

Community life

Health Sciences campus

■ Kitchener-Waterloo

The twin cities of Kitchener-Waterloo, known locally simply as K-W, have large city amenities with a small town flavour. The area is steeped in Mennonite culture with one of the best farmers' markets in all of the province. A culturally diverse community, K-W has world-renowned educational and research institutes, a booming technology sector, lots of green space to balance its urban growth and a never-ending list of things to do.

■ Guelph

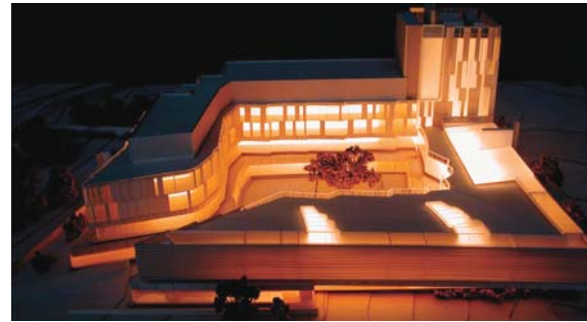
Also known as The Royal City, Guelph is a vibrant community with rich architectural heritage, a lively downtown, a thriving art scene, good shopping and a dynamic cultural core. With one of the world's premier research universities and a diverse variety of manufacturing, service, and high technology enterprises, Guelph is one of the fastest growing economic regions in Canada.

■ Cambridge

An amalgamation of Galt, Preston and Hespeler, Cambridge is a unique community with three downtown areas. It's a growing community where there's always something going on. Cambridge's 19th century architecture offers a beautiful backdrop for shopping, dining & colourful festivals. It offers factory outlets, antique shops, markets, a butterfly conservatory, and drive-through wildlife park.

■ Surrounding Rural Communities

A number of communities in the surrounding Waterloo-Wellington area provide clinical placements. These communities exemplify small town Ontario and welcome students with small town friendliness. Fergus is a quaint, historic town comfortably nestled on the banks of the Grand River. It's full of rich heritage, and charming Scottish atmosphere but at the same time, a bustling rural setting. Nearby Elora is well known for the spectacularly picturesque Elora Gorge on the Grand River. Mount Forest, Palmerston and Wellesley, famous for its Apple butter and Cheese Festival, are all in the heart of Mennonite country and allow students to fully experience small town medical practice at its best.



The new Michael G. DeGroot School of Medicine site in Kitchener will be part of the University of Waterloo's Health Sciences campus, shown in an artist's concept model from the architectural firm ROBBIE/YOUNG + WRIGHT ARCHITECTS HARIRI PONARINI ARCHITECTS.



River Run Centre, Guelph



Churchill Park, Cambridge



McMaster Students on a Buggy Ride