Library is now open! Welcome back to our physical space

The physical library space has reopened on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 after 18 months of the pandemic closure. Thank you to all of our users for your support and patience as we adjusted our services from in person to online and back to in person again. Here are a few service changes:

- We are following the University of Toronto Libraries’ Health and Safety guidelines
- Our service desk is open for brief questions only
- Some rooms have limited occupancy due to size limitations

Although it’s been a very challenging time for all of us, we do believe that there are many things to be thankful for. In light of this, we are using one of our walls to display gratitude. We invite you to write something that you are grateful for on one of the leaves we prepared for you, and we will add it one of the branches. Thank to those people who already participated!

Video Series

As we welcomed a new cohort of undergraduate students in August, our team was hard at work creating instructional videos that help you navigate our service and website at your own pace, check them out here. There are brief demos on how to use our catalogue, LibrarySearch and how to navigate important links to services and resources that are useful for your projects and assignments. For any feedback on these videos, or if you have any questions, please let us know.

Open Science: Following the RoadMap for Research

During the month of November, the University of Toronto Libraries (UTL), in collaboration with the Centre for Research & Innovation Support (CRIS), will host a weekly series of virtual panel discussions to showcase diverse perspectives on the principles and practice of Open Science. The panelists representing voices from a variety of personal and professional backgrounds, disciplines, and affiliations.

The structure of the panel series will be guided by the 5 principles of open scholarship as outlined in the Government of Canada’s Roadmap for Open Science: People, Transparency, Collaboration, Inclusiveness and Sustainability. Read more and register here.

Fall 2021 Workshops Series

We have a great line up of online workshops during the month of October and November. These are open to Dentistry students, staff and faculty. If you cannot make it to one of these workshops, please email us and we will be happy to schedule a one-on-one consultation for the topic of your choice.
Manage your Syllabus’ Required Readings using Library App

To help our instructors to simply manage syllabus reading lists and our students to easily access course reading lists in Quercus, we are now using a new application “The Library Reading List” for Course Directors. This app streamlines access to a wide variety of resources available at UofT. It combines articles, streaming media, digitized content, physical materials, and more, into a list, for single point access. On the left is an example of what it looks like.

We have added required textbooks for most of the DDS courses in the “Library Reading List” app. The course director can make this information visible to students in their course’s side navigation bar by following these steps:

1. In your course menu, click "Settings" (at the bottom) and then click on the "Navigation" tab.
2. Click on and drag "Library Reading List" up from the list of hidden navigation items to the list of visible navigation items in the top half of this list.
3. Place it where you would like it to appear in the course menu and save your change.

Faculty may submit their new or updated reading lists at any time by emailing their syllabus with full citations to syllabus.service@library.utoronto.ca or library.dentistry@utoronto.ca. Interested in learning more? Please watch this short video. In addition, here is the guide for both instructors and students about how to use this tool.

New in Databases and Resources

- TRIP Pro - Evidence based tool: View a video created by one of our staff that outlines the benefits of using the subscribed version of TRIP to find more high quality clinical research evidence.

- Indigenous Health Resources Libguide

The Gerstein Science Information Centre in collaboration with the OISE Library at UofT, have created a LibGuide on finding primary and secondary sources for Indigenous Health. The guides includes links to data, reports, as well as COVID19 resources for Indigenous communities. We hope this resource is useful to those participating in Indigenous research.

- OVID SP New My Searches and Saved Alerts interface

If you are a long time OVID SP user, you will have noticed an improved My Searches and Alerts interface in recent days. This interface is improved from the previous version with hyperlinked Search Names and a more accessible layout.

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