2024 Robertson Library Virtual Tour Script

Hi, and welcome to the Robertson Library virtual tour.

You can come to the Library to find a quiet place to study, find a computer to work at, check out Library material, or ask for help.

When you enter the library through the Breezeway, to your right you will see the Service Desk. The Service Desk is where you can check out books, laptops or Chromebooks, charging cords, and other equipment. You can also come here to get help with printing and adding money to your UPEI Campus Card account. If you have a question, any question, just ask us here at the Service Desk!

If you need in-depth help with your research, you can schedule a one-on-one appointment with your subject librarian, either in-person or online. You can also e-mail your librarian for research help.

When you walk through the door to the left of the Service Desk, you'll find yourself in the Learning Commons. Along the front wall in the Learning Commons are printers, scanners, and photocopiers. You can scan things here for free, or use your Campus Card to pay for printing and photocopying.

As you continue walking down this way, on your right you'll pass the Current Periodicals, the Reference Section, and Government Documents.

On your left you'll see Windows, iMacs and Mac Mini computers and tables and carrels for studying. You'll notice signage throughout the Library indicating which zone you're in. The green, yellow, and red zones separate people who want to study quietly from those who are doing group work or having a conversation. Make sure you take note of which zones you're entering as you walk through the library. The main Learning Commons area is a yellow zone, or semi-quiet working area, where quiet conversations are expected. Everywhere in the library, you are expected to use headphones when watching videos or listening to music.

If you turn right, you will find the Writing Centre. Staff at the Writing Centre are available for virtual and in-person appointments to help you with your writing, including citation and style questions.

In this area, you'll find the Special Collections area. Special Collections house the PEI Collections, University Archives, and the microform section. To access this material, it is highly recommended that you have an appointment. To book an appointment, contact Simon Lloyd from the Subject Librarians page on our website.

When you walk through the door at the back of the Learning Commons, you'll see that the hallway connects back out to the Service Desk. To your right, is the door to the LINC and the Language Lab. The door on your left is the LINC. This room is locked when it is not being used for a class. The other door leads to the Language Lab. This lab is currently used for Spanish labs. The language lab is open for student use when not booked for a class.

Going back out the way we came in, there's a door to the right which leads to the Collaboratory. You will find computers, CDs, LPs, DVDs, and study space in this area. The computers, software, and other equipment here are set up for work with physical and digital media.

Re-entering the downstairs lobby, there are two gender neutral washrooms, a water filtration system, and an elevator located to your right. Upstairs, in the same location, are gender specific washrooms.

When you walk up the stairs, to your right, you'll see the Reading Room. Once you enter the reading room, to the right is a Computer Lab. You can use the computers in this lab when the room is not booked for a class.

The Reading Room is a large open study space, with tables and carrels for studying. It's a yellow zone, which means you can expect other people to be talking quietly. As you exit the Reading Room, you can head back toward the stairs or into the stacks.

Entering the stacks through this door brings you to the Bound Periodicals. This collection contains older or back issues of academic journals and other periodicals.

However, the vast majority of our journals, newspapers, and magazines are available only in electronic format and can be accessed through our library databases.

Down this hall, are a number of group study rooms. Study rooms are available to students for a 3-hour time slot and are booked online through the Library website. Most group study rooms contain a computer, LCD screen, and a Whiteboard.

At the end of this hallway, you will see the Soundproof Booth, a great space for recording videos, conducting online interviews, or anything else where you don't want any background noise. This room is also booked online.

All along the outside edge of the stacks, you will see yellow study carrels. These carrels are all in red zones, which means these areas are silent.

Discover your favourite study carrel location!

As you round this corner, at the end of the hall, you'll see a few more smaller group study rooms. And then around another corner, you'll see our main book collection on the orange shelves, and the entrance to the Sun Room.

The Sun Room is a silent space, or red zone, and is another open study space on the Upper Level. This room has been noted by many students as a favourite place in the Library to study and is a nice, cozy spot to enjoy the sunlight in winter! On the other side of the Sun Room is the Oversize Collection of books and more study carrels.

As you go farther down this hall, you'll see the bookable single study rooms. These rooms are silent red zones. While they do have doors, the walls don't go all the way to the ceiling, so noise can travel easily from one room to another.

There are more computers and more carrels all along the outside of this area.

It is very easy to get lost in the stacks. The easiest way to the exit, is to find the PR section and then you can locate the exit door. The lights are always on in this aisle which is an indication that this will lead to the exit.

When you leave through this door of the stacks, you will see the Reading Room on the other side of the stairs. To your right are the gender specific washrooms, a water filtration system, and the elevator. To your left is a small study nook with comfortable seating.

Going back down the stairs, you'll see some more comfy chairs and a display about the history of the Mi'kmaq People of Prince Edward Island.

And now you're back in the Main Level lobby!

And, don't forget, if you need help, just Ask Us! We are here for you!