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Dentistry Library

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YEARS 1897–2022



2022 marks the 125th anniversary of the Dentistry Library. The Royal College of Dental Surgeons (the former name of the Faculty of Dentistry) set up a library in 1897 at the former faculty building at 230 College Street. The library was set up with a few key textbooks to support its students, staff, and faculty with their teaching and learning. We moved to our current location at 124 Edward Street in 1959, and over the years, the library has transformed its collections, spaces and services to reflect the changing needs of its users. Today, it includes over 30,000 print items, online journals, ebooks, online medical dictionaries, finding aids, guides, databases and more. All of these can be accessed or discovered on our website. The library is part of the University of Toronto Libraries system, which is the third largest academic library system in North America. It is also the only free-standing and largest dentistry library in Canada. To commemorate this milestone, the following have been organized:

- * [The 125th Anniversary of the Dentistry Library](#): This brief exhibit highlights the people, spaces, services and collections throughout the history of our library,
- * **On Wednesday, October 19th from 10:00 am** we offered buttons and treats to our users to help us celebrate our milestone.
- * Can't visit us in person? Check out our [virtual tour of the space](#) with commentary for you to enjoy.
- * We were featured in the [UofT Dentistry Magazine Summer/Fall 2022](#) page 22.

I would like to thank all the people involved in helping plan the anniversary celebration by offering time, feedback, support, and ideas including: UofT Libraries, Helen He, Mindy Thuna, Larysa Woloszansky, Maureen Morin, Edmund Shalhoub, Allyson Aritcheta, Liza Nikolaenko, Rachel Boutet, Michael Cassabon, Selina Estevez, Roshaan Hajira, James Zhan, Finley Eliasmith and Angela Henshilwood. Thank you to our past employees for their work on the exhibits: Usman Malik, Sadaf Ullah, Annmarie Uleryk. Finally, a big thank you to our current student employees for their effort with their feedback and help with decorations.

Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-Racism at UofT Libraries

As we celebrate our 125th anniversary, I had time to reflect on how library services, collections and space have changed over the years to adapt and support the changing curricula, technologies, research and study needs. Equity, diversity, inclusion and anti-racism are pillars of public services that we hope to respect and abide to as we offer services and open our space to our users. The Dentistry Library, as part of the UofT Libraries system, is committed to create a welcoming environment for all. You can read more about how the UofT Libraries are responding to IDE and anti-racism by following the links below

- “The University of Toronto Libraries is committed to creating a safe, welcoming, and inclusive environment that supports learning, teaching, research and work”. Read of full [IDE statement here](#).
- [Anti-Racism Statement and Action Items](#): “UofT Libraries is re-committing its efforts to identify and address systemic racism and anti-Black racism and racism against those who are Indigenous within our department and library systems”. [Read the full statement](#) and about the various projects that libraries, including the Dentistry Library, are working on to keep this commitment (scroll down and click on UofT Libraries anti-racism actions).
- UofT Libraries honoured [National Day for Truth and Reconciliation](#) this past September 30th by the introduction of the resource [Indian Residential School Survivors’ Stories Database](#). This database brings the multitude of stories from residential school Survivors available online



Fall 2022 Workshop Series

This fall we are bringing back our [Workshop Series](#). Please review the topic, dates and times and register for a workshop by visiting the website or simply emailing me at maria.zych@dentistry.utoronto.ca. Please note beside each workshop if it will be offered online or in-person. We are offering both options this year. If you have a topic in mind that you do not see listed or the times do not work for you, please let us know.

Journal Impact Factors 2021 announced

Clarivate announced its annual Journal Impact Factors for 2021 this past July. Check out how your favourite dental journal scored compared to its peers by visiting [our Current Dental Journal page](#). There are two lists on this page, one alphabetical and the other sorted by IF. Note this year, we have added information on the percentage of Open Access (OA) services for each journal. A reminder that [UofT faculty and researchers](#) can obtain discounts and waivers for OA publishing with specific publishers. These are negotiated by the [UofT Libraries’ Scholarly Communications and Copyright Office](#). If you have any questions, please let us

Faculty of Dentistry Defy Gravity Campaign Video

This past Fall the [Faculty of Dentistry’s Defy Gravity](#) promotional [video](#) was released. You can view our community talk about this important fundraisers and spot our Reading Room in some of the scenes.

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