

WINE VISITOR + EDUCATION CENTRE, NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE

Niagara College has the only on-campus vineyards in Canada, and is the largest public educator for Ontario and Canadian wines in the country. It is the only school in Canada with a commercial teaching winery. With a focus on excellence and quality, the centre provides applied research in wine business, oenology and viticulture. All operations are self-sufficient while promoting environmental sustainability.



Centre opened November 2009

Benefits

- World class graduates from full-time and part-time programs: Wine and Viticulture Diploma, Wine Business Management Graduate Certificate, Sommelier Certificate and Continuing Education Certificates, as well as Continuing Education courses, seminars and conferences related to grape and wine industries
- Consolidate Teaching Winery facilities that were spread over four locations on campus
- Enhance student and industry education and training:
- Theoretical knowledge in the classrooms and laboratories
- Applied skills development in the campus vineyards
- Comprehensive sales, marketing and agritourism business development at the education centre
- Increase support for the development of wine, viticulture and tourism industries
- Provide specialized training and seminars for grape and wine industry, applied business and tourism projects, and wine and culinary sector tourism promotions
- Facilities for wine production research projects in partnership with industry and other educational institutions
- New major point of contact for the wine route, culinary trail, winery and grower information
- Venue for industry seminar and meetings, special training initiatives and conferences, such as the Uncorked Grape and Wine Conference and Tradeshow, and Tasting Room Profitability
- Excellent facility to host tastings, displays, tours and special events for small and large groups
- More opportunities for student employment during school year and summer

MAIN LEVEL

Vintage Hall
Wine Tasting Bar
Wine Seminar Room
Wine Classroom
Discovery Exhibits
Vintner's Display
Awards Display

TEACHING WINERY LEVEL

Wine Barrel Cellar
Wine Production Cellar
Wine Classroom
Crush Area
Three Viticulture Labs
Oenology and Fermentation Lab
Wine Library
Outdoor Vineyard Terrace
Terroir Classroom

