Library Annual Report 2011-2012

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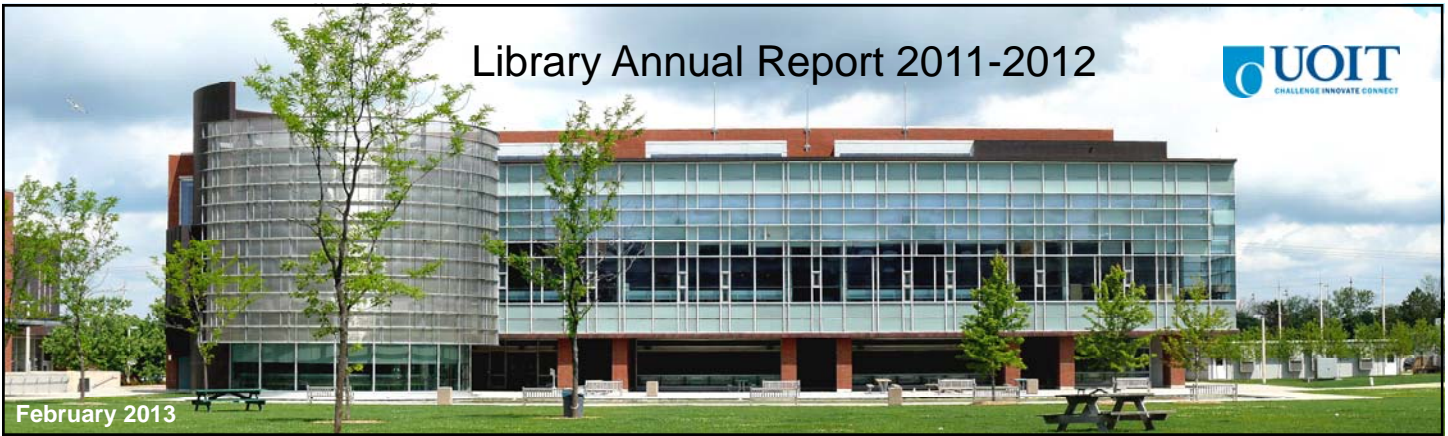
February 2013

By the numbers...	2011-12
Public Services	
Number of Library Instruction Classes	75
Number of UOIT Students in Library Instruction Classes	3,780
Reference -Transactions	12,814
Circulation - Initial Loans + Renewals	25,598
Reserve - Loans	8,546
Interlibrary Loan - Requests from other libraries filled	618
Interlibrary Loan - Requests to other libraries filled	1380
Print Collection	
UOIT Print Volumes	60,896
Digital Resources	
Number of E-journals	75,572
Number of Electronic Serial Titles - Included in aggregator packages	133,775
Number of E-books	550,712
Number of streaming videos	13,317
Activity	
Annual Gate Count - North Oshawa/Education/Social	533,305
Hours Open Per Week	94

In 2011-12 fiscal year UOIT statistics reported only . Previous year's totals included Durham College numbers with the exception of electronic resources..

Year in review

Highlights of the past year:

⇒ Increased the number of digital resources to 550,712 e-books, 75,572 e-journals, 133,775 electronic serial titles, and 13,312 streaming videos;

⇒ Added 7,500 new UOIT print books and other physical items to the collection;

⇒ Conducted instructional classes for over 3,780 UOIT students;

⇒ Library visits rose from 461,975 in 2010-11 to 533,305 in 2011-12;

⇒ Developed library strategic plans to further enhance service delivery to campus community;

⇒ Enhanced online presence and accessibility through use of YouTube, Twitter, QR Codes, Google Books Digital Bookshelf and Pinterest, etc.;

⇒ Increased access to over 13,300 streaming videos;

⇒ Acquired archival collections from the Engineering Institute of Canada, Canadian Society of Civil Engineering, Canadian Society of Mechanical Engineering and other engineering bodies*;*

⇒ Supervised field placements and internships for library science, public relations, and marketing students;

⇒ Offered extended hours for the April and December exam periods.

