted net assets) and the following allocations:

Internally Imposed Restrictions	2023	2022
General contingency	\$18,000	\$18,000
Committed capital projects	59,093	77,615
	\$77,093	\$95,615

## 13. Investment in Capital Assets

(a) Investment in capital assets is calculated as follows:

Investment in Capital Assets	2023	2022 (Restated) (Note 2)
Capital assets	\$555,646	\$500,927
Capital assets held for sale	–	2,550
Amounts financed by deferred capital contributions (Note 11(b))	(228,632)	(229,787)
Financed by long-term debt	(60,469)	(62,341)
	\$266,545	\$211,349

(b) Change in net assets invested in capital assets is calculated as follows:

Net Assets Invested in Capital Assets	2023	2022 (Restated) (Note 2)
Deficiency of revenue over expenses:		
Amortization of deferred contributions related to capital assets	\$10,059	\$10,044
Less: amortization of capital assets	(24,675)	(24,660)
	\$(14,616)	\$(14,616)
Purchase of capital assets	\$76,847	\$41,358
Adoption of asset retirement obligation (Note 2)	–	489
Amounts funded by: Deferred contributions	(8,905)	(15,668)
Amounts funded by: Repayment of long-term debt	1,870	1,780
	69,812	27,959
	55,196	13,343

## 14. Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

### A. Litigation:

The College has been named as a defendant in several litigations alleging actual and punitive damages. The College has made a provision management believes will be sufficient based on the amount of the claims, however management is not able to determine the final outcome of these claims. Settlement, if any, will be accounted for during the period of resolution.

### B. Purchase commitments:

In 2018, the College signed an agreement with an architect firm to provide professional services to support the construction of a new College building (Limberlost) for the total cost of \$16,916 (2022 – \$10,678). As of March 31, 2023, the College has made payments totaling \$15,171 including HST (2022 – \$9,309) based on a percentage of completion method. The outstanding commitment as of March 31, 2023 is \$1,745 (2022 – \$1,369).

In 2021, the College signed an agreement with PCL Construction Canada Inc. to perform construction of the Limberlost building for the total cost of \$172,657 including HST. As at March 31, 2023, the College has made payments totaling \$58,970 based on a percentage of completion method. The outstanding commitment as of March 31, 2023, is \$113,687.

### C. Contingent liability:

Effective June 2019, the Province of Ontario enacted Bill 124 “Protecting a Sustainable Public Sector for Future Generations Act, 2019”. This legislation limited compensation increases to 1.0% per year for a three-year moderation period for both unionized and non-unionized employees in the Ontario public sector. The starting dates of the moderation period varied across entities and employee groups. On November 29, 2022, the Ontario Superior Court of Justice struck down Bill 124, finding it unconstitutional and declaring it to be “void and of no effect”. On December 29, 2022, the Ontario government filed a Notice of Appeal with the Ontario Court of Appeal. The impact, if any, to the organization as a result of the Ontario Superior Court decision is not determinable at this time. As such, no provision has been made in the financial statements.

## 15. Liability for Contaminated Site

The College previously recognized a liability of \$806 for remediation of a contaminated site. The liability resulted from petroleum impacts in soil and ground water in the vicinity of a basement boiler room. The estimate of the liability was determined by a third party based on the fair value of the cost of the remediation work required. During the year, the contaminated site was sold and the liability was extinguished (Note 6).

## 16. Net Assets Restricted for Endowments

Net assets restricted for endowments consist of monies provided by the Government of Ontario from the Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund ("OSOTF") and the Ontario Trust for Student Support ("OTSS") matching programs to award student aid together with an equal amount of endowed donations.

Effective April 1, 2022, the College has adopted a capital preservation policy. This policy has the objective of protecting the real value of the endowments by limiting the amount of interest, dividends and distributions from pooled funds made available for spending to 3.5% of the opening market value of the investments held for endowment net assets. In any particular year, any excess is recorded as deferred contributions. Any shortfall is covered to the extent that accumulated excess amounts are available in deferred contributions.

## 17. Related Party Transactions

### A. The George Brown College Foundation

The Foundation, an organization which the College has an economic interest, is incorporated under the Ontario Corporation Act and is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act. Its purpose is to raise and administer fund for the benefit of the College, as well as for charitable purposes, including the advancement of education, within Canada.

Total net assets of the Foundation as at March 31, 2023 were \$32,611 (2022 – \$30,443)

Foundation Net Assets	2023	2022
Restricted endowments	\$18,964	\$18,401
Restricted capital projects	8,042	7,127
Restricted scholarships and other projects	4,560	4,195
Unrestricted	1,045	720
Total net assets of the Foundation	\$32,611	\$30,443

The College and the Foundation have entered into agreements that outline services to be provided between the College and the Foundation.

