British Columbia Institute of Technology

British Columbia Institute of Technology builds pathways for career success in the global marketplace through teaching excellence and applied education and research. Full-time, part-time, distance and online programs are offered in business and media, computer and information systems, engineering, applied and natural sciences, health sciences and trades, vocational and apprenticeship, with an emphasis on innovative, collaborative instruction. Students can earn certificates, diplomas and bachelor’s degrees. Applied research, strong ties with industry and international partnerships provide graduates with career advantages.

THE BCIT LIBRARY

Libraries with resources to support BCIT programs are located at the Burnaby, Aerospace and Marine campuses. Delivery of library materials is available between campuses, and to all BCIT locations, as well as to individual distance learners.

Online access to the library catalogue via the web, full text article databases, and telephone and email access to reference and research assistance are available to all members of the BCIT community.

The Burnaby Campus Library is home to the:

> Learning Commons
> BCIT ID card office
> ehPod computer lab (eh = extended hours) - now open 24 hours
> MediaWorks
> BCIT Archives and Special Collections
> Copyright, FOIPOP and Records Management Office
> Writing Centre

Peer tutoring in the Learning Commons.

Group study area on the third floor.
**LIBRARY ACTIVITY 2009/10**
- Circulation: 96,177
- Interlibrary Loans (lending): 893
- Interlibrary Loans (borrowing): 1,104
- Reference Questions: 13,474
- Research Skills - Classes: 180; Students taught: 3,398
- Study Room Bookings: 14,554
- Laptop bookings: 1,920
- BCIT ID cards issued: 13,279
- Visitors: 674,001

**LEARNING COMMONS ACTIVITY 2009/10**
- Seminars: 19 seminars
- Peer Tutoring Sessions: 158 sessions; 2,433 student visits
- Conversation Groups: 62 sessions; 229 student visits

**COLLECTION SIZE AS AT OCTOBER 2010**
- Print book titles: 161,541
- DVDs and Videos: 9,693
- Print Journal Subscriptions: 443
- Electronic Books: 20,636
- Electronic Journals: 22,858

**LIBRARY & RELATED SERVICES BUDGET (2009/10)**
- Operating: $3,087,900
- Collections: $663,117

**STAFFING**
- Total staff: 33.32
- Professional Librarians: 10.36
- Managers: 2.5

**FACILITIES**

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*ehPod open 24/7, Sept.-May

**PROFESSIONAL LIBRARY SERVICES**

**Collection development**
Evaluation and selection of current information resources to support BCIT’s curriculum.

**Research Assistance**
Provided in person, by phone, email or live chat through the Provincial Askaway service.

**Information Literacy Instruction**
Customized research skills classes for specific programs.

**Liaison with Academic Departments**
Subject specialist librarians dedicated to specific programs.

**LEARNING COMMONS ACTIVITIES**

**Peer Tutoring**
Free, drop-in study sessions with high achieving students six times per week during term.

**Seminars**
For students on study skills, research techniques and job search.

**English Conversation Groups**
Informal groups led by peer tutors designed to assist ESL students in improving conversation skills.

**Writing Centre**
Free one-to-one writing support services. Also assists in areas such as ESL and citation.

**LIBRARY LENDING SERVICES**

**Media Previews & Bookings**
DVDs & videos for borrowing and classroom viewing.

**BCIT ID cards**
Issued to all eligible full-time and part-time students.

**Checkouts, holds and renewals**
Books, media and laptops available for loan.

**Interlibrary Loans**
Partnerships with libraries around the world allow us to obtain materials not owned by the BCIT Library for our students and faculty.

**RELATED SERVICES**

**MediaWorks**
Help and consultation for students who want to enhance their projects using multimedia such as iFilm, Photoshop and PowerPoint.

**Archives**
A growing collection of photographs, documents and memorabilia that comprise the official memory of BCIT.

**Records Management, Freedom of Information and Copyright Office**
Courses, advice and consultation for the faculty and staff of BCIT and supervision of the Institute Records Management Program.