



LIBRARY LEARNING COMMONS

# Welcome to GBC Libraries

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## About Us

The Library Learning Commons (LLC) is here to support you in your success at George Brown College.

At the library you will find the resources you need to deepen your learning and level up your skills, along with the technology and software to help you connect and explore.

Our welcoming and inclusive spaces cater to diverse learning needs and our friendly and knowledgeable staff are available to help you make the most of everything we have to offer.

Find us online at <https://www.georgebrown.ca/library-learning-commons>.





## The library has a wide range of services, technologies, resources and spaces for George Brown students to access on campus and from home.

Whether you need help tracking down articles for your essay, a quiet place to study, a laptop for the day, specialized software, or a copy of a library book in an accessible format — we're here to help.



### THROUGH THE LIBRARY, YOU'LL HAVE ACCESS TO:

#### Learning resources & research help

- Research guides and video tutorials
- One-on-one research help
- Academic resources online (articles, eBooks, etc.)
- Circulating collections (books, magazines & more)
- Course reserves in-library

#### Technology, software, and help with logins & digital ID

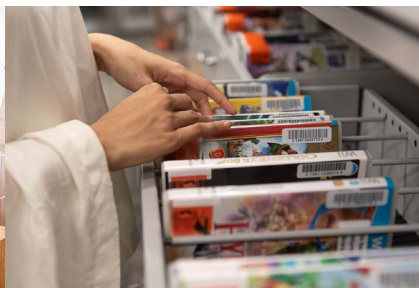
- Laptops, iPads, and other tech loans
- Office365 and other software
- Digital Student ID support and general tech help

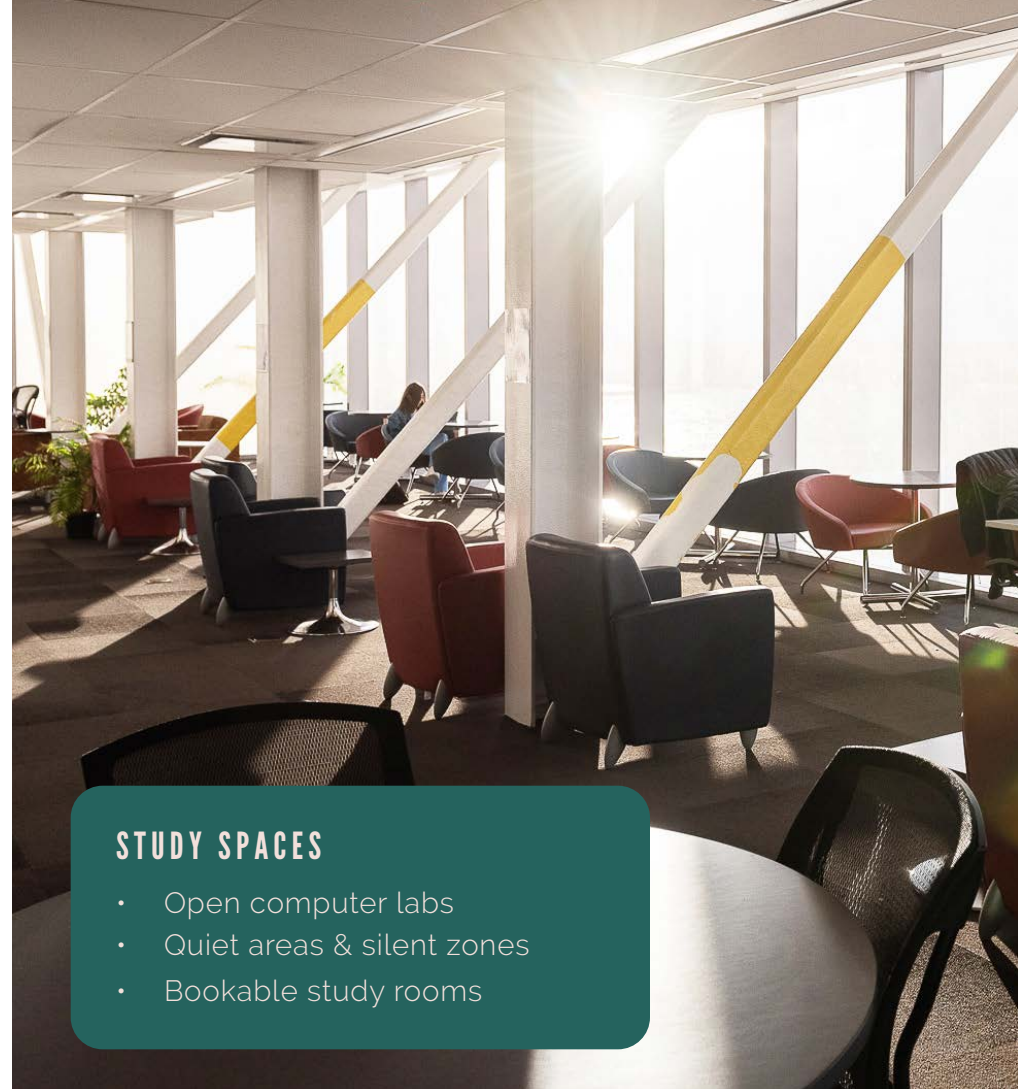
#### On-campus computers, maker labs, and study spaces

