

Self-Guided Queen's Tour (Updated Version)

Disclaimer

Welcome to Queen's! Thank you for taking part in this self-guided tour of our campus. Please note that this self-guided tour is a condensed version of our regular campus tour. We recommend reading through each stop when you arrive at the buildings mentioned. All addresses for the building names can be found on our website, as well as on Google Maps :)

If you have any questions, please direct them to tours@queensu.ca. We hope you enjoy the tour!

Introduction at Mitchell Hall

Land Acknowledgement

As we welcome you to Queen's University, we want to acknowledge that Queen's is situated on the traditional territory of the Anishinabek and Haudenosaunee peoples. Queen's has many incredible resources for Indigenous and non-Indigenous students, including the Four Directions Indigenous Student Centre (located at 144–146 Barrie Street) and the Office of Indigenous Initiatives. We encourage students to explore these resources on our website for more details about the services they provide.

Queen's University Has Two Campuses

Main Campus

- Where you currently are located.
- You can walk side-to-side in 10 minutes and corner-to-corner in 15 minutes.

West Campus

- Home to the Faculty of Education
- Jean Royce Dining Hall
- 2 Residences
- Education Library
- Richardson Stadium

More Details About West Campus

If you walk, drive, or bus west down Union St. you will end up at Queen's "West Campus" which is located at the intersection of Union St. and Sir John A MacDonald Blvd. This is where you will find Duncan McArthur Hall.

McArthur Hall is home to the Faculty of Education, a dining hall, and Queens' largest lecture hall which seats 700 students.

Attached to Duncan McArthur Hall are two first-year residence buildings known as Jean Royce Hall Phase 1 and Phase 2.

West Campus is also home to Richardson Stadium where the varsity football team plays and practices.

The Isabel Bader Centre for the Performing Arts

If you walk, drive, or bus west down King St. W, you will locate the Isabel Bader Centre. This beautiful building is located on the shore of Lake Ontario.

- The Isabel Bader Centre is home to the Department of Film and Media Studies and multiple concert/performance halls.

Mitchell Hall

- Home to several innovation and wellness services for students.
- Has the innovation hub open to all students but primarily used by engineering students.
- Student Wellness Services has campus doctors, nurses, nurse practitioners, and mental health professionals.
- Queen's Student Accessibility Services (QSAS) provides academic accommodations for students with disabilities.
- Queen's University International Centre (QUIC) for both international and domestic students. Has study spaces, food nights, and cultural events throughout the year.
- Faith and Spiritual Life Centre for students at any part in their faith journey, home to the largest prayer space on campus.

Queen's Centre

- One of the main student life centres on campus.
- Home to a food court, Grocery Checkout (on campus grocery store with common items, premade meals, snacks, etc), Drug Smart Pharmacy, Common Ground Coffee House (COGRO), and the First Year Off-Campus Community Lounge (a space for first years that choose to live off campus their first year).

Athletics and Recreation Centre (ARC)

- Access to the ARC is included in student fees.
- Six different zones:
 - Cardio
 - Free weight
 - Stacked weight
 - Conditioning
 - Stretching
 - Women's only (for female-identifying students)
- Several guided classes (yoga, pilates, dance, spin, etc.) that come at a small additional fee that is heavily subsidized by the university.
- Queen's offers a wide variety of intramural teams as well as varsity clubs and teams.

Academics in School of Kinesiology and Health Studies (SKHS)

We Have Two Programs of Entry

Direct Entry

- Programs like Commerce, Engineering, Nursing, etc. where enrolled students get a Bachelor of Commerce or a Bachelor of Applied Sciences.
- Students will take courses related to their program from day one.

General Entry

- Programs that fall under the Faculty of Arts and Science.
- Students take 5 courses of their choosing in their first year and declare their major at the end of their first year.

Additional Opportunities

- There is a voluntary internship program that students can take part in as an intermission to their studies.
- Students who participate in the Queen's University Internship Program (QUIP) get access to workshops (i.e., resume building and interview skills) and a Queen's specific job board where they can acquire a 12–16-month paid internship.
- There are also international exchange opportunities available for most faculties to study abroad at one of over 220 partner universities from all over the world for either a full year or one term.

Campus Dining at Adelaide Hall

- If you are living in residence, you are required to enroll in the meal plan.
- Meal plan is designed to include all meals you will need to eat in your first year.

Three Parts to the Residence Meal Plan

19 Meal Swipes Per Week

- Swipe in at any of the three dining halls on campus.
- All you care to eat!
- All dining halls have allergy friendly stations (True Balance) and chefs who can make meals if required for dietary or other reasons; feel free to “ask before you eat”.
- Hospitality has registered dietitians who can help students navigate menu options and the dining halls for allergies, intolerances, religious observances, and other dietary needs.
- Dining hall menus are posted online for the upcoming week.

