

# 8 Manicured Quads

## C Hydrologically Supportive Features and Areas



Lady Eaton College, Trent University



Trent Annual Elders and Traditional Peoples Gathering.  
Source: Clifford Skarstedt/Examiner



Lady Eaton Lawn, Trent University



Integrated green space at Champlain College, Trent University

The University has a network of managed green spaces across the campus that include manicured quads such as the Lady Eaton Lawn, the Margery J. Warren Garden, and various sports fields. These spaces provide amenity, formal and informal gathering, and are often framed by the buildings around them.

While grassed areas provide limited ecological benefit, they serve to support hydrologic functions. They provide permeable surfaces that allow for infiltration of water, which supports groundwater systems and in turn support ecological features, they reducing runoff which helps avoid erosion, and supports management of water quantity and quality to receiving streams and wetlands.

These grassed areas also respond and interface with adjacent buildings, and provide ample space for regular activity, gatherings and celebrations. They accommodate arrival, create views, and facilitate movement and connections throughout the campus. Strategic plantings and environmental stewardship initiatives support biodiversity creation and stormwater management. To encourage comfortable usage, it's important that these spaces provide flexible seating and weather protection throughout the year.

New spaces for outdoor recreation may be introduced throughout the campus to provide restorative, passive, and active forms of sports and recreation, keeping the campus population active and healthy in body and mind.