- Computer labs and remote computer access
- 3D printing and VR labs
- Colour printing and photocopying
- Study space, including open lounges, silent zones, bookable rooms for solo study & collaboration.
- Adaptive technology labs

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

Due to COVID-19, access to physical resources and library spaces may be subject to change. Please [check our website](#) or [Contact Us](#) for the latest updates.





# Locations

You can visit the Library Learning Commons (LLC) at each of the three main campuses plus several satellite locations. Each location has resources targeted to the programs at that campus along with computer access, printing and photocopying, and spaces for you to study and collaborate.

Select locations also offer VR labs, 3D printing, large format printing, and backlit drafting tables. Adaptive technology labs are available at all three main campus locations.

**STUDY SPACES**

- Open computer labs
- Quiet areas & silent zones
- Bookable study rooms

## ST. JAMES LLC

200 King St. East  
St. James Campus  
Building A,  
1st Floor, Room 121, and  
Basement, Room B137  
Toronto, ON  
M5A 3W8

## CASA LOMA LLC

160 Kendal Ave  
Casa Loma Campus  
Building C,  
3rd Floor, Room C330  
Toronto, ON  
M5R 1M3

## WATERFRONT LLC

51 Dockside Drive,  
Waterfront Campus  
Daphne Cockwell Centre  
for Health Sciences,  
6th Floor, Room 618  
Toronto, ON  
M5A 0B6

[VIEW FULL INFO & HOURS FOR ALL LIBRARY LOCATIONS.](#)



# Set Yourself Up

**Starting out at GBC? Create and validate your student ID and activate your email.**

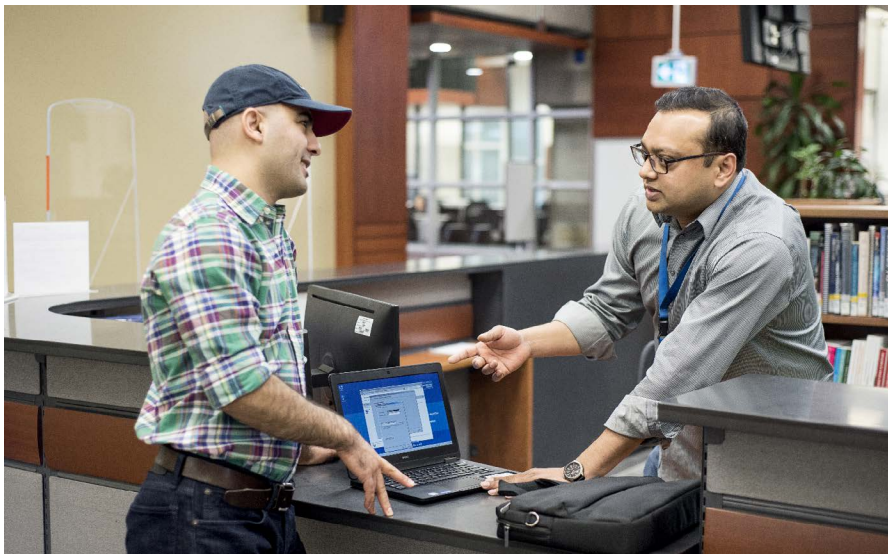
## STUDENT ID

The Digital Student ID is available to all full-time and part-time students. To get started, follow the instructions on [How to Create Your Student ID Online](#). You'll have access to your Student ID through the George Brown College app on your mobile device (visit the college's [Mobile Apps](#) webpage for more information about the GBC app).