175 Trade-a-Meals (TAMs)

- Allow you to exchange a dining hall swipe at Queen's proprietary retail locations on campus (i.e., Lazy Scholar, Location 21, some JDUC locations) for a combo equivalent.
- Menu items will be labelled as a TAM with a sticker, and those items can be paid for using a TAM at the cashier.
- Using a TAM takes away 1 TAM and 1 of your 19 meals for the week.
- TAMs and weekly meals do not carry over into the summer or upper years.
- Exactly 19 meals every week; refresh every Sunday night.

Flex Dollars

- Flex dollars can be used like real money at any place on campus.
- Only part of the meal plan that carries over into upper years.
- Can be topped up at any time while at Queen's, and can be refunded after graduation.

Yellow House

- A safe space for queer and racialized students to create community and a tailored hub of university resources for marginalized students and their needs.
- They support the academic and professional growth of QTBIPOC (Queer, Transgender, Black, Indigenous, and People of Colour) student communities.
- They can help students navigate getting religious accommodations.
- A variety of jobs, volunteer opportunities, and student-led clubs, including Levana Gender and Advocacy Centre and Queen's Black Academics Society.
- They offer resources regarding physical and mental wellness, such as culturally sensitive, non-Eurocentric individual counselling sessions for QTBIPOC students.

Residence at Leggett Hall

Residence Options

- We are proud to offer 18 different residence buildings at Queen's and 6 different room styles:
 - Single room
 - Single-plus room (highest price)
 - Standard double room
 - Double loft room (most economical)
 - Triple room
 - Quad room

Residence Life

- Every floor will have a Don, who is an upper-year student responsible for supporting first years in residence.
- Every floor has access to a common room, which typically houses a kitchenette and communal study/lounging areas.
- Each building will have laundry services.

Living Learning Communities (LLCs)

- Sections of buildings for students who share a common interest (e.g., Active Living, Leadership, 22-hour quiet floors, pet-friendly, faculty-specific floors).
- What is offered changes yearly based on interest.

Residence Maintenance

- Communal bathrooms are cleaned twice daily.

- Single-plus bathrooms are cleaned bi-weekly (once every 2 weeks).

Residence Guarantee

We don't yet know what the guarantee will look like for the upcoming Sept 2027 application cycle, but this is what it's been for the past couple years.

- If you are a domestic student and you receive your offer on or before April 15, you are guaranteed residence.
 - For International and Indigenous students, this date is shifted to May 31st
- If you receive your offer after April 15th, applicants are entered into a lottery, where everyone has an equal chance of getting a guarantee.
- Make sure to submit your residence application and pay the deposit by the deadline.
- Residence spaces are allocated through self-selection (you choose your own room).

Room Selection

- After applications have been submitted, if selected, applicants will randomly be given a date and time when they can begin selecting rooms.
- The date and time given to the student is completely randomized through a lottery system.
- Rooms are selected like a concert or other event: students can pick the exact building, floor, and room they would like to live in.
- Students can apply as an individual or with (up to) 3 others.
- Whoever has the earliest selection time of the group reserves the room.

Libraries and Academic Resources at Joseph S. Stauffer Library

Queen's Has 5 Libraries

- Joseph S. Stauffer Library (Arts and Humanities)
- Douglas Library (Applied Sciences)
- Bracken Health Sciences Library
- Lederman Law Library
- Education Library (on West Campus)

Academic Resources

Stauffer Library is home to many academic resources like the Adaptive Technology Centre and Student Academic Success Services (SASS).

John Deutsch University Centre (JDUC)

- One of the central student life buildings on campus.
- Recently re-opened after being revitalized.
- The AMS strongly advocated for the renovation so students would have a space to gather, socialize, and be proud of.
- Home to the Alma Mater Society (AMS), which is the central student government at Queen's.

AMS

- Hosts different clubs, volunteer opportunities, and jobs on campus.
- 300+ different clubs.
- 1000+ volunteer positions.
- 800+ jobs, including 15 completely student-run services.
- Bus pass is included in student fees – the AMS advocated for this.

(Return to Mitchell Hall for conclusion)

Thank You for Visiting Queen's!

Thank you for joining us on this self-guided tour of Queen's University. We hope you enjoyed exploring our campus and learning more about the opportunities available to students here!

If you have any questions related to academics, admissions, or the application process, please contact admission@queensu.ca.

Safe travels home, and best wishes in all your future university applications. We hope to see you on campus again soon!

Warm Regards,

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