

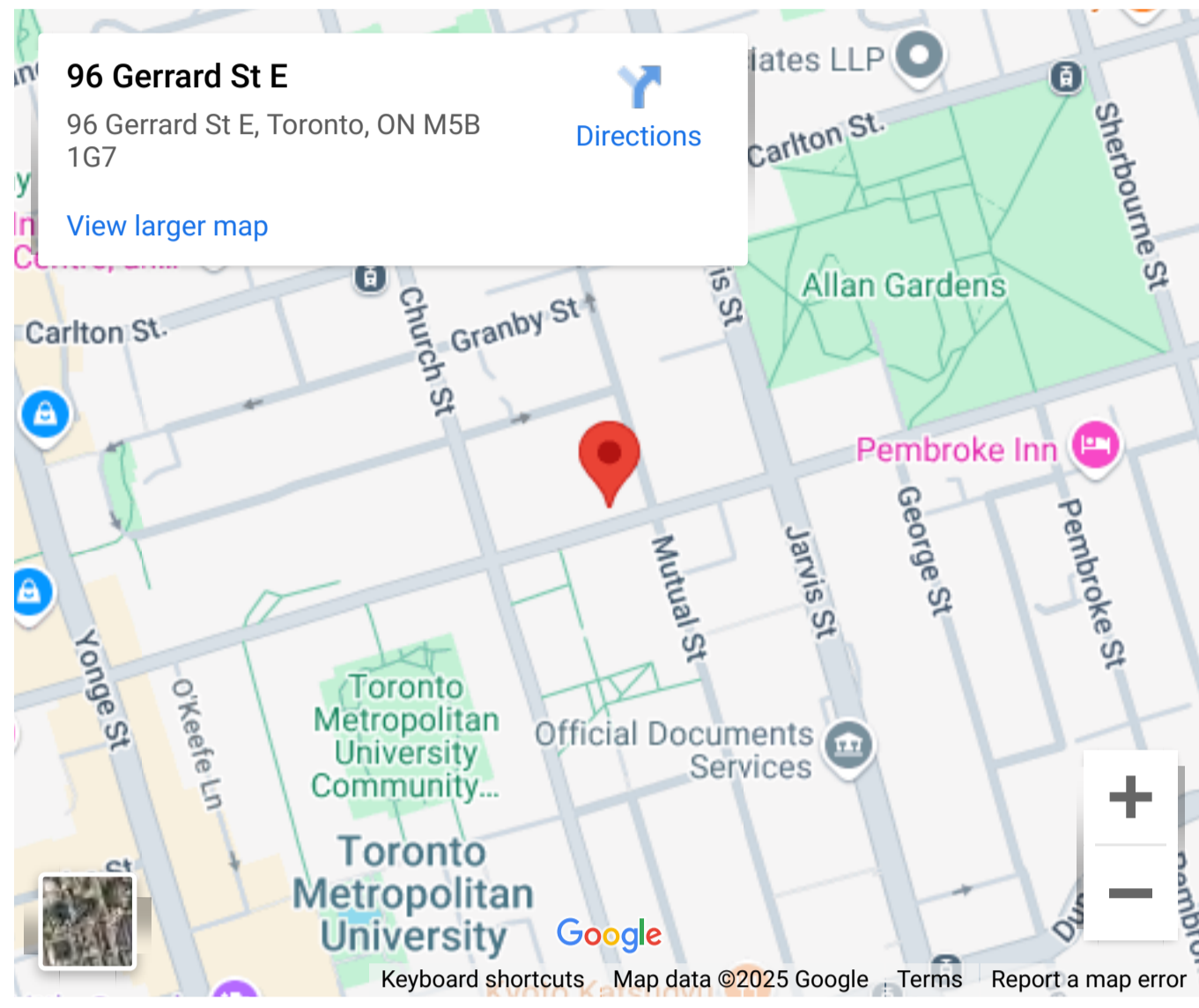
Come live with us.

There's a lot of life lived at Neill-Wycik. As a student housing co-operative during the school year, it's home to more than 780 post-secondary students. In the summer months, it welcomes numerous travellers from around the world, operating as Neill-Wycik Hotel.

Already a Wycik member?

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Location



Neill-Wycik Co-operative College Inc

96 Gerrard St. E.
Toronto ON, M5B 1G7

Centrally located in downtown Toronto, Neill-Wycik is steps from Toronto Metropolitan University and a short walk to George Brown College, OCAD, the University of Toronto, and several other schools.