During the year, the College paid the Foundation \$2,118 (2022 – \$1,300) for services rendered by the Foundation to raise funds to support the College and to administer the College's long-term investments. The Foundation utilized office space owned by the College that is provided rent free, and the College provided certain administrative services to the Foundation without charges.

During the year, the Foundation provided \$4,924 (2022 – \$4,780) directly to the College, comprising of \$476 for various projects, \$3,100 for capital initiatives and \$1,348, for student scholarships and awards (2022 – \$2,668, \$840, and \$1,272 respectively).

### B. Student Association Centre

Pursuant to an agreement dated in 2001, the College leases a portion of its facilities to the student body for use as a student centre. The agreement is for a term of 49 years with nominal rental to be paid at \$1.00 per year.

## 18. Statement of Cash Flows

The net change in non-cash working capital balances related to operations presented on the Statement of Cash Flows consists of the following:

Cash Flows	2023	2022
Grants receivable	\$ (3,644)	\$ (1,648)
Accounts receivable	(12,192)	(2,227)
Inventories	207	89
Prepaid expenses	(3,476)	(1,202)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	16,502	14,477
Vacation payable	(955)	1,816
Deferred revenue	26,948	1,812
Deferred contributions - expenses of future periods	1,780	(1,183)
Total cash flows	\$25,170	\$11,934

## 19. Guarantees

In the normal course of business, the College enters into agreements that meet the definition of a guarantee.

- a) The College has provided indemnities under lease agreements for the use of various operating facilities and license agreements. Under the terms of these agreements, the College agrees to indemnify the counterparties for various items including, but not limited to, all liabilities, losses, suits, and damages arising during, on or after the terms of the agreements. The amount of any potential future payment cannot be reasonably estimated.
- b) Indemnity has been provided to all directors and or officers of the College for various items including, but not limited to, all costs to settle suits or actions due to association with the College, subject to certain restrictions. The College has purchased directors' and officers' liability insurance to mitigate the cost of any potential future suits or actions. The term of the indemnification is not explicitly defined, but is limited to the period over which the indemnified party served as a trustee, director or officer of the College. The amount of any potential future payment cannot be reasonably estimated.

In the normal course of business, the College has entered into agreements that include indemnities in favour of third parties, such as student work placement agreements. These indemnification agreements may require the College to compensate counterparties for losses incurred by the counterparties as a result of breaches in representation and regulations or as a result of litigation claims or statutory sanctions that may be suffered by the counterparty as a consequence of the transaction. The terms of these indemnities are not explicitly defined and the amount of any potential reimbursement cannot be reasonably estimated.

The nature of these indemnification agreements prevents the College from making a reasonable estimate of the maximum exposure due to the difficulties in assessing the amount of liability which stems from the unpredictability of future events and the unlimited coverage offered to counterparties.

Historically, the College has not made any significant payments under such or similar indemnification agreements and therefore no amount has been recorded in the statement of financial position with respect to these agreements.

## 20. City of Toronto Daycare Subsidies

During the fiscal year ended March 31, 2023, the College received wage subsidies totaling \$1,864 (2022 – \$1,864), Special Needs grants totaling \$232 (2022 – \$207), Special Needs One-on-One grants totaling \$43 (2022 – \$55), and Safe Restart Funding \$nil (2022 – \$4,297), Electronic Devices grants totaling \$39 (2022 – \$nil), CWELCC Affordability funding totaling \$3,428 (2022 – \$nil), and CWELCC Implementation grants totaling \$200 (2022 – \$nil) from the City of Toronto.

## 21. Financial Instrument Classification

The following table provides cost and fair value information of financial instruments by category.

Financial Instruments	2023 Fair Value	2023 Amortized Cost	2023 Total
Cash	\$24,213	\$–	\$24,213
Short-term investments (Note 4 (a))	219,586	–	219,586
Long-term investments (Note 4 (b))	14,222	–	14,222
Grants receivable	–	6,863	6,863
Accounts receivable	–	40,358	40,358
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	–	115,885	115,885
Long-term debt	–	58,512	58,512

The following table provides an analysis of financial instruments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value, grouped into Levels 1 to 3 based on the degree to which the fair value is observable:

**Level 1** fair value measurements are those derived from quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities using the last bid price;

**Level 2** fair value measurements are those derived from inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and

**Level 3** fair value measurements are those derived from valuation techniques that include inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

2023 Financial Instruments	Level 1	Level2	Level 3	Total
Cash	\$ 24,213	\$–	\$–	\$–
Short-term investments (Note 4 (a))	–	219,586	–	–
Long-term investments (Note 4 (b))	–	14,222	–	–
	\$24,213	\$233,808	\$–	\$–

During 2023, \$190,000 of cash was converted to GICs and was transferred from Level 1 to Level 2. There were no transfers in or out of Level 3.

