



MAKING SPACE FOR COMMUNITY



Conrad Grebel
University College



CAMPAIGN LAUNCH
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THE PROJECT

Since the College was first built more than 55 years ago, Grebel’s residence has grown, apartments were added, and our classrooms, library, archives, and other academic program spaces have all expanded dramatically. However, our kitchen and dining room are largely the same as they were in 1964. It’s now time to reinvest in these important facilities.

Having “room at the table” is key to building community—but currently there is not always room for everyone. An expanded Grebel cohort of students, faculty, and staff now crowd into a facility that was originally designed for a much smaller community.

To accommodate our growing community, we plan to build a new kitchen and dining room, with construction to begin in Spring 2019.

This view shows direct stair access and elevator access to the chapel.





THE NUMBERS

Costing a project of this scope is complicated and estimates for the kitchen and dining room project are \$6.8 million. Because some of this project is 'maintenance' in scope, the board is committing \$1 million of capital reserves. There are no government funds available for this capital project.



"This project resonates with people who understand what hospitality means at Grebel. Our

dining room is a place that shapes our students into leaders in our businesses, not-for-profits, and faith communities."

~ **PRESIDENT MARCUS SHANTZ**

PROJECT COST

\$6.8 MILLION

REVENUE

Capital Reserves

\$1 MILLION

Fundraising Target

\$4 MILLION

Balance to Finance

\$1.8 MILLION

Total Revenue

\$6.8 MILLION

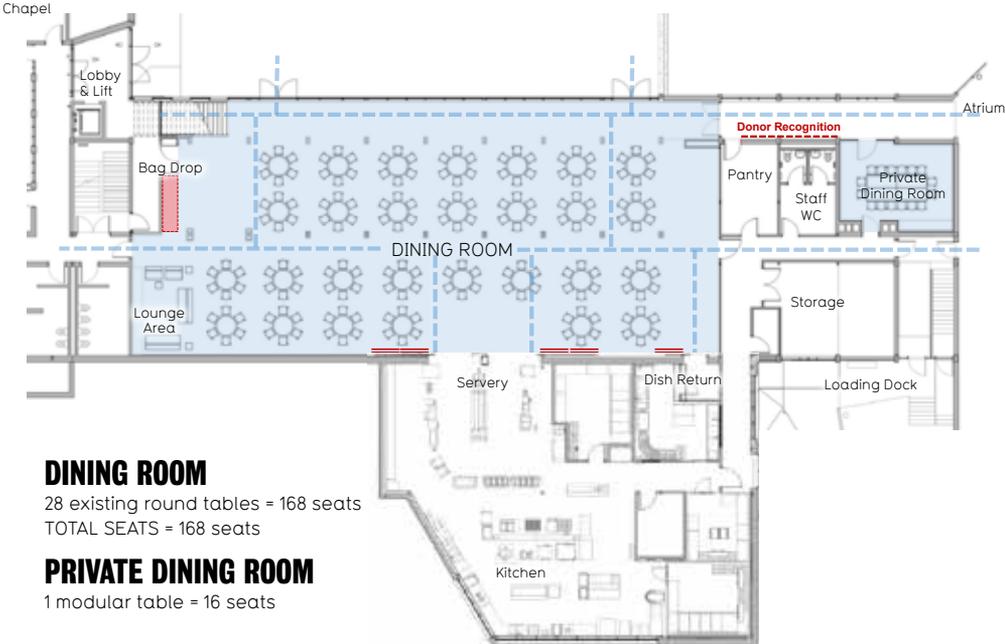
Raised to Date

\$3.2 MILLION

THE BLUEPRINTS

DAILY USE

DINING ROOM TABLE LAYOUT

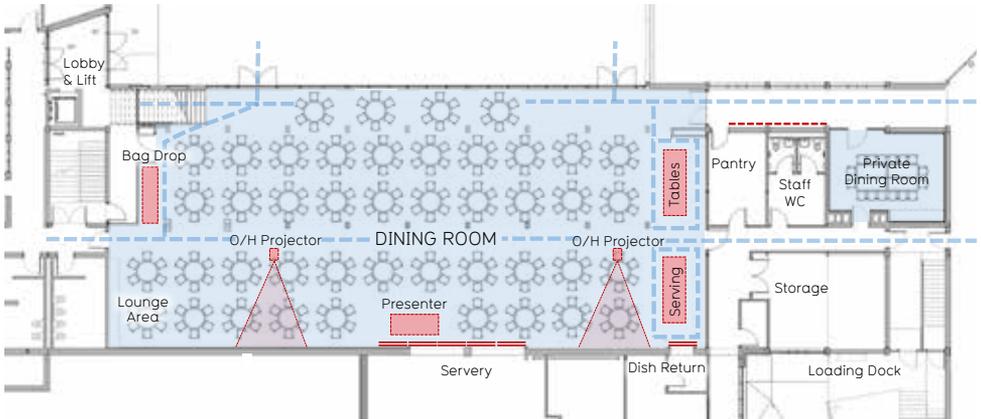


In the fall term, we have Community Supper waiting lists for associate students who live off campus but want to continue to be a part of our community. To embody the true meaning of an inclusive community, Grebel needs to be able to accommodate all our students.

