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Laptop Bursary Program

The Laptop Bursary Program provides new laptops to students in financial need. No student should be held back by inadequate tech tools, nor should they have to weigh the value of reliable tech against other pressing financial needs.

Last year students in the pimâcihisowin Foundation Program or the Bachelor of Child and Youth Care (BCYC) program who demonstrated financial need, were awarded laptops and portable WiFi sticks as part of a library laptop bursary pilot. This year the bursary has been expanded, with more laptops, available for students in any program to apply for, University-wide. If you know a student who could benefit from this bursary, please encourage them to apply by September 23rd. Instructions can be found on the [Financial Aid website](#).

The Writing Centre

The Writing Centre offers MacEwan students writing support through:

- in-person and online appointments
- in-person and online drop-in support
- written feedback (submit a few paragraphs or a draft in progress)

We work with MacEwan students in all programs, in all years of study, and at any stage of the writing process. For more information, consult Writing Centre [Services](#) and our [FAQs](#).

The Writing Centre is located in the Library, room 6-202. Please visit the [Library's Hours of Operation](#) to plan your visit!

Course Resources

Course Resources, sometimes referred to as course reserves, are required reading and viewing materials for a course. The Library offers a number of services to assist instructors with creating and making course materials available to students.

New Course Outline Service

Send your course outline or a list of citations to reserves@macwan.ca and we'll do the rest: add permanent links to articles, ebooks, and streaming media in our collection, fill a digitization request, and review copyright.

New Course Resource Lists

The Library's new eReserves system that integrates with mêskanâs. With Course Resource Lists in mêskanâs you can:

- Create lists by adding websites, articles, ebooks, and streamed media
- Organize the list by week, module, or topic
- Set reading priority and add comments
- Request digitization for print book chapters, DVDs, or CDs for online access
- Copy your Course Resource Lists and items between your courses, or from one semester to the next.
- Engage students: Student can quickly see which items are essential, make personal notes, indicate completed tasks, and manage their time more effectively.

For more information visit the [Course Resources page](#) or contact us at reserves@macewan.ca

Makerspace

The Makerspace, located at John L. Haar Library in Room 6-203, is open and ready to assist students and faculty with leveling up their innovation! We provide tools and support so that you can use 3D printing, programming, and multimedia in pursuit of your research, course work, and personal projects. Check our hours on [the Library website](#).

Talk to us about your project today so we can help bring your ideas to life! Book a class tour, orientation or workshop. So many possibilities!

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The Library's Data Services

Whether you're searching for secondary datasets to use in research or teaching or looking for resources to manage your own research data, the library can help.

Finding Secondary Data and Statistics

Visit the library's [Statistics and Data guide](#) for more information and links to statistics and data sources. Contact data@macewan.ca for help finding statistics and data.

Research Data Management

Research data management encompasses the entire research data lifecycle, including the creation, processing, analysis, preservation, sharing and reuse of research data.

The library can help you:

- Learn about best practices for managing research data
- Develop a research data management plan
- Document your data so it is discoverable for reuse
- Store data in an appropriate repository
- Share and promote your data

For more information visit our [Research Data Services guide](#) or contact data@macewan.ca.

MacEwan University Data Repository

The [MacEwan University Data Repository](#) provides a place to store, share, and explore data and supports the teaching and scholarly activity of MacEwan University. The Data Repository provides a place for researchers to deposit data to meet the requirements of funding agencies and publications, including the [Tri-Agency Research Data Management Policy](#).

For more information visit our [Data Repository Guide](#) or contact data@macewan.ca.

Real Time Remote Access (RTRA)

RTRA is an online tool that allows users to run SAS programs in real time to extract results from Statistics Canada master files. RTRA users do not gain direct access to microdata and cannot view the microdata files. RTRA users can calculate frequencies, means, percentiles, percent distribution, proportions, ratios, and shares.

More information about RTRA is available on the [Statistics Canada website](#). For inquiries about using RTRA, contact data@macewan.ca.

More Library Services and Resources

Library Checkout App

The Library Checkout App offers an easy, contactless way to check out books from the library with your cell phone! Learn more on the [MacEwan Library Checkout App page](#).

Copyright

If you have questions about copyright related to teaching and research, check out the [Library's copyright guide](#).

Citing Sources

The Library has some helpful information about citing sources including [guides to the latest citation styles](#).

Research Instruction and Consultations

[Subject librarians](#) are available to discuss research assignments and provide instruction and learning materials for your students. Virtual and in-person research consultations are also available to students.