## 22. Financial Instrument Risk Management

### Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the College if a debtor fails to make payments of interest and principal when due. The College is exposed to this risk relating to its cash, investments, grants receivable, and accounts receivable.

The College holds its cash accounts with a highly rated federally regulated chartered bank.

The College's investment policy for excess operating funds invested in short-term investments operates within the constraints of the investment guidelines issued by the Ministry of Colleges and Universities ("MCU") and puts limits on the bond portfolio including portfolio composition limits, issuer type limits, bond quality limits, aggregate issuer limits, corporate sector limits and general guidelines for geographic exposure. The Investment policy for the long-term investment held for endowments set out investment criteria that limit investments to entities with acceptable credit ratings.

Accounts receivable is primarily due from students, government, and corporations. Credit risk is mitigated by the highly diversified nature of the student population and other customers. Government receivables are mitigated by the governmental nature of the funding source.

The College measures its exposure to credit risk based on how long the amounts have been outstanding. An impairment allowance is set up based on the College's historical experience regarding collections.

The amounts outstanding at year end were as follows:

Amounts Outstanding 2023	Total	Current	31–60 days	61–90 days	91–120 days	Over 121 days
Government receivables	\$6,863	\$6,863	\$–	\$–	\$–	\$–
Student receivables	30,523	8,720	662	4,423	5,502	11,216
Other receivables	18,491	17,434	258	455	41	303
Gross receivables	55,877	33,017	920	4,878	5,543	11,519
Less: impairment allowance	(8,656)	–	–	(866)	(1,731)	(6,059)
Net receivables	\$47,221	\$33,017	\$920	\$4,012	\$3,812	\$5,460

Amounts Outstanding 2022	Total	Current	31–60 days	61–90 days	91–120 days	Over 121 days
Government receivables	\$3,219	\$3,219	\$–	\$–	\$–	\$–
Student receivables	22,806	8,037	539	2,634	3,091	8,505
Other receivables	11,739	10,489	128	139	22	961
Gross receivables	37,764	21,745	667	2,773	3,113	9,466
Less: impairment allowance	(6,379)	–	–	(638)	(1,276)	(4,465)
Net receivables	\$ 31,385	\$ 21,745	\$667	\$2,135	\$1,837	\$ 5,001

### Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of market factors. Market factors include three types of risk: currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk.

## Currency Risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flow of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The College's endowment investments include non-Canadian equities, the value of which fluctuates in part due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The US and global equity funds are denominated in currencies other than Canadian dollars and are therefore directly exposed to currency risk as the value of these investments denominated in other currencies will fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates.

## Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the potential for financial loss caused by fluctuations in fair value or future cash flows of financial instruments because of changes in market interest rates. The College is exposed to interest rate risk with respect to its interest-bearing investments and long-term debt.

At March 31, 2023, a 1% fluctuation in interest rates, with all other variables held constant, would have an estimated impact on the fair value of bonds of \$1,249 (2022 – \$1,009).

A change in the interest rate on the College's long-term debt would have no impact on the financial statements since all the debt is measured at amortized cost and has a fixed rate of interest.

## Other Price Risk

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from currency risk), whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or factors affecting all similar financial instrument traded in the market. The College is exposed to other price risk through its pooled funds that hold equity securities. To manage this risk, the pooled funds in which the College is invested have investment criteria that result in a diversified portfolio across industries and countries. At March 31, 2023, a 10% movement in the stock markets, with all other variables held constant, would have an estimated effect on the fair values of the Colleges equities of \$1,422 (2022 – \$1,423).

## Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the College will not be able to meet all cash outflow obligations as they come due. The College mitigates this risk by monitoring cash activities and expected outflows through extensive budgeting and maintaining investments that may be converted to cash in the near-term if unexpected cash outflows arise. The following table sets out the expected maturities, representing undiscounted cash-flows of financial liabilities.