With close to 70 graduate students, increased activity in the Kindred Credit Union Centre for Peace Advancement, and more participants in our continuing education programs, we need increased capacity in our kitchen and dining room to serve our extended community.

COMMUNITY SUPPER

DINING ROOM TABLE LAYOUT



FORMAL BANQUET

31 existing round tables = 186 seats
6 new round tables = 30 seats
6x 6' tables = 36 seats
6x 8' tables = 48 seats
TOTAL SEATS = 300 seats

COMMUNITY SUPPER

31 existing round tables = 186 seats
13 new round tables = 78 seats
TOTAL SEATS = 264 seats



“Part of Grebel’s culture is to ‘Fill the Table.’ This is a practice that is passed down from upper-year to first-year students and shared with staff and faculty. Everyone is encouraged to welcome anyone at their table until it is filled. Because of this long-held tradition, I’ve had so many amazing conversations and made some really interesting connections with people.”

~ HANNAH HILL, STUDENT



Corridor leading through the dining room, up the stairs, and directly to the chapel lobby

ACCESSIBILITY



“The residence experience at Grebel is incredible, but right now it is practically cordoned off from individuals with physical disabilities. If we want this community to be truly open for everyone, we need to start making material changes to our building so that it is accessible for people with different levels of ability.”

~ **ERIK MOHR, STUDENT**

Having an elevator is a clear signal of welcome and hospitality to those who have mobility challenges. Each year, the College hosts numerous events and concerts in the chapel. We are also an educational and research resource to the Mennonite Church and the broader community. As such, countless guests access the kitchen and dining room annually, many of whom also require access to the chapel from this space. Connecting the chapel to the dining room creates a tangible link between the worshipping community and the fellowship of our weekly Community Suppers together each Wednesday.”



