



**Announcement
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**Tri-University Group launches *Primo*
Staff team wins OCUL Outstanding Contribution Award**

In early September 2009, the TriUniversity Group of Libraries: Laurier, Guelph and Waterloo (TUG) launched *Primo*, the new online search tool to discover the collections of all three libraries. *Primo* will allow users to find and access a wide range of print and electronic resources from a single search point. With a user-friendly interface, it has many design features to improve the research experience by making it more intuitive, seamless, and enjoyable.

The Ontario Council of University Libraries (OCUL) congratulates TUG on this achievement. OCUL has awarded the *2009 OCUL Outstanding Contribution Award* to the TUG *Primo* Implementation Team in recognition of their work in this project. The TUG *Primo* Implementation Team embodies the OCUL vision statement by exemplifying “the collaborative development and delivery of outstanding and innovative library services that are critical to the success of Ontario’s universities”.

The *OCUL Outstanding Contribution Award* was established by the OCUL Directors in May 2008 to recognize the outstanding contribution of an individual or team of individuals within the OCUL consortium. This is the first time that it has been presented. The TUG *Primo* Implementation Team has set an impressively high standard and an excellent example for future potential recipients of the Award.

“Through their work in implementing a new “discovery layer” across the TUG system of libraries, the *Primo* Implementation Team has greatly enriched the learning environment for a large number of OCUL users, and has demonstrated and modeled some of the best elements of collaborative project management – careful planning, efficient management of available staffing resources and skill sets, and highly effective consultation and communication with all stakeholders”. Margaret Grove, OCUL Chair and University Librarian, Brock University, congratulated the TUG *Primo* Implementation Group on their award when it was announced in May 2009. The Group members are:

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Nancy Collins (Waterloo)
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