

# Helping George Brown College Prepare Students for the Workplace



George Brown uses RequirementONE to simulate what students will experience in the working world.

### Company

George Brown is a public, fully accredited college with three campuses in downtown Toronto, Ontario.

### Challenge

As students become more focused on career prospects, institutions must deliver the most relevant skills possible.

#### Solution

As part of coursework in Business Analysis, RequirementONE is used to teach skills related to requirements management.

### Background



Not so long ago it was simple for students to select a college and courses. Recently, things have gotten a lot more complex. Students have become demanding customers – looking for guarantee of a job at the end of their studies, varied options for learning and preparation for the modern workplace. As students become more focused on career and employment prospects upon graduation, institutions must deliver the most relevant content and skills possible. George Brown provides modern learning facilities, using state-of-art technology that simulates what students will experience in the working world – RequirementONE is one of these tools.

"Teaching business analysis competencies using a requirements management tool that illustrates best practices is great for us and for the students"

Professor Richard Levine



The college applied a best-practice and thorough process to sourcing a new Requirement Management Tool. Selection Assessing vendors against the following: • Determine business and functional (technical) needs Select list of candidates Criteria • Assess and weigh all candidates against needs • Rank top choices • Assess short-list against main use cases (or user stories) RequirementONE was selected at the end of the process based on ease of use, contemporary design, and the flexible academic site license offering. As part of the Certification Program in Business Analysis, the college felt that a clear understanding of requirements management and practical ability with a requirements Solution management tool were essential skills for a business analyst. RequirementONE is used by students studying other related subjects as well, including project management and

In the future the college will use RequirementONE to gather, collate, assign and manage requirements for their software projects. When compared to using spreadsheets or other more complex systems, RequirementONE enables students to get up to speed quickly and achieve results.

requirement management.

For the academic staff, it is simple to audit student's work and ensure they are following best practice guidelines and managing requirements, use cases, tests and stakeholder feedback in the most efficient way. Additionally, the college anticipates using RequirementONE in joint academic/industry partnership programs. All of which can be completed under the academic site license.

## About Us

RequirementONE is a pioneer in freeing up content that is locked in documents, spreadsheets or binders on the shelf, and transforming them into structured actionable information. Our cloud-based platform is highly configurable, allowing for the accelerated delivery of solutions for compliance, business software implementation and product development. The unique Solution Store centralizes your internal best practices, and provides templates from industry experts. RequirementONE leads the way to more effective collaboration and reduced risk with consistent and rapid deployment of your projects.

#### RequirementONE

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### The Results 🆺

George Brown College is regarded as an accomplished college that produces graduates with the skills they value most, including productivity, customer service and teamwork. Using RequirementONE improves their ability to meet the needs of both students and employers.

Using a web-based tool, aligned to business analysis processes, ensures students can learn to be efficient, minimize errors in their work and deliver projects faster and more accurately.

### **Customer experience**

A key challenge for busy faculty staff is having the time to get a new system setup and running – often with hundreds of students and projects to manage. This is where the ease of use and software as a service aspects of RequirementONE came into play.

With our 'train the trainer' and web-based training sessions, the academic team was quickly up to speed on key areas of the product. Adding students as users followed soon after with the tool being used in the classroom very quickly.

"Administratively, working with RequirementONE was very smooth. In terms of deployment, it was easy for students to get started on individual projects."