THE PANTRY



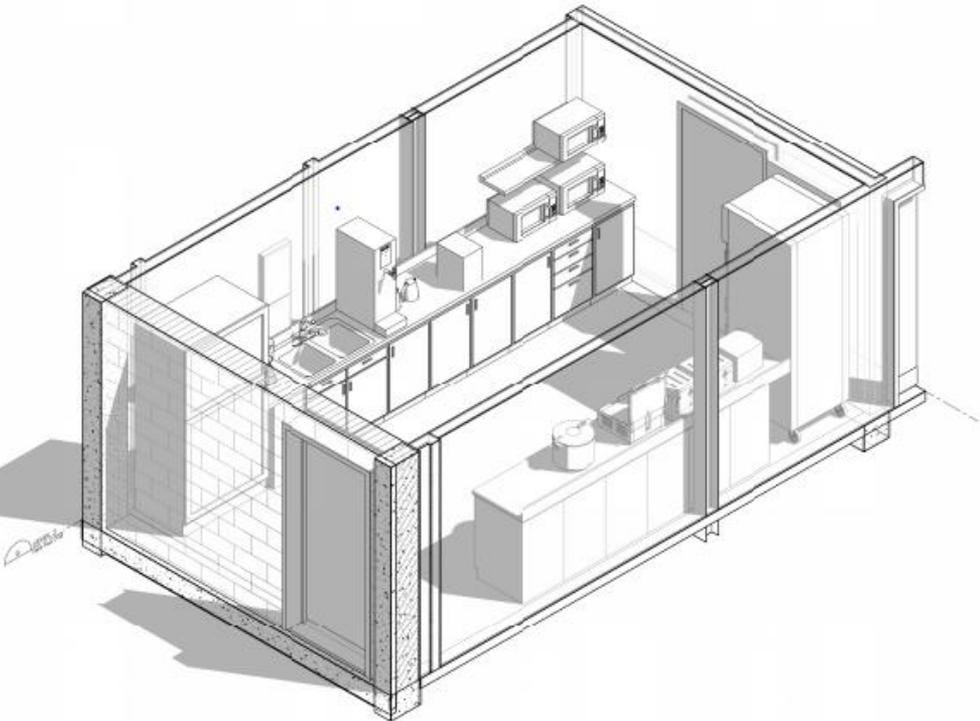
“The pantry will give students a place to make late night snacks. It will also be a spot for off-campus associates to store and prepare their lunches, as they continue to connect with other Grebelites and use the College as a home base.”

~ **MADELEINE NEUFELD,**
STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT



“In this building project, students have requested a space that is open 24/7 with microwaves, a fridge, a sink, toasters, panini press, and storage, plus other kitchen tools. The best conversations happen at night over popcorn!”

~ **ELORA DEERING, STUDENT**





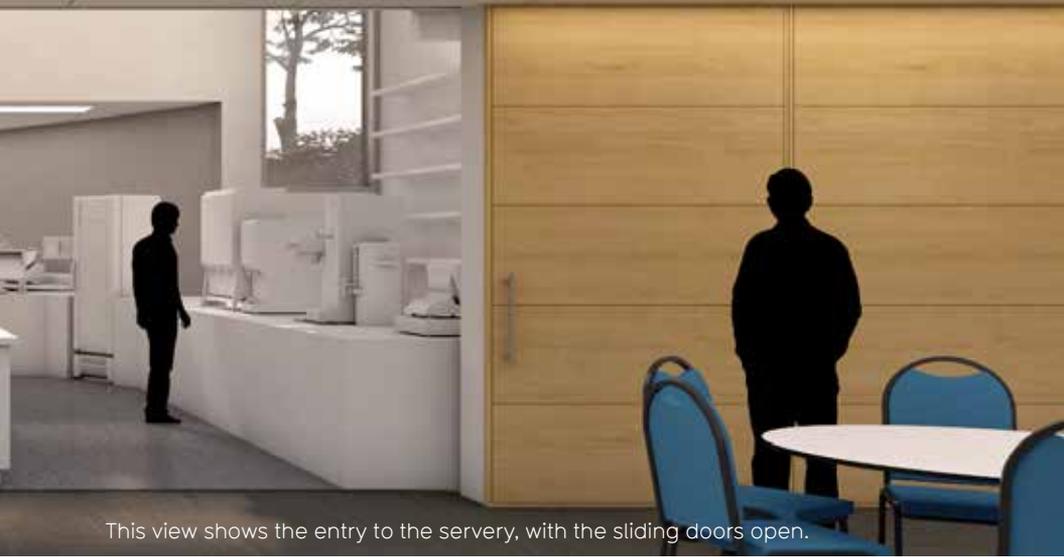
THE KITCHEN

Food services has been stretched with increased demands for catering and hosting campus events, not to mention the growing student numbers and the increase in specialized diets.