2023 Undiscounted Cash-Flows	Within 1 year	1–5 years	Over 5 years
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$115,883	\$–	\$–
Long-term debt	1,957	8,875	49,637
Liability for contaminated site	–	–	6,332
	\$117,840	\$8,875	\$55,969

2023 Maturity profile of bonds held is as follows:

2023 Maturity Profile of Bonds	Within 1 year	1–5 years	Over 5 years	Total
Carrying value of: Bonds	\$2,006	\$27,580	\$–	\$29,586
Carrying value of: GIC	160,000	30,000	–	190,000
	\$162,006	\$57,580	\$–	\$219,586
Percentage of total	74%	26%	–	100%

### 23. Asset Retirement Obligations

The College's financial statements include asset retirement obligations for designated substances with confirmed/presumed presence in the buildings owned/leased by the College, where it has been determined that the College is liable for remediation of designated substances. The related asset retirement costs are being amortized on a straight line basis. The liability has been estimated using a net present value technique with a discount rate of 4.90%. The estimated total undiscounted future expenditures are \$12,146, which are to be incurred over the remaining useful life of the assets. The liability is expected to be settled at some undeterminable future date.

The carrying amount of the liability is as follows:

Amount of the Liability	2023	2022
Balance, beginning of the year	\$6,036	\$5,754
Increase due to accretion expense	296	282
	\$6,332	\$6,036

Appendix B: The George Brown College Foundation Audited  
Financial Statements

**FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS**  
OF THE GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE FOUNDATION  
For the Year Ended March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023



## Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors of  
The George Brown College Foundation

### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The George Brown College Foundation (the "Foundation"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2023, and the statements of operations and changes in net assets, and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies (collectively referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Foundation as at March 31, 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations ("ASNPOs").

### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards ("Canadian GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Foundation in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Foundation or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Foundation's financial reporting process.

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian GAAS, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Foundation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

*Deloitte LLP*

Chartered Professional Accountants  
Licensed Public Accountants  
June 22, 2023

**The George Brown College Foundation**  
**Statement of financial position**

As at March 31, 2023

Notes	Endowment Fund \$	Restricted Donations/ Scholarships Fund \$	Program Fund \$	2023 Total \$	2022 Total \$
<b>Assets</b>					
Current assets					
Cash	100,568	463,314	673,785	1,237,667	7,913,289
Accounts receivable	—	—	76,118	76,118	67,869
Due from related party	—	—	65,117	65,117	—
Investment income (loss)	—	—	44,354	44,354	11,235
Short-term investments	—	12,172,319	406,997	12,579,316	4,031,877
Long-term investments	18,863,075	—	—	18,863,075	18,527,863
Capital assets	—	—	—	—	3,358
Artwork	—	—	16,100	16,100	16,100
	<b>18,963,643</b>	<b>12,635,633</b>	<b>1,282,471</b>	<b>32,881,747</b>	<b>30,571,591</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	—	33,562	47,869	81,431	125,510
Due to related party	—	—	1,625	1,625	7,549
Deferred Revenue	—	—	164,642	164,642	—
	—	<b>33,562</b>	<b>214,136</b>	<b>247,698</b>	<b>133,059</b>
<b>Net assets</b>					
Externally restricted	18,775,748	12,602,071	—	31,377,819	29,531,162
Internally restricted	187,895	—	—	187,895	192,302
Unrestricted	—	—	1,068,335	1,068,335	715,068
	<b>18,963,643</b>	<b>12,602,071</b>	<b>1,068,335</b>	<b>32,634,049</b>	<b>30,438,532</b>
	<b>18,963,643</b>	<b>12,635,633</b>	<b>1,282,471</b>	<b>32,881,747</b>	<b>30,571,591</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Approved on behalf of the Board of Directors

Gervan Fearon, PhD. , Director

Gary Teelucksingh , Director

**The George Brown College Foundation**  
**Statement of operations and changes in net assets**  
Year ended March 31, 2023

	Notes	Endowment Fund \$	Restricted Donations/ Scholarship Fund \$	Program Fund \$	2023 Total \$	2022 Total \$
		(Note 5)	(Note 5)	(Note 5)		
<b>Revenue</b>						
Contributions	6	923,974	5,651,979	2,118,185	8,694,138	6,690,063
Government assistance		—	—	—	—	35,161
Investment income (loss)	4	(419,331)	854,758	16,580	452,007	810,279
		<b>504,643</b>	<b>6,506,737</b>	<b>2,134,765</b>	<b>9,146,145</b>	<b>7,535,503</b>
<b>Expenses</b>						
Donations and scholarships	6	—	4,923,703	—	4,923,703	4,780,410
Amortization of capital assets		—	—	2,199	2,199	5,077
Administration and fundraising		—	245,427	1,779,299	2,024,726	1,586,426
		—	<b>5,169,130</b>	<b>1,781,498</b>	<b>6,950,628</b>	<b>6,371,913</b>
Excess of revenue over expenses		<b>504,643</b>	<b>1,337,607</b>	<b>353,267</b>	<b>2,195,517</b>	1,163,590
Fund transfers	8	<b>58,375</b>	<b>(58,375)</b>	—	—	—
Net assets, beginning of year		<b>18,400,625</b>	<b>11,322,839</b>	<b>715,068</b>	<b>30,438,532</b>	29,274,942
<b>Net assets, end of year</b>		<b>18,963,643</b>	<b>12,602,071</b>	<b>1,068,335</b>	<b>32,634,049</b>	30,438,532

