

INFORUM NEWS DECEMBER 2016

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AFTER HOURS BEST PRACTICES

For your personal security, only currently registered iSchool students, staff and faculty members are authorized to be in the Inforum space after hours. Here are best practices if you are staying in the Inforum after hours:

- Always keep your fob with you
- Close doors firmly behind you when entering and exiting. Doors will “click” when properly closed.
Also:
 - Do not prop doors open
 - Do not permit other people to enter with you
 - Do not invite family, friends, or non-iSchool people into the Inforum space after hours
- Return books to the after-hours book drop, located in the lobby of the 4th floor
- Do not return laptops or other Tech Loan devices to the information desk when it is not staffed. Secured return lockers are coming soon.
- Clean and tidy up after yourself, especially if you bring food or drinks into the space.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Call 911 for EMS, Toronto Fire Services, or Toronto Police Services

Call Campus Police at (416) 978-2222

If you don't have a phone, use the emergency phone that is located at the Inforum information desk. This emergency phone is connected to the Telephone Emergency Locations System, so that calls placed to Campus Police are automatically traced to the Inforum.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE INFORUM

- Wednesday Dec. 7** End-of-Term iTea, 4 p.m.– 6 p.m. 4th floor.
Set up will begin at 3 p.m.
- Thursday Dec. 8** INF2158 Practicum Exhibition, 4 p.m.– 6:30 p.m.
4th floor. Set up will begin at 3 p.m.
- Thursday Dec. 15** 4th floor will be closed for a private event starting at 7 p.m.
- Saturday Dec. 17** 4th floor will be closed for Guerrilla Archiving:
Environmental Data from Trump

For those who were planning to study in the Inforum, please note that during the set-up and throughout the event, the Inforum will not be a quiet space. We apologize for any inconvenience.



UPCOMING HOLIDAY CLOSURE

The Inforum's regular hours of opening for the Fall term ends on Friday, December 16.

From Saturday, December 17, 2016 until Sunday, January 8, 2017, we will be running shorter intersession hours:

Sat. Dec. 17 & Sun. Dec. 18 CLOSED

Mon. Dec. 19–Tues. Dec. 20 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Dec. 21, 2016–Jan. 1, 2017 CLOSED – NO FOB ACCESS TO THE INFORUM

Mon. Jan. 2–Friday Jan. 6 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Sat. Jan. 7 & Sun. Jan. 8 CLOSED

Regular hours resume on January 9. <http://uoft.me/inforum-hours>

After hours access to the Inforum from Dec. 13–Dec.20

If you want to continue having after-hours access during the last week that the Inforum is open, you must refresh your fob *before Wednesday, December 14*.

Starting on Wednesday, December 14, any fobs that are refreshed at the hotspot will lose after-hours access to the Inforum. After-hours access will be restored during the week of Monday, January 2, 2017.

Take a device home for the holidays

Starting on Friday, December 16, iSchool students can borrow an Inforum laptop, tablet, or another Tech Loan device for the winter break. (See <http://uoft.me/techloans> for a list of equipment.) Devices are available on a first come, first served basis, and are due back on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 8:45 a.m. Please return devices to an Inforum staff member at our information desk.

Take a Course Reserve book home for the holidays

On Tuesday, December 20, iSchool students can borrow an Inforum Course Reserve book for the winter break. Books are available on a first come, first served basis, and are due back on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 8:45 a.m. Please return books to an Inforum staff member at our information desk.

iRelax: Mindfulness Resource Area

Final stretch of the semester got you like “Whoa?!” If so, then come take advantage of iRelax, a secular mindfulness resource area located on the 4th floor of the Inforum just past the stacks, as empirical evidence shows mindfulness practices positively impact students who need to de-stress and increase focus.

Not sure where to get started with mindfulness? Then one of the mindfulness books available on the iRelax shelves or the preloaded iPods for loan at the Inforum info desk that are loaded with guided meditations and yoga sequences can provide a foundation.

iRelax offers yoga mats, blocks, meditation cushions, and print resources on a first-come first-serve basis for use throughout the Inforum.



Winter 2017 iSkills workshops

Registration for Winter 2017 iSkills workshops will open on January 11, 2017. An email with full details will be sent to you the week of January 9th. To see what is currently on the workshop roster visit,

<http://uoft.me/iSkillsWinter2017>

As highlighted in workshop reminder emails and on the website, *students are required to withdraw at least 24 hours* in advance of the workshop to ensure wait-listed students have enough time to take your spot. For those who do not withdraw at least 24 hours in advance, there will be a \$5 penalty charged to your library card. To avoid this charge it is important to withdraw from workshops you can't attend using <http://uoft.me/withdraw>

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