

FACT SHEET

Georgian Centre for Health and Wellness

- At 165,000 square feet, the Georgian Centre for Health and Wellness is the largest expansion project in Georgian College history.
- Phase 1 construction is beginning now at a cost of \$50 million. The total cost of Phase 1 and 2 will be \$65 million.
- Funding for Phase 1 of this project is being provided by the Government of Canada's Knowledge Infrastructure Program (\$20 million) and through the Ontario Government's 2009 Budget (\$20 million). Another \$10 million will be raised through donations to Georgian's Power of Education Campaign.
- The Centre will include community-accessible teaching health care clinics where members of the public, including students, can access health care. At the same time, Health Sciences students will gain valuable practical experience in on-site clinics.
- Teaching and learning in the classrooms, labs and clinics will support inter-professional education methods, allowing students from a variety of Health Sciences programs to work together on patient care. This reflects the new wave of health care in Ontario.
- Completion of all phases of the Centre will bring the total capacity to 3,000 additional students.
- The Centre will provide 400 new full- and part-time jobs for staff and faculty, bringing a \$16-million increase to Georgian's payroll.
- Economic impact of the construction alone is approximately \$98 million, equivalent to the effect of a mid-sized corporation moving to Barrie.