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**Ontario College Research Income Advances by 37.2% in Fiscal 2013  
George Brown College Advances to 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Overall  
Algonquin College Tops in Number of Research Partnerships**

**Toronto, ON (22 October 2014)** - George Brown College led 16 Ontario colleges by attracting \$9.3 million of research funding in Fiscal 2013 to jump to 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the national ranking, according to Research Infosource Inc., which released its annual list of *Canada's Top 50 Research Colleges* today. Seneca College held on to 8<sup>th</sup> place in the ranking with \$4.4 million of funding. In total, the 16 Ontario colleges on the Top 50 list attracted \$48.1 million of income to support research, a 37.2% gain on Fiscal 2012 and above the 30.8% national increase. In total, 14 of 16 Ontario colleges posted gains in research income.

"Fiscal 2013 was a solid year for Ontario's colleges," said Ron Freedman, CEO of Research Infosource Inc. "These are still early days for college research, and for this reason, we expect to see a high level of annual variability in research funding."

Canada's 50 leading research colleges posted a record total of \$152.8 million of research income in Fiscal 2013. Fiscal 2013 growth of 30.8% follows a Fiscal 2012 increase of 30.7%. Ontario institutions accounted for 31.5% of the national total this year.

This year, Research Infosource also included a spotlight on college research activity which has correspondingly expanded. In total, the Top 50 reported engaging in hundreds of research partnerships with external organizations and completed a similar number of projects during the year. Algonquin College was first in Canada with 120 formal research partnerships and 180 completed research projects last year, closely followed by George Brown College with 101 partnerships and 91 completed projects.

"Colleges and Cégeps have a unique place in the country's national system of innovation," said Mr. Freedman. "They differentiate themselves by concentrating on practical, applied research that is focussed on the needs of local firms and organizations."

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