PIONEERING MENNONITE HIGHER EDUCATION

In the early 1960s, the University of Waterloo invited the Mennonites in Ontario to establish a college alongside three other church colleges on its new campus. Three conferences who were part of the Kitchener-Waterloo Inter-Mennonite Ministers Fellowship worked together to establish Conrad Grebel College in 1963. The project proved to be a harbinger of ongoing collaboration and the eventual integration of Mennonite groups in Ontario and beyond.

INSPIRING MIND AND SPIRIT

The College’s mission is “to seek wisdom, nurture faith and pursue justice and peace in service to church and society.” Grebel’s core values include inspired teaching, scholarly excellence, compassionate service, community building, active peacemaking, and global engagement. These are expressed through the academic and student life programs.

CREATING COMMUNITY

A significant way to build bridges within the Mennonite Church in North America is to bring its young people together. Grebel strives to recruit half of its residence students from the Anabaptist/Mennonite community. While the majority of these are from Ontario, many students come from across Canada and the United States.

Grebel remains a gift to the Mennonite church in its setting as a small residential college on the campus of a large, world-renowned university and through unique academic programs reflecting its Mennonite identity. The bridges of friendship and understanding built in the classroom and the residence reach across regional, denominational, and national divides.
The Conflict Management Certificate Program offers interactive and inspiring public workshops led by highly qualified trainers and practitioners to help effectively engage in the inevitable conflict that occurs in relationships, whether in workplace, family, or faith communities.