



MAXWELL MACODRUM LIBRARY

THE HEART OF CARLETON UNIVERSITY

Carleton University's MacOdrum Library is an integral resource and meeting place for students, researchers and community members. Its books, electronic journals, archival materials, maps and online databases propel in-depth and meaningful scholarship. The library has recently undergone a major expansion and renovation. This project was funded with \$16 million from the government of Ontario and \$11 million from the university. Highlights of the renovated library include:

- two floors and 74,000 square feet added
- 1,000 new individual study seats (doubling the previous number)
- 28 new study rooms
- 3 new classrooms
- expanded Archives and Research Collections
- 9 new reading rooms
- Discovery Centre (pictured right) outfitted with innovative workspaces and high-tech equipment for undergraduate study
- a gaming room and digital media laboratory
- expanded New Sun Joy Maclaren Centre for students with disabilities



PRIORITY FUNDRAISING PROJECTS

At a time when funding for libraries across Canada and in other countries is being severely limited, Carleton is committing resources and making the case for investment. We believe libraries are essential to the student experience and the health of the community, as well as an area of growing philanthropic importance and a leadership opportunity for donors.

Our fundraising projects help: 1. Create Knowledge; 2. Foster Collaboration; and 3. Connect to the Community.

Grow our collections

The library's collections fund is used to acquire new books and materials as well as ensure ongoing access to e-journals and other online resources. Students and faculty members depend on these collections to complete their assignments, work on their theses and carry out new research.

Last year, gifts to the collections fund helped make hundreds of titles available. Continued support is essential to the library's ability to purchase new books and maintain electronic licenses to some of the library's most important resources.

Enhance the student experience

Collaboration is increasingly common in an academic setting. This is particularly true in a university such as Carleton where many professional programs such as architecture, journalism and engineering demand intensely collaborative student work—both within their own discipline, as well as with students and researchers from other disciplines.

Students have long relied on the library as a space for social and academic collaboration. Donor support helps make innovative learning spaces such as the Discovery Centre, group study rooms, and multimedia and conferencing technology available to students.

Increase access and preservation

Digitization and enhanced access to collections are two important issues all libraries face. Today's students and researchers demand round-the-clock access to information, and scholars from around the world often request access to our unique resources.

Donor support helps us digitize our current and future collections, build our virtual library, and can allow us to extend our hours of operation on campus.

THANK YOU

MacOdrum Library provides students with vital knowledge and skills. It offers a wealth of resources to professors conducting specialized research and to community members engaged in life-long learning. With your support we will continue to grow and succeed.

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About Carleton University

In 1942, Carleton University was established through a community movement to provide learning opportunities for veterans and wartime workers. Today, Carleton is one of the most comprehensive and diverse educational institutions in Canada, and is home to more than 27,000 full- and part-time students. Carleton offers outstanding undergraduate and graduate programs.

MacOdrum Library Mission

We promote excellence at Carleton University by collecting, preserving and providing access to information resources and services for our teaching, learning, research and administrative communities, wherever they are located.

Commitment to community

Carleton prides itself in being a meeting place for students, faculty, staff, alumni and the Ottawa public. You can access MacOdrum Library with a city of Ottawa library card.

Subject specialists

Twenty-six librarians and almost a dozen subject specialists are available to offer specialized research support on Aboriginal studies, human rights, aerospace engineering and other areas.

Archives and Research Collections (ARC)

Home to historically important materials related to architecture and heritage conservation, Canadian music, Canadian-USSR relations, and modern poetry, among other collections.

Our priorities

1. Create Knowledge
2. Foster Collaboration
3. Connect to the Community

New Sun Joy Maclaren Centre

Supports the educational needs of students with disabilities, providing large screen monitors, height-adjustable computer tables, a voice recognition system, screen reading software and a scanner.

Did you know?

The library is named to honour Carleton's second president, Maxwell MacOdrum.



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