## GBC EMAIL

Use our [Student Email Support](#) page to set up your new GBC email address, forward it to a personal email address, and get access your inbox on your mobile device.

If you get stuck setting up your ID or email, visit your nearest LLC or give us a call for assistance.



## REMOTE COMPUTER ACCESS

If you need certain software to complete your coursework but your own device is either not powerful enough or incompatible with AppsAnywhere (see next page), then [Remote Access to LLC Computers](#) may be an option. This service allows you to use software on library computers from home.

Talk to your instructor to find out if your course is eligible for Remote Computer Access.

## NO WI-FI? NEED A LAPTOP?

We have PC and Mac laptops and tablets you can borrow for the week or day, and seamlessly pick up where you left off at home through your student OneDrive account.

A limited number of portable Wi-Fi devices are available to borrow if you're traveling within Canada or need to bridge a gap in your home Internet service.



# Software & Technology

## MICROSOFT OFFICE 365

As a GBC student you have free access to Microsoft Office 365, a toolset for creating, editing and sharing documents and other files. Visit the college site for [Office 365 & OneDrive](#) for more details and instructions on how to sign in.

## APPSANYWHERE

[AppsAnywhere](#) is a free service that allows you to access specialized software on-demand from your computer — all you need is an internet connection.



## VIRTUAL REALITY LABS

Both Casa Loma and Waterfront campuses have Virtual Reality (VR) labs to aid you in program specific studies. These labs are set up to give you the full VR experiences to use for program related studying.

## NEED TECH HELP? WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED.

The staff at our Circulation and Computer Assistance desks can help you with everything to do with college technology.

Whether you're setting up your digital student ID or GBC email on your phone, having trouble resetting your password, connecting to web printing, or loading your laptop with the right software for your program — we can help.



# Learning Resources

**We have hundreds of resources online and in-library to help you build your skills, expand your knowledge and ace your assignments.**



## RESOURCES IN-LIBRARY

At library locations you can access circulating resources including books and magazines, along with program-specific items including dental models, video games and sewing patterns. Tech loans like laptops and iPads are also available in-library for short-term loan, along with textbooks and other course reserve items.

## ACADEMIC RESOURCES ONLINE

Online resources include academic articles, newspapers, magazines, eBooks, market research reports, case studies, statistics — and more. You can access all of our online resources from home with your GBC student login.

Use the search box on the library homepage to get started, or [browse our list of databases from A-Z](#).

## VIDEO STREAMING

Through our [video streaming databases](#) you can access documentaries, feature films, and educational content like the Mosby's Nursing Skills series.

## LINKEDIN LEARNING

As a George Brown student, you have access to self-directed courses on topics such as event marketing, web design, project management and Photoshop through LinkedIn Learning (formerly Lynda).

[Go to the GBC log-in page to access LinkedIn Learning with your student credentials.](#)





# Research Help

We know that navigating the library and finding your way through the research process can be overwhelming — which is why we don't expect you to figure it out alone. Research help is available from the library in a number of different ways so you can find the kind of support that's best for you.

## RESEARCH GUIDES

[Research guides](#) are created by librarians to connect you to the resources and search strategies that work best for your subject area. These guides provide valuable research assistance and are always available.

## VIDEO TUTORIALS

[Our collection of short video tutorials](#) can show you how to search the library online for academic journals, ebooks, and subject-specific databases. Watch and follow along for tips on how to become an expert at finding the resources you need.

## ASKON

Connect with a live operator through chat or text message to ask research-related questions using [the askON service](#). This service will connect you with a library expert, so please do not hesitate to reach out.

## LIAISON LIBRARIANS

Did you know that your program has a dedicated liaison librarian? Librarians are available for one-on-one discussions to help you with your research. [Find your program's liaison librarian](#) and reach out to them by email to set up an appointment.



# CONTACT US

## WE'RE HERE TO HELP YOU!

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### PHONE

+1 416-415-5000 x 8255

For general inquiries and tech help.

(Please note that research help is not available at this phone line.)

### EMAIL & FAQs

<https://libraryhelp.georgebrown.ca/>

### ASKON RESEARCH HELP (CHAT/TEXT)

Get research help and answers to library-related questions from home through instant messaging chat or text message.

<https://www.georgebrown.ca/library-learning-commons/research-support>



## Even more from the Library...

Keep up with events and library news at [bit.ly/gbclibraryevents](http://bit.ly/gbclibraryevents)



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