



Mohawk College Fennell Campus Biodiversity Inventory September - December 2024









In the Fall of 2024 Mohawk Sustainability began connecting with the Mohawk College Community to conduct a biological survey to set a baseline inventory of biodiversity on Mohawk College's Fennell Campus. This inventory will serve as a reference point for future observation of trends in pollinator prevalence and diversity on campus.

The 2024 Fall Fennell Campus Biodiversity Inventory includes observations made for the Fall Semester, September 1st – December 31st. Additionally from October 1st – 11th Mohawk Sustainability hosted a BioBlitz to identify any animals, insects, plants and trees on the Fennell Campus. Sip and Search events and guided nature walks were held to involve the Mohawk Community in adding observations to the iNaturalist project Fennell Campus BioBlitz - Fall 2024.

Summary:

In total 31 staff, students, and community members added their observations to contribute to the Biodiversity Inventory project.



Inventory Location

The Biodiversity Inventory was performed on the Mohawk College Fennell Campus located at 135 Fennell Avenue West in Hamilton Ontario. Below is a map of the campus boundary and the points of observations made.



Figure 1: Mohawk College Fennell Campus

Specific areas on campus that have been planted with native pollinator plants and maintained as natural spaces were inventoried including:



Mohawk Community Garden



The Miyawaki Forest



Rooftop Pollinator Garden



Governor's Blvd. Bioswale



The Hoop Dance



The Seed Orchard

Inventory Results

What did we find on campus?







Animals

Insects

Spiders







Flowers & Grasses

Trees

Fungi

Fall 2024 Biodiversity Inventory Results

| Common Name | Scientific Name | Number Observed |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Agrarian Sac Spider | Cheiracanthium Inclusum | 1 |
| Agrotina | Agrotina | 1 |
| American Asters | Symphyotrichum | 5 |
| American Crow | Corvus Brachyrhynchos | 5 |
| American Sycamore | Platanus Occidentalis | 1 |
| Apple | Malus Domestica | 3 |
| Apple Scab | Venturia Inaequalis | 1 |
| Ashes | Fraxinus | 1 |
| Asian Lady Beetle | Harmonia Axyridis | 13 |
| Asters | Astereae | 1 |
| Autumn Meadowhawk | Sympetrum vicinum | 1 |
| Bark Mycena | Mycena Corticola | 1 |
| Basswood | Tilia Americana | 2 |
| Bean Weevil | Bruchini | 1 |
| Beefsteak Plant | Perilla Frutescens | 1 |
| Bindweed Family | Convolvulaceae | 1 |
| Bittersweet Nightshade | Solanum Dulcamara | 3 |
| Black Maple | Acer Nigrum | 2 |
| Blanketflowers | Gaillardia | 2 |
| Bold Jumping Spider | Diplopoda | 1 |
| Brittlestems And Allies | Psathyrellaceae | 1 |
| Buckthorns | Rhamnus | 1 |
| Bull Thistle | Cirsium Vulgare | 4 |
| Bur Oak | Quercus Macrocarpa | 2 |
| Burdock | Arctium | 1 |
| Butter-And-Eggs | Linaria Vulgaris | 5 |

| Common Name | Scientific Name | Number Observed |
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| Buttercup Family | Ranunculaceae | 1 |
| Canada Goose | Branta Canadensis | 3 |
| Canada Thistle | Cirsium arvense | 2 |
| Catchflies | Silene | 1 |
| Catnip | Nepeta Cataria | 2 |
| Caucasian Stonecrop | Phedimus Spurius | 3 |
| Chinese Mantis | Tenodera Sinensis | 5 |
| Cinquefoils | Potentilla | 1 |
| Clouded Sulphur | Colias Philodice | 1 |
| Common Buckthorn | Rhamnus Cathartica | 1 |



Sage

Sage holds deep cultural and spiritual importance among Indigenous communities. It is one of the four sacred medicines, alongside cedar, tobacco, and sweetgrass, used in ceremonies, healing practices, and daily rituals.

