

# SUBMISSIONS | PUBLIC BUILDINGS IN CONTEXT

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Max Gluskin House,  
Department of Economics,  
University of Toronto

## Address

150 St. George Street

## Project Team

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## Owner/Client

University of Toronto



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Set within three interconnected historic University of Toronto buildings, two of which face St. George Street with the third reaching back toward the rear of the site, The Department of Economics' primary objective was to expand current facilities, as well as to revitalize the department and to significantly enhance the department's architectural presence on the St George campus. In order to solve this complex problem, a series of additions around, and some selective interventions within the existing buildings, are intended to provide the department with more unity and coherence, increase collegiality and make the department more accessible to students. The design is organized around two open green spaces to maximize natural light into the offices, various common spaces, lounges and meeting rooms. The south court used for social and academic gatherings, when combined with the neighbouring Innis College court, provides a single, more generous open landscaped space benefiting both the Department of Economics and Innis College to the south.

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