Community Building and Development

Student Engagement and Partnership: Calumet College Council and Stong College Student Government represent the voice of the students in their respective colleges. The Colleges are also affiliated with student clubs whose mandates align with the colleges’ strategic plan, such as: Global Health Student Association; Kinesiology and Health Science Student Organization; Nursing Students Association at York; Nursing Student Tutoring, Ambassadorship and Mentorship Programs; Second-Entry Nursing Association; Student Association of Health Management, Policy and Informatics; Undergraduate Psychology Students Association; The Ascend Network; Active Minds.

Indigenous Circle: Calumet College has had a long and unique connection with the Indigenous community. Both colleges are committed to advocating for priorities that enhance Indigenous health and wellness, engaging the Indigenous community and celebrating Indigenous heritage.

Alumni and Fellow Engagement: Alumni and Fellows (supporters and friends) contribute to creating a multi-cultural, intellectual, inclusive and vibrant community at the Colleges. They guide and mentor students, assist with adjudicating awards and bursaries, engage in evolving the student success programs, help with special projects and advise the Heads of the Colleges.
Who We Are

Calumet College and Stong College are committed to student success throughout their University experience. Through mentorship, peer-based academic support programs, and leadership and professional development, we help students transition successfully into university, support them throughout their academic careers and connect them with alumni post graduation. We empower students to develop their academic and professional skills and help them establish networks to pursue their career interests. Calumet and Stong Colleges are predominantly affiliated with the Faculty of Health, and offer opportunities for students to volunteer, work and participate in research. We collaborate with our campus and community partners and alumni to advance our Vision “To inspire learning, leadership, and citizenship”.

Our Values & Mission

Student-centric · Collaborative · Mentorship · Engagement · Bold

A college community committed to an engaged student experience through high-quality and collaborative academic support, leadership development and recognition of achievement.

Orientation and Transition

Orientation is a great way for new students and their families to transition into university, discover campus resources, and establish social and academic networks with peers, Peer Leaders, staff and faculty. Activities include York Orientation Day, Parent & Family Orientation, and Winter & Summer Orientations.

Mentoring connects well-trained, upper-year students with first-year and transfer students to help them transition into university. As well, it connects graduate students and alumni with upper-level students to guide and provide advice about post-graduation career choices.

Academic Support Programs

Course Representatives are well-trained students who make class announcements to encourage their classmates to engage in their own personal and academic success, liaise with classmates and the course director to improve students’ learning experience, and organize unfacilitated study groups to promote healthy learning strategies.

Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS) are group study sessions for challenging courses facilitated by well-trained, upper-year student leaders to strengthen students’ study skills and learning strategies.

Peer Tutoring is a one-on-one academic service provided by well-trained, upper-year student leaders to help students understand challenging course content and develop their learning skills.

Leadership and Professional Development

Health & Wellness hands-on workshops and themed events that address the Body, Mind and Heart: nutritional, physical, sexual, intellectual, academic, occupational, financial, environmental, emotional, social and spiritual.

Leadership Exploration & Development (LEAD with us) students can develop or strengthen their leadership and citizenship skills by partaking in Foundational Peer Leadership Training (FPLT) and Advanced Peer Leadership Training in addition to weekly hands-on LEAD Essentials training workshops.

The Colleges also recruit Faculty of Health students who are passionate about positively influencing their community to become Peer Leaders. These volunteers undergo mandatory FPLT and Student Success Program-specific training to equip them with the necessary skills to support their peers. Peer Leaders can also further their leadership skills either at the Colleges or through off-campus opportunities.

Career Exploration helps students explore future career choices through alumni-supported guidance and events.

Awards, Bursaries & Recognition recognize students for their academic scholarship, community engagement and/or significant contribution to college life.

Agents of Change provides up to $500 in start-up funds to help students launch their own healthy initiative in the community.

To find out more about these programs, visit: calumet.yorku.ca/programs-calumet/stong.yorku.ca/programs/