Waterloo calls on all creators, explorers and boundary-pushing thinkers to join us in delivering solutions to today’s and tomorrow’s challenges in six critical areas:

› **Human-machine interaction** – Examining the power of technology and its influence on our daily lives.

› **Next-generation computing** – Finding new ways to harness computing technologies to improve the world.

› **Social and economic prosperity** – Continually striving for fairness and harmony, so everyone can flourish.

› **Sustainable planet** – Combining knowledge to create a prosperous future for humanity and our planet.

› **Advancing health innovation** – Crossing disciplines for health solutions that enrich lives and advance life-saving care.

› **Transformational discoveries** – Making breakthrough discoveries through research that will power unknown futures.

uwaterloo.ca/global-impact
Founded in 1957 with engineering and co-operative education as cornerstones

42,500+ full and part-time students enrolled in undergraduate and graduate programs (Fall 2021)

#1 MOST INNOVATIVE UNIVERSITY (Maclean’s 2022)

4 CAMPUSES LOCATED IN:
- Cambridge
- Kitchener
- Stratford
- Waterloo (main campus)

6 FACULTIES
- Arts
- Engineering
- Environment
- Health
- Mathematics
- Science

1,350+ FULL-TIME FACULTY (2021)
EXPERIENCE-RICH EDUCATION

World-class scholarship deepens with work-integrated learning in the world’s leading co-operative education program.

8,450+ active co-op employers (2021-22)

Students graduate with up to 2 YRS of paid work experience

#1 IN CANADA for experiential learning (Comprehensive Universities; Maclean’s 2022)

97% CO-OP GRADS gain employment within six months graduating in roles related to their skills acquired at Waterloo

25,000+ CO-OP STUDENTS
Waterloo has more than three times as many co-op students as the next-closest Canadian post-secondary institution (2019)

$284M REPORTED EARNINGS by Waterloo co-op students in 2021-22
WORLD-CHANGING RESEARCH

Changing the world begins with a passion for discovery and research excellence while harnessing interdisciplinary strength.

$231M in research funding from public and private sources (2021-22)

Creator-Owned
Intellectual Property Rights Policy

Canada’s #1 Research University (comprehensive category) for 14 years (Research Infosource 2021)

More than a third of research activity relates to industry or government contract work

1 Nobel Laureate

1 Canada Excellence Research Chair

2 Canada 150 Chairs

5 Killam Prize winners

71 Canada Research Chairs

30+ University- and Senate-approved research centres and institutes
STRONG STARTUP CULTURE

Waterloo’s exceptional entrepreneurial culture and unique support for the commercialization of research attracts – and creates – founders

$3.6B raised by Velocity companies since 2008

100% SURVIVAL RATE of Velocity Fund companies since 2019

80% of Velocity Alumni have had headquarters in Ontario since 2008 (Velocity 2022)

5,000+ JOBS CREATED across 400+ Velocity startups from 2008-21

#1 UNIVERSITY for founders in Canada and #22 GLOBALLY (Pitchbook 2021)
We are committed to addressing the deep structural challenges to equity for marginalized communities in higher education and in society.

**PRESIDENT’S ANTI-RACISM TASK FORCE (PART)**

worked on building an equitable institution where all faculty, students and staff can learn, grow and thrive; where they feel valued, empowered, represented and safe.

**THE WORKING GROUPS**

developed recommendations to address structural challenges including:

- Policy reviews
- Decolonizing approaches to curricula, programs and services
- Resource needs such as funding and facilities
- Anti-racism training
- Communication and engagement strategies
- Ethical data governance

**IN 2021**

PART’s Implementation Teams and the University’s Equity Data Advisory Group launched:

- Two diplomas in Black Studies (*Fall 2022*)
- The Black Excellence and Indigenous Excellence faculty cluster hiring initiative
- Campus-wide events, including an Anti-racism Book Club
- The University’s equity data survey

**HOME TO THE GLOW CENTRE**

Canada’s oldest continuously run LGBTQ2+ student organization since 1971
Waterloo’s international community of students, faculty, staff, alumni, donors and partners demonstrate that shared success makes us all stronger.

**300+ UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS**
across 50 countries/regions

**118 STUDENT MOBILITY AGREEMENTS**
(Waterloo International: Monthly International Agreements Report December 2021)

**21% UNDERGRADUATE**

**40% GRADUATE STUDENTS**
are international (2021-22)

**$33.6M**
raised from **7,219 DONORS**
across 33 countries (2020-21)

**225K+ GRADUATES IN 154 COUNTRIES**
since 1957
GLOBAL IMPACT

FIND THEIR STORIES AT:

uwaterloo.ca/global-impact

Get to know some of Waterloo’s world-changing students, alumni and faculty in the *Global Impact Report*. 
In 1957, the University of Waterloo opened its doors to 74 engineering students with co-operative education as its cornerstone.

Today, with more than 42,500 students attending annually, Waterloo is #1 in Canada for experiential learning and employer-student connections.

The University is part of a global network spanning more than 225,000 alumni in 154 countries. Waterloo attracts world-class scholars including a Nobel Laureate, and leads in providing work-integrated learning opportunities with more than 8,000 active co-op employers in more than 60 countries.

Waterloo fosters an entrepreneurial spirit with its distinctive innovation ecosystem that includes Velocity – one of Canada’s most successful startup incubators.

That is why $3.6 billion has been raised and more than 5,000 jobs have been created by Velocity companies since 2008. It’s also why more than 7,200 donors across 33 countries have donated $33.6 million to Waterloo in 2020-21 and continue to donate today.

The University of Waterloo continues to spur innovation to solve problems on a global scale. Together, with the help of our partners and community, we can accomplish even more.