

Three Priorities

Strategic Priority: Leveraging Our Location(s)

Lead President's Office, supported by Advisors to the President on Urban Engagement and Urban Issues

Description Taking better advantage of our location in one of the world's most vibrant, culturally diverse and economically dynamic regions, for the benefit of both the University and the residents of the Greater Toronto Area

Goals

- To improve the state of our host city-region
- To enhance the University's success in attracting and retaining talented faculty, staff and students
- To promote further success in research, teaching and learning by focusing on urban processes, dynamics and challenges such as poverty, housing, public health, innovation clusters, environmental and energy systems, transportation, political systems, design, planning, and more
- To enhance the University's standing and reputation as a city-building institution

Key Elements

- Urban research
- Urban teaching
- Local outreach and partnerships
- Strengthening the built environment

Milestones & Deliverables

- Appoint Presidential advisors on urban engagement and urban issues
- Catalogue urban research, teaching, outreach activities
- Convene faculty members with urban interests to consider ways to raise profile, enhance coherence of urban research, teaching, outreach
- Collaborate with Provost's Office and Centre for Community Partnerships to expand opportunities for experiential learning in local communities
- Expand outreach and partnerships with local municipalities, civic and neighbourhood organizations
- Strengthen relationships with residents' associations in adjacent neighbourhoods
- Ensure high standard of design for major capital projects