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

**The George Brown College Foundation**  
**Statement of cash flows**  
Year ended March 31, 2023

Notes	Endowment Fund \$	Restricted Donations/ Scholarship Fund \$	Program Fund \$	2023 Total \$	2022 Total \$
					(Note 13)
<b>Operating activities</b>					
Excess of revenue over expenses	504,643	1,337,607	353,267	2,195,517	1,163,590
Non operating items -					
Endowment contributions	(923,974)	—	—	(923,974)	(255,342)
Items not involving cash					
Realized gains (loss) and change in unrealized gains (loss)	419,331	—	985	420,316	(392,149)
Amortization of capital assets	—	—	2,199	2,199	5,077
Accrued investment income	—	(271,224)	(9,077)	(280,301)	(31,636)
Loss on disposal of capital assets	—	—	1,159	1,159	2,068
Change in non-cash operating working capital	—	686	7,468	8,154	(7,323)
	—	1,067,069	356,001	1,423,070	484,285
<b>Financing activities</b>					
Endowment contributions	923,974	—	—	923,974	255,342
Funds in trust	—	—	—	—	(269,867)
Interfund transfers	58,375	(58,375)	—	—	—
	982,349	(58,375)	—	923,974	(14,525)
<b>Investing activities</b>					
Short-term investments proceeds	—	4,031,877	—	4,031,877	3,570,000
Short-term investments purchase	—	(11,901,095)	(398,905)	(12,300,000)	(4,000,000)
Long-term investments (net)	(881,781)	127,238	—	(754,543)	(1,801,729)
	(881,781)	(7,741,980)	(398,905)	(9,022,666)	(2,231,729)
(Decrease) increase in cash	100,568	(6,733,286)	(42,904)	(6,675,622)	(1,761,969.00)
Cash, beginning of year	—	7,196,600	716,689	7,913,289	9,675,258
<b>Cash, end of year</b>	100,568	463,314	673,785	1,237,667	7,913,289

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

# The George Brown College Foundation

## Notes to the financial statements

March 31, 2023

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### Purpose and organization

The George Brown College Foundation (the "Foundation") is a not-for-profit organization incorporated without share capital under the Corporations Act (Ontario). The Foundation administers scholarships, bursaries, and student awards under the restrictions set out by the donors of the funds and raises funds for initiatives of The George Brown College of Applied Arts and Technology (the "College"), and other charitable organizations. The Foundation is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act (Canada) (the "Act"), and is exempt from income taxes. The Foundation must meet certain requirements under the Act. In the opinion of management, these requirements have been met.

### 1. Significant accounting policies

Management has prepared these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

#### (a) Use of estimates

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and net assets and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses and changes in net assets for the year. These estimates are reviewed periodically and, as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in the period in which they become known. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Items included in these financial statements that require estimates include investments with respect to valuation; capital assets with respect to useful life; and certain accrued liabilities.

#### (b) Fund accounting

The financial statements include the following funds:

- (i) The Endowment Fund reports non-expendable externally restricted donor and related Board-internally restricted contributions.
- (ii) The Restricted Donations/Scholarship Fund reports only donor-restricted resources that are used to provide bursaries, scholarships, student awards and other project initiatives as directed by their related agreements.
- (iii) The Program Fund accounts for the Foundation's operations and administrative activities.

#### (c) Revenue recognition

The Foundation follows the *restricted fund method* of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the appropriate Restricted Fund in the year received. Contributions for endowments are recorded as revenue in the Endowment Fund.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the Program Fund in the year received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Government assistance of \$35,161 was received during the year ended March 31, 2022 the form of the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) due to COVID-19. The assistance was available to organizations that experienced a decrease in revenue over a period of time compared to the prior period. All government assistance was recognized as revenue of the Program Fund. As of March 31, 2022, all terms and conditions for this government assistance program has been met.

For the year ended March 31, 2023; government assistance was not applicable.

**1. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

*(d) Investment income*

Investment income is accrued as it is earned. Investment income earned on externally restricted funds is a resource that must be spent on bursaries, scholarships, student awards and other project initiatives as defined by the donor and is recognized as revenue of the appropriate fund. Other investment income is recognized as revenue of the Program Fund when earned. Interest and dividend income earned on the endowment fund, net of investment management fees, is recognized in the Restricted Donations/Scholarship Fund. Realized and unrealized gains/losses on endowment investments are recognized in the Endowment Fund.

