ICICS/Computer Science Reading Room

for Graduate students, Faculty and Staff

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Welcome to the ICICS/Computer Science Reading Room

Access

Graduate students, faculty and staff with card or fob access may use the room 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If you are not a CS grad student or faculty, contact the Reading Room Coordinator (rdngroom@cs.ubc.ca) to request access.

When you use the Reading Room after hours, please remember:

- Keep the doors shut. If the alarm sounds, ensure that the doors are closed properly.
- Do not open the door for anyone—all users with permission to enter after hours will have their own authorized access.
- Sign out any material that you remove from the room.
- Use the room and materials responsibly and ensure others do as well. Please notify staff of any problems.

Equipment

- We have a public computer workstation. If you have a Computer Science department ID, you may use it to log on and access your files. Otherwise, there is a public logon available.
- A scanner is attached to the workstation.
- The Reading Room does not offer photocopying or printing services. If logged on with your CS department ID, you may print to CS department printers.
- Other equipment available includes calculator, eReaders and headphones.
Finding Books

- Check the **Reading Room Catalogue** to find books, and more.
- Check the catalogue item record for location notes, such as Reference or Course Reserve.
- If you can’t find a book on the shelf, note the call number (located on book spine) and ask Reading Room staff to check.
- If you would like to place a **hold** on a book that is signed out, we will take your email address and notify you when the book is available.

**UBC Computer Science Theses**

- Theses are available in electronic format from **cIRcle**, UBC’s institutional repository
- Print copies of theses from 1968—May 2006 are available in the Reading Room along with some thesis proposals.
- For more information on locating UBC and other theses or writing and submitting theses, see our Theses webpage under **Research & Publications**.
Notes for Instructors and TAs

• Please contact us with book purchase requests or suggestions. If the material is for a course, try to contact us a month before the start of the course.

• If you would like material to be placed on Course Reserve (short-term or restricted loan), try to contact us two weeks before the start of the course.

• TAs should contact the departmental office or course instructor to obtain a teaching copy of a course textbook.

Other materials at UBC

• The Reading Room is not part of the UBC Library. The Science & Engineering reference desk and Computer Science liaison librarian are in the Woodward Library. Library books in computer science can also be found in the I.K. Barber Learning Centre.

• The Library provides an InterLibrary Loan service for materials not available at UBC. The closest locations for pickup are the Education Library and Woodward Library.

Requesting material for pickup

• You may request items from our physical collection. Check the catalogue and email us with the title and call number.

• You will be notified when your request is ready and available for pickup from the designated table at the Reading Room.

• Only pick up your own request. If you need someone else to pick up for you, please let us know.

• The material will be signed out to you & the due date will be indicated inside. Please return on time, or contact us to renew.
Signing Out Books

1. Find sign out card in back of book.
2. Print your name, email address and student number. Stamp card with due date.

3. Leave card in sign out box.
5. Return or renew by due date.

Signing Out Journals, etc.

When signing out journals and other materials that don’t have sign out cards included, fill out a pink slip with:

- Title
- Volume, issue and date (or call number)
- Your name, email address and student number.
- Stamp slip and leave in sign out box.
- Return or renew by due date.
Loan Regulations

- Books, journals, proceedings, videos and CDs may be signed out for **4 weeks (subject to recall)**.
- Renew or return all material directly to the Reading Room by the due date.
- Renew by emailing the title and call number to rdngroom@cs.ubc.ca.
- There is a **book return** near the front counter and a book return slot outside the front door.
- Please do not return Reading Room material to the Library and do not return Library materials to the Reading Room.
- You are responsible for keeping track of, renewing and returning all Reading Room material.
- Users may be **charged** for material that is lost, damaged or not returned upon request.

**Term loans**

- Computer Science and ICICS-affiliated graduate students, faculty and staff (in good standing with the Reading Room) may sign out material on term loan.
- Term loans are due on the last day of the month of the current term.
- Term loans are **subject to recall** at any time. If you are going to be away from campus or out of town, please return Reading Room materials.
- Course Reserve, Reference and some other materials may not be signed out on term loan.
Course Reserves

Some materials may be placed on Course Reserve for short-term or restricted loan.

Check the list of current Course Reserves online or search the Reading Room catalogue for the course number.

1-Week Loans

- Ask at our front counter, during opening hours
- May be signed out for 7 days (due at noon)
- You may request pickup of course reserve items. The items will be signed out to you for 7 days, from date of notification and you will have 2 business days to pick up from the designated table.
- Request renewal by emailing rdngroom@cs.ubc.ca
- Return by due date and time

Library Use Only material

- Ask at our front counter, during opening hours. We will hold your student ID while you have the material.
- Please use material in the Reading Room