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| Lumbricus | 1 |
| Bombus Impatiens | 5 |
| Oenothera Biennis | 1 |
| Agaricales | 1 |
| Senecio Vulgaris | 1 |
| Idia | 1 |
| Asclepias Syriaca | 6 |
| Leonurus Cardiaca | 3 |
| Physocarpus Opulifolius | 1 |
| Armadillidium Vulgare | 1 |
| Portulaca Oleracea | 1 |
| Prunella Vulgaris | 3 |
| Amelanchier Arborea | 1 |
| Digitaria | 1 |
| Silphium Perfoliatum | 1 |
| Taraxacum | 7 |
| Liatris Spicata | 1 |
| Magnoliopsida | 7 |
| Rosa Canina | 1 |
| Cornus | 1 |
| Dryobates Pubescens | 1 |
| Malva Neglecta | 4 |
| Toxomerus Geminatus | 1 |
| Sylvilagus floridanus | 1 |
| Populus Deltoides | 2 |
| Sciurus Carolinensis | 5 |
| Juniperus Virginiana | 1 |
| Thuja Occidentalis | 3 |
| Pinus Strobus | 1 |
| | Bombus Impatiens Oenothera Biennis Agaricales Senecio Vulgaris Idia Asclepias Syriaca Leonurus Cardiaca Physocarpus Opulifolius Armadillidium Vulgare Portulaca Oleracea Prunella Vulgaris Amelanchier Arborea Digitaria Silphium Perfoliatum Taraxacum Liatris Spicata Magnoliopsida Rosa Canina Cornus Dryobates Pubescens Malva Neglecta Toxomerus Geminatus Sylvilagus floridanus Populus Deltoides Sciurus Carolinensis Juniperus Virginiana Thuja Occidentalis |

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| Elms | Ulmus | 1 |
| English Oak | Quercus Robur | 2 |
| European Earwig | Forficula Auricularia | 2 |
| European Harvestman | Phalangium Opilio | 1 |
| European Paper Wasp | Polistes Dominula | 1 |

Red-Tailed Hawk

Red-tailed hawks play a crucial role as apex predators, helping to maintain balance in ecosystems by controlling populations of small mammals and other prey. Their presence signifies a healthy, thriving environment.



| Evening Primroses, Sundrops, And Beeblossoms | Oenothera | 1 |
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| False Spirea | Sorbaria | 1 |
| Field And Button Mushrooms | Agaricus | 2 |
| Field Maple | Acer Campestre | 1 |
| Fleabanes And Horseweeds | Erigeron | 1 |
| Flowering Plants | Angiospermae | 1 |
| Fungi Including Lichens | Fungi | 2 |
| German Yellowjacket | Vespula Germanica | 1 |
| Glandular Globe-Thistle | Echinops Sphaerocephalus | 1 |
| Golden-Crowned Kinglet | Regulus Satrapa | 2 |
| Goldenrod Gall Fly | Eurosta Solidaginis | 1 |
| Goldenrod Rust | Coleosporium Solidaginis | 1 |
| Goldenrods | Solidago | 11 |
| Grass Spiders | Agelenopsis | 2 |
| Grasses | Poaceae | 1 |
| Greater Celandine | Chelidonium Majus | 1 |
| Greater Plantain | Plantago Major | 1 |
| Ground Crickets | Nemobiinae | 1 |
| Ground Yellowjackets | Vespula | 1 |
| Groundsels | Senecio | 2 |
| Grove Snail | Сераеа | 1 |
| Hairy Snail | Trochulus Hispidus | 1 |
| Hairy White Oldfield Aster | Symphyotrichum Pilosum | 1 |
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Red Maple

The maple is a common symbol of strength and endurance and has been chosen as the national tree of Canada. There are 10 species naturally growing in the country, with at least one in each province.