*(e) Contributed goods and services*

Contributed capital assets and services (other than volunteer fundraising activities) are recorded as revenue at fair market value as at the date of receipt, when fair market value is reasonably determinable.

*Contributed securities*

Gifts of publicly traded securities are recognized at their fair value based on the average published price on the date of receipt, when such information is available, or other estimated fair value as applicable.

*(f) Volunteer fundraising activities*

The work of the Foundation is dependent on the volunteer fundraising activities of many members. Because these services are not normally purchased by the Foundation and because of the difficulty in determining their fair value, donated services are not recognized in these financial statements.

*(g) Financial instruments*

The Foundation initially recognizes financial instruments at fair value and subsequently measures them at each reporting date as follows:

Asset/liability	Measurement
Cash	Fair value
Short-term investments	Fair value
Long-term investments	Fair value
Accounts receivable	Amortized cost
Due from related party	Amortized cost
Due to related party	Amortized cost
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	Amortized cost

Financial assets measured at amortized cost are assessed at each reporting date for indications of impairment. If such impairment exists, the asset is written down and the resulting impairment loss is recognized in the statement of operations and changes in net assets for the period.

The Foundation has elected to use the fair value option to measure all of its investments.

**1. Significant accounting policies (continued)**

*(h) Capital assets*

Capital assets consist of computer equipment and furniture and equipment and are recorded at cost. Amortization is recorded on the straight-line basis over 3 years for computer equipment and over 5 years for furniture and equipment.

*(i) Artwork*

Artwork consists of donated art which is recognized at fair market value as at the date of receipt.

**2. Investments**

*Short-term investments*

Short-term investments consist of guaranteed investment certificates with interest rates of 3.6% to 5.1% per annum and maturities between June 6, 2023 to February 24, 2024. These investments are held as at March 31 in respect of the following:

	<b>2023</b>	2022
	\$	\$
Short-term investments held for the Foundation restricted funds	<b>12,172,319</b>	4,031,877
Short-term investments held for the Foundation program funds	<b>406,997</b>	—
Short-term investments held for the Foundation total funds	<b>12,579,316</b>	4,031,877
Aggregate cost	<b>12,300,000</b>	4,000,000

## The George Brown College Foundation

### Notes to the financial statements

March 31, 2023

## 2. Investments (continued)

### Long-term investments

The Foundation's long-term investments are invested in pooled-mutual funds, managed by four investment managers.

The Foundation's long-term investments are invested as follows:

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Pooled funds		
Canadian cash equivalents	219,102	39,070
Canadian bond funds	5,791,418	5,550,809
Canadian equity funds	4,133,083	4,105,948
US and global equity funds	8,719,472	8,832,036
Aggregate fair value	<b>18,863,075</b>	18,527,863
Aggregate cost	<b>15,398,201</b>	14,146,496

## 3. Capital assets

	Cost	Accumulated amortization	2023 Net book value	2022 Net book value
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Computer equipment	105,536	105,536	—	3,358
Furniture and equipment	2,621	2,621	—	—
	<b>108,157</b>	<b>108,157</b>	—	3,358

## 4. Investment income

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Interest and dividends	1,020,953	606,668
Realized gains	497,162	127,358
(Decrease) increase in unrealized gains	(917,478)	264,791
Investment management fees	(148,630)	(188,538)
	<b>452,007</b>	810,279

## **5. Capital management**

The Foundation considers its net assets, which consist of externally and internally restricted funds and the unrestricted program fund, as its capital.

### *Externally and internally restricted funds*

#### *Endowment fund*

The Endowment Fund has been established to provide ongoing investment income to be used for bursaries, scholarships, student awards and other College initiatives as directed by the related endowment agreements. The Endowment Fund is comprised of externally and internally restricted funds. The Endowment Fund capital is managed in accordance with the Foundation's investment policies. The objectives of the investment policies are to invest the Endowment Fund capital with a long-term growth-oriented asset mix in order to maximize the rate of return within acceptable risk tolerances to enable growth in endowments, to ensure the preservation of the capital of the endowed funds of the Foundation over a long term focus, recovery of costs incurred to manage and administer the funds, generate sufficient annual net investment income and cash flow to support the Foundation's endowment objectives, as determined by the Foundation's Board from time to time.

Interest and dividends from this fund, net of investment management fees, are recorded as investment income in the Restricted Donations/Scholarship Fund when earned. Funds are disbursed from the Restricted Donations/Scholarship Fund, when required by the College for use in accordance with each respective endowment agreement or purpose.

