

Self-Guided Tour of the OISE Library - Script

CONCOURSE LEVEL

Welcome to the OISE Library Concourse Level. You should now be on the lower level of the library, having just exited the central elevator or walked down the stairs.

Behind the stairs case, you'll find two photocopiers, where you can use your TCard to make copies. One of the machines also accepts coins! In this area there is also a change machine and a cash-to-card machine where you can add money to your TCard.

NOTE: If you already have a TCard, press the green button on the right to add money to your card. If you don't have a TCard, you can purchase a visitor card for \$5.00 or borrow the one at the Reference Desk to use for the copiers or the printers. Be warned that if you accidentally purchase a \$5.00 visitor card, we can't refund the cost of the purchase to you!

On this level you will also find older issues of print journals. Journals are shelved alphabetically by title starting with A just behind the stairs.

You might want to pause the tour now and spend a few minutes exploring some of our 2,000 plus journal titles!

Like the current issues upstairs, the journals on the Concourse Level don't circulate outside the library, but you are welcome to read them here and photocopy articles of interest.

Another great reason to come down to the Concourse Level is to use one of our 4 Concourse Level group study rooms. The Concourse Level study rooms are located on the east side of the floor. To find them, head out from behind the stairs and walk south past the two tables on your left. You will find the study rooms along the far left wall.

These study rooms are available to *all* members of the University of Toronto community (including students, staff, faculty, alumni, and visiting scholars). These study rooms are available to groups of 3 – 6 people. You can get a key for a group study room in exchange for 3 TCards at the Circulation Desk on the ground floor.

There are additional study spaces, including four group study rooms, available on the Mezzanine Level of the Library. Let's go take a look at those now.

On your way back to the central elevator, please note that there is an emergency intercom button located on the far south column in the centre aisle. Push this button if you need assistance exiting the building during an emergency. It connects directly to building operations.

Now you should be back at the elevator. Once you're inside, press "M" for the Mezzanine Level. You may want to pause the tour while you head up to the Mezzanine Level.