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| Common Name | Scientific Name | Number Observed |
| Harebell Complex | Campanula Rotundifolia | 3 |
| Hawkweed Oxtongue | Picris Hieracioides | 1 |
| Henbit Deadnettle | Lamium Amplexicaule | 2 |
| Honey Locust | Gleditsia Triacanthos | 1 |
| Hop-Hornbeams | Ostrya | 1 |
| Horse Mushroom | Agaricus Arvensis | 1 |
| Horseweed | Erigeron Canadensis | 2 |
| House Sparrow | Passer Domesticus | 1 |
| Hover Flies | Syrphidae | 1 |
| Hypochaeridinae | Hypochaeridinae | 1 |
| Jagged Ambush Bugs | Phymata | 1 |
| Jointed Rush | Juncus Articulatus | 1 |
| Lance-Leaved Coreopsis | Coreopsis Lanceolata | 1 |
| Large-Leaved Avens | Geum Macrophyllum | 1 |
| Leafminer | Liriomyza Arctii | 1 |
| Little-Leaf Linden | Tilia Cordata | 2 |
| Long-Tailed Aphideater Complex | Eupeodes Americanus | 2 |
| Maples | Acer | 1 |

Red-breasted Nuthatch

The Red-breasted Nuthatch is a small songbird. The adult has blue-grey upperparts with cinnamon underparts, a white throat and face with a black stripe through the eyes, a straight grey bill and a black crown



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| Meadowhawks | Sympetrum | 2 |
| Meadowsweet | Spiraea | 1 |
| Melioides | Melioides | 1 |
| Milky Slug | Deroceras reticulatum | 1 |
| Mock Strawberry | Potentilla Indica | 3 |
| Mulberries | Morus | 1 |
| Mustard Family | Brassicaceae | 1 |
| Nettles | Urtica | 1 |
| New England Aster | Symphyotrichum Novae-Angliae | 3 |
| Nightshades | Solanum | 1 |
| Nitrous Bonnet | Mycena Leptocephala | 1 |
| Nodding Onion | Allium Cernuum | 1 |
| North American Spur-Throated Grasshoppers | Melanoplus | 3 |
| North American Tarnished Plant Bug | Lygus Lineolaris | 2 |
| Northern Arrowwood | Viburnum Recognitum | 3 |
| Northern Bush Honeysuckle | Diervilla lonicera | 1 |
| Northern Red Oak | Quercus Rubra | 3 |
| Norway Maple | Acer Platanoides | 2 |
| Norway Spruce | Picea Abies | 2 |
| Oaks | Quercus | 6 |
| Oblique Streaktail | Allograpta Obliqua | 1 |
| Onions | Allium | 1 |
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| Common Name | Scientific Name | Number Observed |
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| Orbweavers | Araneidae | 1 |
| Oxtongues | Picris | 4 |
| Palm Warbler | Setophaga Palmarum | 1 |
| Panicled Aster | Symphyotrichum Lanceolatum | 2 |
| Paper Birch | Betula Papyrifera | 1 |



Red Mulberry

The berries are edible and sweet. Today, mulberries are eaten raw, used in the fillings of pastries, and fermented into wine. They are also used for marmalades, liquors, natural dyes, and cosmetics.

| Pear Rust | Gymnosporangium Sabinae | 1 |
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| Pillbugs | Armadillidium | 1 |
| Pines | Pinus | 5 |
| Plantains | Plantago | 1 |
| Plants | Plantae | 15 |
| Plume Thistles | Cirsium | 1 |
| Plums, Cherries, And Allies | Prunus | 2 |
| Plums, Cherries, And Allies | Nemobiinae | 2 |
| Poplars, Cottonwoods, And Aspens | Populus | 1 |
| Powdery Mildew | Golovinomyces Asterum | 1 |
| Prickly Sowthistle | Sonchus Asper | 1 |
| Primrose | Primula Vulgaris | 1 |
| Purple Coneflower | Echinacea Purpurea | 2 |
| Red Clover | Trifolium Pratense | 1 |
| Red Columbine | Aquilegia Canadensis | 1 |

Canada Goose

The Canada goose is considered part of the Canadian national identity. In North America, nonmigratory Canada goose populations have been on the rise. The species is frequently found on golf courses, parking lots, and urban parks.



| Red Maple | Acer Rubrum | 1 |
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| Red Pine | Pinus Resinosa | 1 |
| Red-Breasted Nuthatch | Sitta Canadensis | 3 |
| Reddening Lepiota | Leucoagaricus Americanus | 1 |
| Red-Legged Grasshopper | Melanoplus Femurrubrum | 2 |