# Year in review

New Electronic Additions

The Library continually monitors new course and program offerings as well as changes to existing curricula to determine what digital media to make available to UOIT faculty, staff and students. Amongst the Library's new electronic additions for 2011-12 were:

Access Engineering:

Over three hundred e-books from fourteen engineering and related fields.
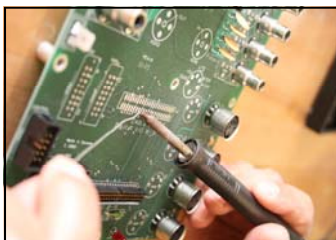
JOVE (Journal of Visualized Experiments) General, Immunology and Infection, Neuroscience:
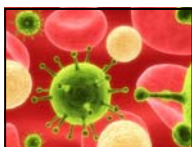
A package of three journals that offer video articles that demonstrate experiments as well as providing discussions and critiques.

SportDiscus with Full Text

Sports and sports medicine journal articles, books, and conference proceedings.


One of the key business databases, **ABI Inform** was also upgraded to the COMPLETE version to offer even more full text journals, reports and company publications.

Similarly, the Library's subscription to **CINAHL (Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature)**, a key health science database was upgraded to offer an additional 770 full text journals and 300 e-books.
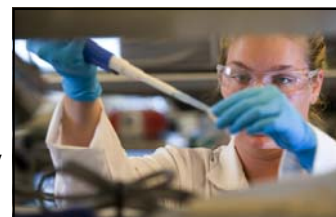
While the print volume is still exceedingly important, it is understood that today's students are apt to visit their Library virtually before they step foot in the door; making a first impression with a strong electronic collection is crucial .
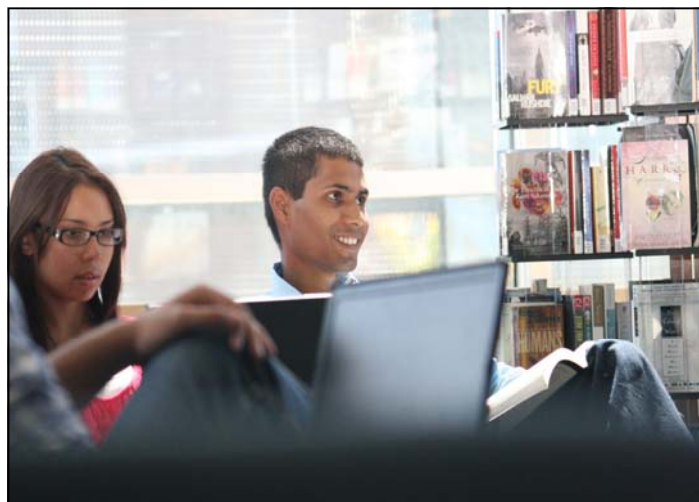
Carol Mittlestead

Associate Librarian for Collections

"It is a wonderful thing doing research, from research comes understanding, from understanding past research comes new applications and uses. It is not a luxury but a great investment in our future."

George A. Olah, 1994 Nobel Laureate in Chemistry, Founding Director of the USC Loker Hydrocarbon Research Institute.

Year in review

LIbGuides

Finding full text resources in today's complex information landscape can present challenges for students — especially for those who are just starting out in their chosen program and aren't yet familiar with the literature in their field. To simplify the search Library staff rolled out a new series of e-learning resource tools using LibGuides software.

LibGuides has replaced the older text-based subject guides. This software enables production of customised web pages with content in a wide range of formats, including multimedia, chat, and Web 2.0 features.
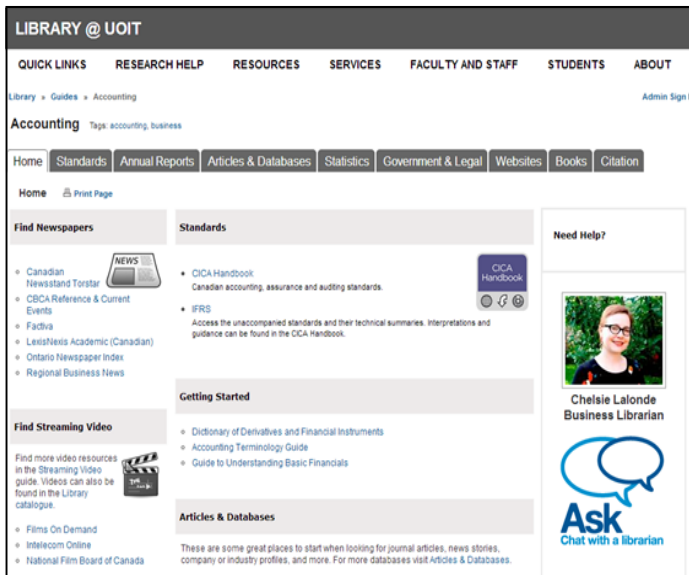

The content-rich system provides new e-resources for the Library website including guides for general information, locating data sources, using streaming media, citing sources and avoiding plagiarism, as well as other aspects of information.

