

2022 IMPACT REPORT



Photos L-R: Scholars at the Student Awards Ceremony, studying in the Elizabeth Russell Achievement Centre, Ron Robert at Convocation.

We thank you for your support as we build an even stronger future for King's together. Gifts of all sizes made a positive impact last year.

EASING FINANCIAL BARRIERS

Thanks to our generous donors, more than 200 students were recognized at the Student Awards Ceremony for their academic and personal accomplishments. Read more: <https://bit.ly/3DwK1TF>

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

Investments in financial aid led to the creation of the **CIBC MEM Inclusion Award**, the **KPMG BIPOC Student Award**, and the **Sita Lakhotia Memorial Award** to serve under-represented communities in their educational journey and support the next generation of leaders.

BROADENING ACCESS TO LIBRARY SERVICES

Made possible thanks to an estate donation, the main floor of the G. Emmett Cardinal Carter Library officially re-opened in November as **The Elizabeth Russell Achievement Centre**. The enhancements further position the library as an accessible, inclusive and inspiring environment for learning, collaboration, creativity, and student success. The redesign included relocating the traditional front service desk to a more accessible and central location and providing more flexible learning and study spaces. See photos of The Elizabeth Russell Achievement Centre: <https://bit.ly/3JS0TID>

ADVANCING ACCESSIBILITY FOR STUDENTS OF ALL ABILITIES

The **Ron Robert Accessibility Fund** was established to provide financial assistance for students with disabilities and those facing challenges with covering the cost of housing, schooling and basic needs. The fund is named in honour of alumnus Ron Robert who graduated from King's in 2022 with a BA in Cross-Disciplinary Studies. Diagnosed with Alzheimer's in 2016, Ron enrolled at King's in 2018 as a way to keep his brain stimulated to fight the effects of the disease. Read more about Ron Robert: <https://bit.ly/3DpOSWK>

Thank you for giving the gift of opportunity in 2022!



LEARNING IN ACTION

“The experiential learning process is amazing! It allows us to bring the knowledge from our textbooks and classrooms and apply it to the real world.”

Callan Klooster, Social Justice & Peace Studies
Rondine in Italy, Experiential Learning May 2022

Experiential learning provides students with practical hands-on opportunities where they can apply their knowledge, strengthen their skills, and collaborate meaningfully with communities. In spring, international experiential learning resumed after travel restrictions were lifted, and students and faculty travelled abroad for unique immersive learning experiences.

Fifty-eight students received financial support for experiential learning. On average, experiential learning trips cost \$2,000 - \$6,000 per person, and costs continue to rise due to fees like COVID insurance and other increasing expenses like fuel costs. For many students, a travel experience is only possible thanks to bursaries funded through donor support.

See experiential learning in action at <https://youtu.be/qjY4qInMIC4>

SUPPORTING STUDENTS FACING ADVERSITY

Ninety-four donors contributed to the **Student Emergency Fund**, which helped students experiencing unforeseen financial emergencies. As reported, food insecurity is one of the most significant challenges students face today.

The Student Emergency Fund helped students with urgent expenses, including:

- Food, groceries and personal care needs
- Textbooks and educational costs
- Housing costs
- Technology supports
- Job loss income support