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| Red-Legged Grasshopper | Melanoplus Femurrubrum | 2 |
| Red Raspberry | Rubus idaeus | 1 |
| Red-Tailed Hawk | Buteo Jamaicensis | 1 |
| Rhopalomyia | Rhopalomyia | 1 |
| Riverbank Grape | Vitis Riparia | 1 |
| Roses | Rosa | 1 |
| Round-backed Millipedes | Juliformia | 1 |
| Ruby-Crowned Kinglet | Corthylio Calendula | 1 |
| Scentless False Mayweed | Tripleurospermum | 1 |
| Scots Pine | Pinus Sylvestris | 3 |
| Shellbark Hickory | Carya Laciniosa | 1 |
| Showy Tick-Trefoil | Desmodium Canadense | 1 |
| Siberian Crabapple | Malus Baccata | 2 |
| Siberian Elm | Ulmus Pumila | 2 |
| Slender Wedgescale | Sphenopholis Intermedia | 1 |
| Slender Wheat Grass | Elymus Trachycaulus | 1 |
| Small White Aster | Symphyotrichum Racemosum | 1 |
| Smooth Blue Aster | Symphyotrichum Laeve | 3 |
| Smooth Sumac | Rhus Glabra | 1 |
| Southern Arrowwood | Viburnum Dentatum | 1 |
| Sow Thistles | Sonchus | 3 |
| Spindles | Euonymus | 1 |
| Spotted Cucumber Beetle | Diabrotica Undecimpunctata | 6 |
| Spotted Lady's Thumb | Persicaria Maculosa | 2 |
| Spotted Orbweaver | Neoscona Crucifera | 1 |
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Sweat bee

Sweat bees are important pollinators for many wildflowers and crops including sunflowers, stone fruits, apples and alfalfa. As their common name suggests, sweat bees are attracted to perspiration.

| Spotted Spurge | Euphorbia Maculata | 1 |
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| Spruces | Picea | 2 |
| Spurges | Euphorbia | 1 |
| Stigmella Rhamnicola | Stigmella Rhamnicola | 1 |
| Stinking Dapperling | Lepiota Cristata | 1 |
| Stonecrop Family | Crassulaceae | 3 |
| Strawberries, Cinquefoils, And Allies | Potentilleae | 1 |
| Striped Cucumber Beetle | Acalymma Vittatum | 2 |
| Sunflowers, Daisies, Asters, And Allies | Asteraceae | 3 |
| Swamp Aster | Symphyotrichum Puniceum | 1 |
| Sweat Bee | Lasioglossum | 2 |
| Switchgrass | Panicum Virgatum | 1 |
| Tall Goldenrod | Solidago Altissima | 2 |
| Therion | Therion | 1 |
| Toadflaxes | Linaria | 4 |

| Common Name | Scientific Name | Number Observed | |
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| True Crickets And Allies | Grylloidea | 1 | |
| Tulip Tree | Liriodendron Tulipifera | 3 | |
| Twenty-Spotted Lady Beetle | Psyllobora Vigintimaculata | 1 | |
| Typical Stone Centipedes | Diplopoda | 2 | |
| Variegated Lady Beetle | Hippodamia variegata | 1 | |
| Velvetleaf | Abutilon theophrasti | 2 | |
| Vetches | Vicia | 4 | |
| Violets | Viola | 1 | |
| Western Conifer Seed Bug | Leptoglossus Occidentalis | 1 | |
| Western Honey Bee | Apis mellifera | 1 | |
| White Ash | Fraxinus Americana | 1 | |
| White Dapperling | Leucoagaricus Leucothites | 1 | |
| White Heath Aster | Symphyotrichum Ericoides | 5 | |
| White Mulberry | Morus Alba | 2 | |
| White Spruce | Picea Glauca | 3 | |
| Wild Carrot | Daucus Carota | 5 | |
| Wild Ryes And Wheatgrasses | Elymus | 2 | |
| Wild Teasel | Dipsacus Fullonum | 1 | |
| Wood Avens | Geum Urbanum | 1 | |
| Wood Ferns | Dryopteris | 1 | |
| Woodland Strawberry | Fragaria Vesca | 1 | |
| Woodsorrels | Oxalis | 4 | |