The system experienced tremendous growth in the fiscal cycle: 71 guides were created which were viewed 108,710 times.

Access Services

Campus Library locations continue to be very popular places for students, faculty, and staff.

The chart below illustrates the growth in the number of annual visits to the Libraries. Between 2005/06 and 2011/12 there has been an 123% increase in traffic!
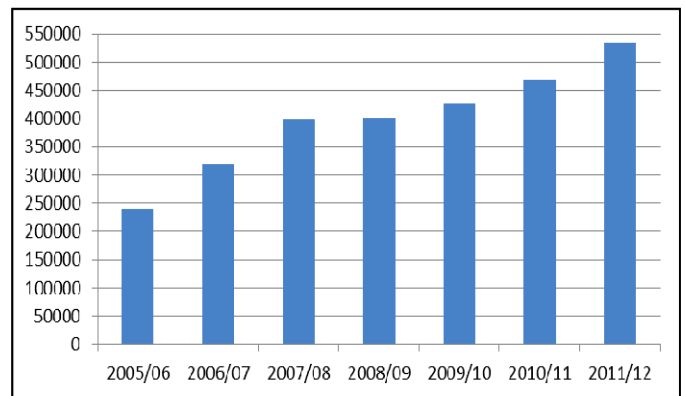

In 2011/12 the entire circulating collection at the North Oshawa Library location was reorganized to make it more accessible to patrons. Similar attention is paid to collection access at Education and Social Sciences libraries.

Total UOIT Circulation Transactions
34,145

Access Services department also ensures patrons have space and seating conducive to studying in the library. Monthly building census activities help to determine how best to meet the needs of the students, faculty, and staff using the library. In 2011/12 we continued to replace the less popular arm chair seating with highly coveted single study desk space.
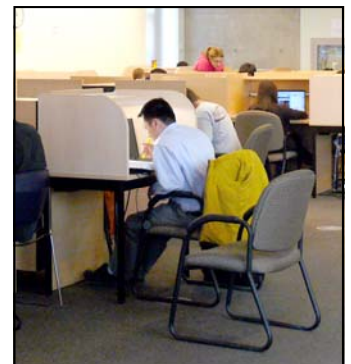
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Group Study Rooms

The North Oshawa Library has 10 group study rooms which are immensely popular. This year usage by UOIT students totalled 16,351 hours.

"...the library folks are so helpful. What more could you want?'
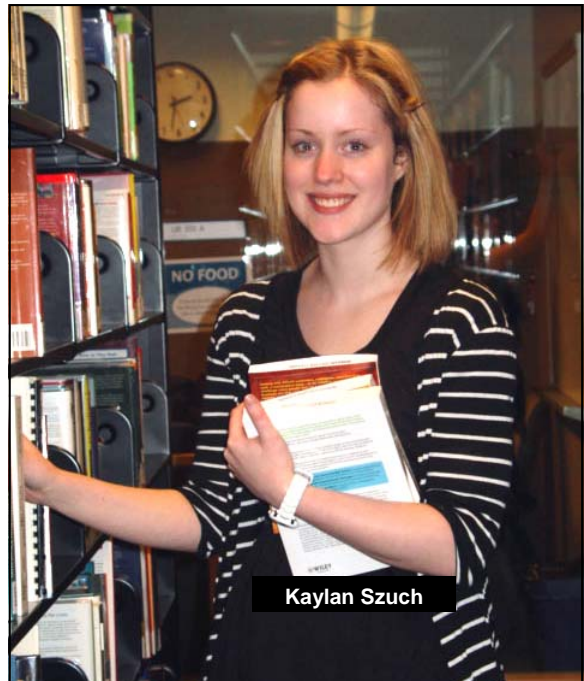
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Celebrating Library Student Workers!

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