#### *Restricted donations/Scholarship fund*

The Restricted Donations/Scholarship Fund has been established to provide capital for College initiatives, as well as bursaries, scholarships, and student awards as directed by the related agreements. The Restricted Donations/Scholarship Fund is managed in accordance with the Foundation's investment policy for restricted non-endowed funds. The objectives of this investment policy are as follows: to protect the principal to ensure that the required disbursements may be met; to maximize liquidity so that the funds will be available when required and to achieve the highest possible net yield after first giving consideration to the requirements of principal protection and liquidity needs.

Funds are disbursed from the Restricted Donations/Scholarship Fund, when required by the College for use in accordance with the related agreements or purpose. Management has determined that the restrictions and policies have been satisfactorily complied with for the year ended March 31, 2023 on a consistent basis with the preceding year.

### *Unrestricted funds*

#### *Program fund*

The Program Fund accounts for the Foundation's operations and administrative activities. In managing this capital, the Foundation focuses on resources available for operations. The Foundation's objective is to have sufficient resources to continue operations in accordance with its mission and to provide it with the flexibility to take advantage of opportunities. The need for sufficient resources is considered in the preparation of an annual budget, the monitoring of cash flows, the comparison of actual operating results to budget and ensuring adherence with the approved investment policy.

# The George Brown College Foundation

## Notes to the financial statements

March 31, 2023

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### 6. Related party transactions and balances

The College traditionally provides a contribution to the Foundation for services rendered by the Foundation to raise and administer funds in support of the College. A memorandum of understanding dated March 9, 2011 outlines the services provided between the College and the Foundation. During the year, the Foundation received contributions from the College of \$2,118,185 (\$1,300,000 in 2022).

During the year, the Foundation provided \$4,923,703 (\$4,780,410 in 2022) directly to the College, comprising of \$475,893 for various projects, \$3,100,000 for capital initiatives and \$1,347,810 for student scholarships and awards (\$2,668,150, \$840,000 and \$1,272,260 respectively in 2022).

The amount due from the College amounted to \$65,117 (nil in 2022)

The amount due to the College amounted to \$1,625 (\$7,549 in 2022). This amount is payable on demand and non-interest bearing.

In addition, the Foundation utilizes office space owned by the College. The space is provided to the foundation on a rent free basis.

### 7. Deferred Revenue

Deferred Revenue received during the year of \$164,642 (nil in 2022) represents amounts related to an event subsequent to the year end.

### 8. Fund transfers

Fund transfers consist of the following:

	<b>Endowment Fund</b>	<b>Restricted Donations/ Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Interfund transfers	<b>58,375</b>	<b>(58,375)</b>	<b>—</b>

During the year, interfund transfers of scholarship funds of \$58,375 (\$9,297 in 2022) were transferred from externally restricted Donations/Scholarship Fund to the Endowment Fund, in accordance with the related agreements.

### 9. Financial instruments and risk management

The Foundation's investment are exposed to a variety of financial risks. The Foundation seeks to minimize the potential adverse effects of these risks by regularly monitoring the investment's position, market events and the diversity of the investment portfolio within the constraints of the Foundation's Investment Policies.

Significant risks that are relevant to the Foundation's investments and other financial instruments are as follows:

#### *Financial risk management*

The Foundation is subject to market, currency and interest rate risks with respect to its long-term investments and interest rate risk with respect to its short-term investments.

## **9. Financial instruments and risk management (continued)**

### *Financial risk management (continued)*

#### *Market risk*

Market risk arises as a result of trading in equity securities and fixed income securities. Fluctuations in the market expose the Foundation to the risk of loss.

#### *Currency risk*

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. The Foundation's investments include US and global equity pooled funds whose underlying investments include non-Canadian equities, the value of which fluctuates in part due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The US and global equity pooled funds hold investments that are denominated in currencies other than Canadian dollars and are therefore exposed to currency risk as the value of these investments denominated in other currencies will fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates.

#### *Interest rate risk*

Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates will affect the value of fixed income securities held by the Foundation. The short-term interest-bearing investments held by the Foundation have a limited exposure to interest rate risk due to their short-term maturity.

#### *Credit risk*

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss. The Foundation is subject to credit risk with respect to its accounts receivable. The balance of accounts receivable on the statement of financial position represents the Foundation's maximum exposure at March 31.

#### *Liquidity risk*

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Foundation will encounter difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with its financial liabilities. The Foundation is exposed to this risk mainly in respect of its accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

To manage its market, currency and interest rate risks, the Foundation has established investment policies which include target mix of investment types and concentration limits designed to achieve the optimum return within reasonable risk tolerances. To manage its credit risk, the Foundation evaluates the credit worthiness of its counterparties.

