

Research Skills

Individual Assistance



Individual assistance is available in the Hub (2nd floor Scott Library) with librarians, experts at helping you navigate the YU Libraries' resources.

Quick drop-in research assistance is available at the Research Instruction Drop-In Desk.:

Monday - Thursday	9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday	12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Book a 30-minute appointment with a librarian for in-depth instruction. **Monday - Friday 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

Complete online form at
http://www.library.yorku.ca/consultation/request_form.php



Visit the **Information Desk** at Scott Library for help setting up university computer accounts, locating materials in the Libraries' collections, directions to places or services on campus, or information on library services, policies & procedures.

TEL: 416-736-5150

Ask-a-Librarian Chat Reference is an ideal way to get live, immediate research assistance when you are off-campus. Look for the Chat Reference link under the Need Help? Tab on the library web site.

Starting Monday, September 12 **

Monday - Thursday	11 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Friday, Saturday & Sunday	11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

****On Reduced hours in the first two weeks.**

York University Libraries have partnered with academic support services on campus to provide you with a variety of professional services and workshops to support your learning needs all in one place - the Scott Library Learning Commons.

Come to the Learning Commons (2nd Floor, Scott Library) for individual research assistance from librarians, one-on-one writing assistance from writing instructors, and one-on-one assistance with learning skills counselors. The Learning Commons also offer a variety of workshops on writing, research and learning skills.



September 2011



**Learning, Writing and Research Skills
in Scott Library**



- **Doing research?**
- **Writing essays?**
- **Organizing notes?**
- **Need help?**

Welcome to the Learning Commons!

http://www.library.yorku.ca/learning_commons/

Writing Skills

York University's Writing Department Offers group workshops on essay-writing, reading, editing and preparing research papers. Attend one workshop or the entire series!

Workshop Location: 1st Floor Scott Library, SMIL

****Pre-register in person at S329 Ross Required****

Fall Workshops to be scheduled.



Drop-in Help

Available from September 26.

Meet one-on-one with a writing instructor for help with:

- Beginning an assignment
- Forming a thesis statement
- Developing an outline
- Formatting the essay



HOURS

Monday to Friday	1:30 - 3:20 p.m.
Saturday	1:00 - 2:50 p.m.

Scott Library, 2nd Floor

NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

Learning Skills

Learning Skills are about “learning how to learn” and improving your effectiveness and efficiency at studying, completing assignments and mastering course work. At the Learning Commons, regular Learning Skills workshops on Time Management, Reading and Note-Taking, and Exam Preparation are offered.

Workshop Location: 1st Floor Scott Library, SMIL

Time Management	Thursday, Sept. 15, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Friday, Sept 30, 11:00 a.m. - 12 noon
Reading & Note-taking	Monday, Sept. 19, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Study Secrets	Tuesday, Sept. 13, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Thursday, Sept. 22, 11:00 a.m. - 12 noon

Workshop Registration recommended:

416-736-5297 <http://www.yorku.ca/cds/lss/calender/index.html>

Drop-in Help

Available from Tuesday, September 13, 2011

Tuesday	1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Thursday	1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Meet one-on-one with a Learning Skills Counsellor for help with:

- Organizing your time and workload
- Improving reading and note-taking skills
- Studying “smarter” for tests/exams
- Increasing your high-level, critical thinking skills

Scott Library, 2nd Floor

NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

You are also welcome to arrange a more in-depth private consultation with a Learning Skills Counsellor at the Learning Skills Services main office in Bennett Centre N110 (for an appointment, call 416-736-5297). For more information, visit the Learning Skills website at www.yorku.ca/cds/lss.

Career Skills Workshops

Workshop Location: 1st Floor Scott Library, SMIL

“Getting Started: What can I do with my degree?”

Are you wondering how your degree may relate to your career direction? This introductory workshop will help you to learn how the skills you are developing in your degree and the experiences you are gaining at York and in your personal life will help to build a foundation for your future. The workshop will provide you with an introduction to the career exploration process and will assist you in identifying resources for exploring careers.

“	Mon. September 12	10:00 - 11:30 am
	Wed. November 2	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
	Wed. December 14	2:00 - 3:30 pm

“Persuasive Personal Statement Writing”

Writing an effective personal statement can be the most challenging aspect of your application to a post-graduate program.

- Learn how to create an application package that makes an impact on a selection committee for any program.
- Get started writing your own personal statement.

Fri. September 9	10 a.m. - 12 noon
Wed. October 5	10 a.m. - 12 noon
Fri. November 4	10 a.m. - 12 noon

Workshop registration recommended:

<http://www.yorku.ca/careers/onlinesystem>