“I’m really looking forward to having more space for our staff to work in, and more space for people to come and enjoy the dining room – whether it’s for a reception or a dinner. I’m also looking forward to a redesigned and expanded serving line that remains open concept. Our kitchen staff will still be able to easily connect with our students!”

~ **CHERI OTTERBEIN, FOOD SERVICES MANAGER**



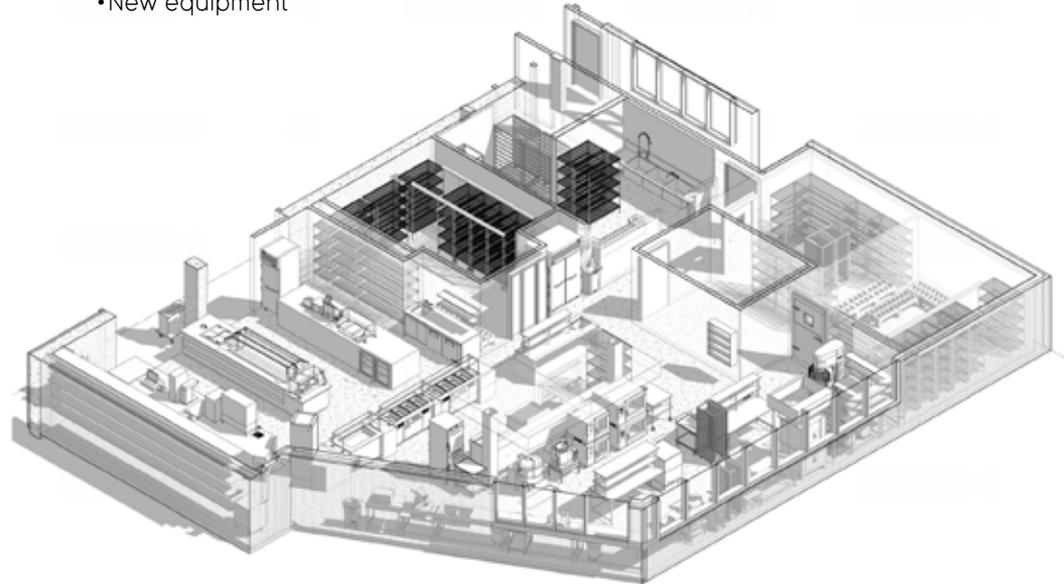
This view shows the entry to the servery, with the sliding doors open.

KITCHEN

- Lots of natural daylight
- Spacious baking area
- Separate area for allergen-free preparation/cooking
- New equipment

SERVEDY

- Spacious circulation
- Connection to dining room
- Accommodates special diets



GET INVOLVED



“One of many reasons our son Jon chose to live at Grebel was for its home cooked, all-you-can-eat meal plan and its profound culture around communal dining. Making room at the table is key for building community and creating hospitality. I invite you to join me and my husband Rick, and make a gift to this important community-building project.”

**~ RUTH-ANN SHANTZ,
FUNDRAISING ADVISORY CHAIR
AND GREBEL PARENT**

“Sharing a meal is at the heart of our experience of community at Grebel, and it has been humbling to see so many people share donations for this important project.”

**~ FRED W. MARTIN,
DIRECTOR OF
ADVANCEMENT**



We welcome all gifts to this 3-year campaign and every donor will be included on a donor recognition feature in the new facilities. We are suggesting 3 different levels as part of this fundraising campaign:



The “pillar” level is symbolic of the 11 pillars that will be located along the window side of the dining room.



The “table” level is symbolic of the new capacity for 50 tables, seating up to 300 people in the dining room.



The “tray” level is symbolic of the 200 trays currently in circulation.

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