

# Congratulations

to the recipients of the

# 2016

# Premier's Awards

FOR OUTSTANDING COLLEGE GRADUATES

There were **107 exceptional graduates** from Ontario's 24 public colleges nominated for this important award, which recognizes their achievements in Canada and throughout the world.

## Winners:



**Ron Suter**  
Business  
Humber College

The executive vice-president at NBCUniversal Television is an entertainment visionary who oversees the Canadian market distribution for every piece of intellectual property the company produces. In addition to the television strategy, he has overseen the growth of the company's streaming strategy. Under his leadership, NBCUniversal has doubled its sales volume over the past decade.



**Kelly Crawford**  
Community Services  
Canadore College

The vice-principal/education team lead at the Kenjgewin Teg Educational Institute is a passionate educator who is committed to eliminating cultural barriers between indigenous and non-indigenous people. She contributes to various curriculum projects in Ontario and was the author of *We Are All Treaty People*, a very successful teachers' guide in Ontario for Grades 1 to 8.



**Farzana Wahidy**  
Creative Arts and Design  
Loyalist College

Having secretly attended school in Afghanistan while it was under Taliban rule, she became the first female Afghan photojournalist to work for the Agence France-Presse and later the Associated Press. Her award-winning work, which has captured the struggles of women in Afghanistan, has appeared in such publications as the *Sunday Times*, the *Guardian* and *Canadian Geographic*.



**Dianne Martin**  
Health Sciences  
Georgian College

The executive director for the Registered Practical Nurses Association of Ontario is a recognized champion for the nursing profession. Acting as consultant to more than 50 hospitals, she helps administrators better understand and expand the nurses' role and works with them to implement positive change. She also advises nursing students through classroom visits across Canada.



**Aylan Couchie**  
Recent Graduate  
Georgian College

The Anishinaabe artist is motivated by a passion to reach a broad audience. Recognition of her work has included winning an International Sculpture Center award in 2015 for contemporary sculpture by a student. Her work covers such plights as missing and murdered indigenous women and the legacies of residential schools.



**Chris Gower**  
Technology  
Fanshawe College

The chief operating officer of PCL Construction's buildings group has had an impressive career with the company for more than 20 years. By 2001, he was overseeing PCL's operations in Saskatchewan and in 2009 was recognized as one of Canada's Top 40 Under 40. Under his leadership, revenue at the company's Toronto operations grew from \$350 million to \$1.8 billion.

## Nominees:

**ALGONQUIN COLLEGE**  
Donna Dooher  
George Laframboise  
Loring Phinney  
Joanna Schubert  
Stu Schwartz  
Imrun Texeira

**COLLÈGE BORÉAL**  
Marc Dionne  
Kevin Roy

**CAMBRIAN COLLEGE**  
Allan Dokis  
Andrew Knapp

**CANADORE COLLEGE**  
Michael Monaghan

**CENTENNIAL COLLEGE**  
Jennifer Elia  
Marissa Kokkoros  
Stephen Linton  
Josh Skinner  
Patricia Wang

**CONESTOGA COLLEGE**  
Kirk Dudtschak  
James Hobson  
Johanne Léveillé-Schirm  
Barry Zehr  
Keith Zehr

**CONFEDERATION COLLEGE**  
Kateri Banning-Skaarup  
Damian Patrick Joseph  
Ronald Monias

**DURHAM COLLEGE**  
Hannah Elkington  
Melody Gaukel  
Philip Pritchard

**FANSHAW COLLEGE**  
Cheryl Hickey  
Sandy Jackson  
Larry Lau  
Steffen Marin  
Thomas Piraino

**FLEMING COLLEGE**  
Peter Andreas  
Irene Karsten  
John Lyons  
Wabiska Mukwa  
Tammy O'Rourke  
Tracey Randall

**GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE**  
Nathalie Cook  
Kwayne Jones  
Ashley Kwong  
Marlon Merraro  
Perry Poulsen  
David Wolfman

**GEORGIAN COLLEGE**  
Peter Grande  
Robert Hengeveld  
Bryan Marshman  
Peter Sullivan

**HUMBER COLLEGE**  
Jill Andrew  
Laila Biali  
Peter F. Dundas  
Giacomo Gianniotti  
Andy Kikites

**COLLÈGE LA CITÉ**  
Christian Lalonde

**LAMBTON COLLEGE**  
Aaron J. Huggett  
Shawn Johnston  
Christopher Omira  
Sean Pinsonneault  
Anthony Varga

**LOYALIST COLLEGE**  
Michael Callaghan  
Danielle Hall  
Marta Iwanek  
Karen Mayfield  
April Plumton

**MOHAWK COLLEGE**  
Emily Baynes  
Richard J. Brennan  
William Chisholm  
Justin Fyfe  
Shaun Iles  
Steven Lennon

**NIAGARA COLLEGE**  
Murray Brewster  
Chris Claringbold  
Shane Eickmann  
Lori Gill  
Joseph Mitchell

**NORTHERN COLLEGE**  
Al Francis  
Kelly Strong  
Adrian Sutherland

**SAULT COLLEGE**  
Charles Cartmill  
Kristina Lengyel  
Darren Madahbee  
Jeannette Oraziotti

**SENECA COLLEGE**  
Andrew Bowins  
Joelene Huber  
Kevin Junor  
Vivienne Poy  
Mia Spiegelman  
Chris Tyler

**SHERIDAN COLLEGE**  
Camille Eanga-Selenge  
Charmaine Hammond  
Michael Hicks  
Kent Monkman  
Gloria Peckham  
Philip Pritchard

**ST. CLAIR COLLEGE**  
Beverly Clarke  
Vince Del Duca  
Veronica Friesen  
Tony Haddad  
Mary Wilk

**ST. LAWRENCE COLLEGE**  
Ryan Baillargeon  
Rich Donnelly  
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