

LIBRARY

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WELCOME TO THE JOHN BASSETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Your home away from home



"The mission of the Bishop's University Library is to provide library resources and services which support the instructional and research programs of the University."

NEED HELP WITH YOUR RESEARCH ?



The Reference Room

The Reference department is here to help you navigate the wealth of information available to you and help you find the important information you are after. The reference room is located to the right of the lobby and is where you will find a reference librarian ready and willing to help you with all of your research needs. Reference librarians, in addition to responding to questions and helping with research, provide many formal instruction sessions that are held throughout the semester for specific groups of users in a field of study or on specific topics. Session dates and times will be advertised. Click: http://www.ubishops.ca/library_info/reference.html to learn more. To learn who the librarian responsible for your department is Click: http://www.ubishops.ca/library_info/selectors.html

Need to find a book?

Everything in the library's collection can be accessed through the online library catalogue, aka BORIS (the Bishop's Online Retrieval Information System). The catalogue can be searched from any computer with Internet access on or off campus. Click:

<http://geoweb.ubishops.ca:8002/WebZ/html/geacnfdblast.html?sessionid=01-59707-435923395>

Public terminals are located at each level of the library. Ask the reference librarians, they'll be happy to help you learn the system and find the books you need.

CIRCULATION and RESERVES



Circulation desk

Once you've found a good book, you may want to take it home. To do so, visit the Circulation Desk located on your left as you are entering the Library. Books and other library materials may be signed out at the Circulation Desk upon presentation of your I.D. card. Materials placed on reserve by Professors are also available here. General circulating items have a loan period of 14 days to undergraduate students and 30 days to graduate students. It is possible to renew general library materials online. Click: http://www.ubishops.ca/library_info/renewals.html to learn more. The number of items that can be signed out is 25. The Library opening hours are posted at the Circulation Desk, outside the main door and our website. Click: http://www.ubishops.ca/library_info/ (on the left hand side of the page).

PERIODICALS



Periodicals lounge

In addition to our books, a great deal of vital information can also be found in periodical publications such as newspapers, magazines and scholarly/academic peer reviewed journals. The Bishop's library has an excellent collection of periodical titles in print and electronic formats. To effectively locate articles on your topic, you must become familiar with periodical indexes. Speak to a reference librarian, they will be happy to help you learn **everything** you need to know about effective use of indexes and databases. The University subscribes to many valuable online research databases which are not available on the free web. Click: http://www.ubishops.ca/library_info/data-index.html to see a list of all the online indexes and databases to which we subscribe.

LAP TOPS

The library has 15 lap tops that students can sign out and use within the library.

INTERLIBRARY LOANS

Materials needed for research and not available at this Library may be borrowed from other libraries through an interlibrary loan (I.L.L.), Click: http://www.ubishops.ca/library_info/colombo-main.html to learn more. The reference librarians can help you through the process of making a request. There is no charge for this service.

COMPUTER LAB

The Cole Computer Centre operates the computer lab on the main level of the Library. There are 26 computers available to Bishop's University students. As well, there are 25 computers in the orientation room (down the hall to the right of the main lobby) and are available to the general student body whenever the room is not in use for classes.

THE OLD LIBRARY



Old library

Located on the second floor of McGreer Hall, the Old Library contains materials pertaining to local history and Canadiana. Available for consultation is an excellent collection of books, maps, pamphlets, photographs, microfilms, genealogical resources and, most importantly, archives. That being said, you do not have to be working on local history to use the old library; if you need a nice space to study, look no further.

Please note: To access the archives of Bishop's University, the Eastern Townships Research Centre or the Anglican Church (Diocese of Quebec) you must contact the respective archivist. Click:

http://www.ubishops.ca/library_info/old-library.html

"I have always imagined that Paradise will be a kind of library"

—Jorge Luis BORGES (1899-1986)



The Library staff would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Bishop's and we hope that your experience with us is a rewarding one. We wish you all the luck in your academic career and would like to remind you that we are committed to your success and thus will do all we can to provide the resources you need to complete your studies.

Sincerely,

The Library Staff