

NEW CAMPUS DESIGN UPDATE - November 2010

In the first phase of the new campus development, the Project Management and Campus Development consulting teams met with all the staff of Algonquin College in the Ottawa Valley on several occasions to discuss the philosophy and core values desired for the campus and how it would best serve our students, staff and the community.

In the next phases of the design/build process, staff and the project team examined priorities and costs, and discussed how they imagined the physical space would look and feel, both inside and outside. Throughout the process, the ideas, vision, concerns and practical aspects of what the new college campus should include get articulated, filtered and refined to a final comprehensive campus plan that will be used by the architects and contractors.

Different teams of design/ builders who are interested in the project are now studying the campus plan and will use it as their guiding document to work on design submissions for the new campus.

This is an ongoing process and there will be many more meetings over the next several months. Campus construction, will begin in the spring of 2011. (Original media release follows.)



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**Algonquin College Hires Project Management and Campus Development Teams
for Renaissance Square Project**

Algonquin College is moving forward with the next phase of the building of its new waterfront campus near Pembroke's downtown. The College is pleased to announce the hiring of Tiree, as its Project Management firm, and Civitas Architecture, in partnership with Jp2g Consultants of Pembroke, as its Campus Development Team.

Tiree, based in Ottawa, will oversee all aspects of the \$36 million project including managing, monitoring and coordinating multiple stakeholders, consultants and construction entities as the plan is developed and construction takes place. Tiree's President, Duncan McNaughton says: "We are excited to be leading this project and we look forward to delivering Renaissance Square on time and on budget."



Civitas Architecture has extensive experience in coordinating multidisciplinary projects, particularly with school boards, colleges and universities throughout Eastern Ontario. By teaming up with Jp2g of Pembroke, they have found a local partner that has extensive local planning and engineering expertise and a good understanding of the project site and the surrounding lands. In addition, the firm of Lowans and Stephen, highly-regarded for their expertise in sustainable planning and design, will be working with Civitas, along with specialists in landscape architecture, environmental planning, building engineering and real estate.

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The new campus will be planned, designed and built over the next two years and is scheduled to open in the fall of 2012. Over the spring and summer of 2010, the Campus Development Team will complete a comprehensive campus plan which will be a guiding document for the design and construction of the campus. The consultants will also prepare all documents required for the municipal site plan approval process and the Request for Proposal document to select and engage a design-build team to construct the new campus.

Pembroke Campus Dean, Karen Davies, says the College is pleased to have these firms on board as they prepare to start construction on Renaissance Square. "We are confident that we have chosen companies that have the expertise and capacity to help us build a world-class facility for our students, staff and the community. We are also very pleased that our lead partners have recognized local talent through the hiring of Jp2g Consultants to assist in the planning of this very large project that will bring so many benefits to all of Renfrew County."

The name of the project, Renaissance Square, symbolizes the potential for a rebirth of the College and Pembroke's downtown core. The College has set April of 2011 as the date for construction to begin on the new campus that will increase access to post-secondary education by allowing for annual full-time enrolments of more than 1,000 students.

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