Toronto Metropolitan University: Right across the street.

OCAD U: 1.8 km

George Brown College: 1.5 km

University of Toronto: 1.6 km

Co-op, defined



Neill-Wycik is a student housing co-operative, which means it offers a much different living experience than residence or an off-campus apartment. If you live at Neill-Wycik, you have a voice in the decisions that affect the community of its approximately 780 members—in fact, **you become an owner**. There's no landlord profiting from your rent, which is how we're able to offer affordable housing in such an amazing location.

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What life is like at Neill-Wycik



Housing

Your home away from home, Neill-Wycik provides co-operative living accommodations to post-secondary students.



Community

More than just place to live, Neill-Wycik embraces the co-operative principle of community—where you'll live, work, and grow together.



Affordability

The co-operative way of life means our rent stays well below market rates, making Neill-Wycik an affordable solution for students.



Location

In the heart of downtown Toronto, Neill-Wycik is at Toronto Metropolitan University's doorstep and a short walk to George Brown, U of T, and OCAD.



Learning

Go beyond the classroom and learn life skills that will strengthen your character and your resumé. Your contributions to the building are a great opportunity to learn, participate, and grow.



Experience

Experience the connections and opportunities available by meeting and working alongside other members of the co-op, creating memorable experiences you'll take with you at the end of this chapter of your life's journey.

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Student housing co-operative

Neill-Wycik is unlike any other student residence or apartment you might be considering for your post-secondary home. It's a co-operative, which means you'll become a member invested in the welfare of the building and a contributing participant to the community within it. Let's take a closer look at what that means before you decide to apply.



Here are some important things that make us different from others:

Affordable Living

Neill-Wycik is a non-for-profit co-op, and that means your housing charge goes back into the building. To live here means you are a member of a community, invested in the maintenance and operation of the building.

Live Democratically

As a member of the co-op, you have a voice in the decision making; you are encouraged to contribute your ideas and become involved in making Neill-Wycik a fair and inclusive place to live.

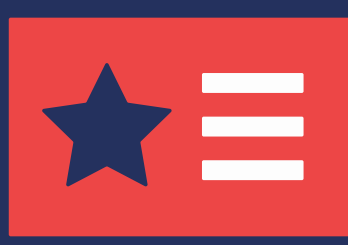
Member Responsibilities

Each member of Neill-Wycik is responsible for contributing towards the sustainability of the building. This means you are responsible for cleaning your own room and shared unit, and you have the autonomy to join an existing social activity committee or create something new. You understand that you need to be a member in good standing in order to renew your membership each term. During the summer months May – August, vacant rooms are allocated to the hotel in order to balance lower-than-market rent.

Live by the principles

Neill-Wycik honours the principles set by the founding institution of co-operative living, The Rochdale Society of Equitable Pioneers, and they're at the heart of everything we do.

The Wycik Principles:



Voluntary and Open Membership



Democratic Member Control



Member's Economic Participation



Autonomy and Independence



Education, Training, and Information



Cooperation Among Cooperatives



Concern for Community

If all of this sounds like the kind of living experience you're excited about, [we invite you to come live with us.](#)

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How did Neill-Wycik come to be?

In 1966, a group of Ryerson students frustrated with the lack of accessible student housing put their collective minds together to problem-solve solutions to the shortage. What they initially developed was a student-run housing registry, but they knew that if they were really going to affect change for the better, the solution needed to be more permanent. Co-operative living became a viable option, and in the spring of 1969, an official sod-turning party at the corner of Mutual and Gerrard Streets was held, marking a three-year effort of the newly formed Board of Directors to secure financing, find a site, and organize construction.

By 1968, 100 students had moved into Rochdale College, the training ground of co-operative housing, to learn exactly what it meant to run a co-op for students. The doors to Neill-Wycik opened in 1970 with the 22-storey Gerrard wing, followed in 1988 by the addition of the McGill wing.



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Why Neill-Wycik?

The name Neill-Wycik, as the hyphen indicates, is inspired by two different sources: Alexander Sutherland Neill, who was the founder of Sumerhill, one of the world's most successful free schools, and Mr. and Mrs. Wycik, who served Ryerson students at Oakham House for more than 25 years.

What do we value?

Neill-Wycik is reliant on membership participation. The co-operative model developed by the founders is as important to the success of the building as the members are to continuing its legacy.

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