#### *Financial liabilities*

At March 31, 2023, it is management's opinion that the Foundation is not in default of any terms of its financial liabilities.

## **10. Government remittances**

As at March 31, 2023, \$19,929 (\$19,902 in 2022) was payable to the Government of Canada with respect to payroll taxes.

## **11. Guarantees**

In the normal course of business, the Foundation enters into agreements that meet the definition of a guarantee.

Indemnity has been provided to all directors and/or officers of the Foundation for various items including, but not limited to, all costs to settle suits or actions due to association with the Foundation, subject to certain restrictions. The Foundation has purchased directors' and officers' liability insurance to mitigate the cost of any potential future suits or actions against the directors and/or officers of the Foundation. The term of the indemnification is not explicitly defined, but is limited to the period over which the indemnified party served as a trustee, director or officer of the Foundation. The maximum amount of any potential future payment cannot be reasonably estimated.

The nature of this indemnification agreement prevents the Foundation from making a reasonable estimate of the maximum exposure due to the difficulties in assessing the amount of liability which stems from the unpredictability of future events and the unlimited coverage offered to counterparties. Historically, the Foundation has not made any payments under such or similar indemnification agreements, and therefore no amount has been recorded in the financial statements with respect to these agreements.

## Appendix C: KPI Performance Report

George Brown College's performance in 2022:

- Graduate Satisfaction KPI<sup>2</sup>: 74.1%
- Graduate Employment KPI: 81%
- Employer Satisfaction KPI<sup>3</sup>: 83.3%
- Graduation Rate KPI: 68.2%

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2 **Graduate Satisfaction Survey:** Graduates are surveyed via email/phone six months after graduation. (Graduates, please be sure your contact information is up to date.)

3 **Employer Satisfaction Survey:** Employers are surveyed to provide feedback on how well the college has prepared the graduate they hired. Graduates must give permission for the employer satisfaction survey.



## Appendix D: Summary of Advertising and Marketing Complaints Received

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May 17, 2023

In accordance with the Ontario Ministry of Training Colleges & Universities Annual Report requirement, this letter confirms that during Fiscal Year 2022-2023, George Brown received no complaints about its advertising or marketing from any enrolled students or recent graduates.

Should you need to discuss this further please contact me at 416-415-5000, ext.2264.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Shan".

**Sumi Shan**

Associate Vice-President, Marketing and Communications, George Brown College

CC: Joe Cressy, SVP, SVP - External Relations, Communications and Real Estate Development

## Appendix E: List of Governors

### External Members

No.	Name	Appointment Date	Term Expiry
1	<b>Kevin Costante</b> (Chair) Retired Public Servant	Sept 2020	Aug 2023
2	<b>Bruce Choy</b> Managing Director, Research Global Risk Institute	Sept 2022	Aug 2025
3	<b>Nancy Prenevost</b> Head of Legal Affairs and Operational Compliance Oxford Properties Group	Sept 2022	Aug 2025
4	<b>Roger Grochmal</b> Retired CEO/Owner AtlasCare	Mar 2021	Aug 2023
5	<b>Saeideh Fard</b> Chief Financial Officer Introhive	Oct 2020	Aug 2023
6	<b>Omo Akintan</b> Chief People Officer University Pension Plan	Sept 2022	Aug 2025
7	<b>Adrienne Batra</b> Editor in Chief Toronto Sun	Jan 2021	Aug 2023
8	<b>Rob Gilmour</b> Vice President Crestview Strategy	Sept 2021	Aug 2024
9	<b>Arjun Jasuja</b> Founder and Chairman Sigma Group	Sept 2022	Aug 2025
10	<b>Marnie McDougall</b>	Aug 2022	Aug 2025
11	<b>Andrea Elliott</b> Executive Vice President, Direct to Consumer Moose Knuckles	Sept 2021	Aug 2024



## Internal Members

No.	Name	Appointment Date	Term Expiry
12	<b>Gervan Fearon</b> Ex Officio, President	–	–
13	<b>Kizzy Rodney</b> Associate Vice-President, External and Community Relations Administrative Staff Representative	Oct 2020	Aug 2023
14	<b>Jon Callegher</b> Professor, Centre for Business Faculty Representative	May 2022	Aug 2024
15	<b>Peter Koutsokeris</b> Coordinator Orientation & Transition Programs Support Staff Representative	Sept 2021	Aug 2024
16	<b>Shivam Singh</b> Student Representative	Sept 2022	Aug 2023

