

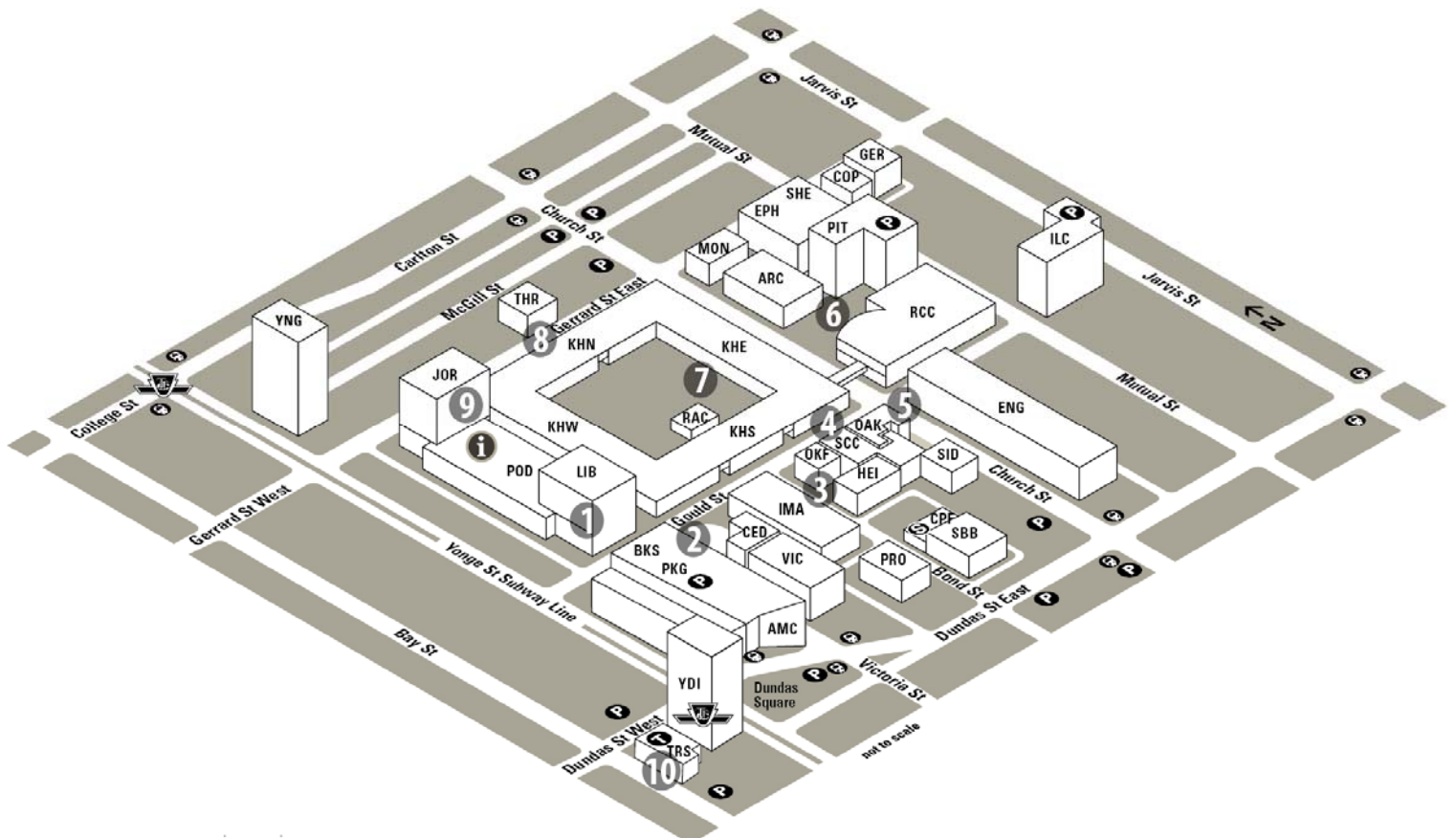
# RYERSON UNIVERSITY

## Self-Guided Tour

## Welcome To Ryerson University!

Thank you for taking the time to visit our campus! This package provides information to guide you around our vibrant urban campus. Each "Campus Highlight" will provide you with information about your surroundings. Guided tours, led by current Ryerson Students, are available Monday-Friday at 10am & 1pm except on statutory holidays and study breaks, more information is available at [www.ryerson.ca/undergraduate/admission/visit](http://www.ryerson.ca/undergraduate/admission/visit)

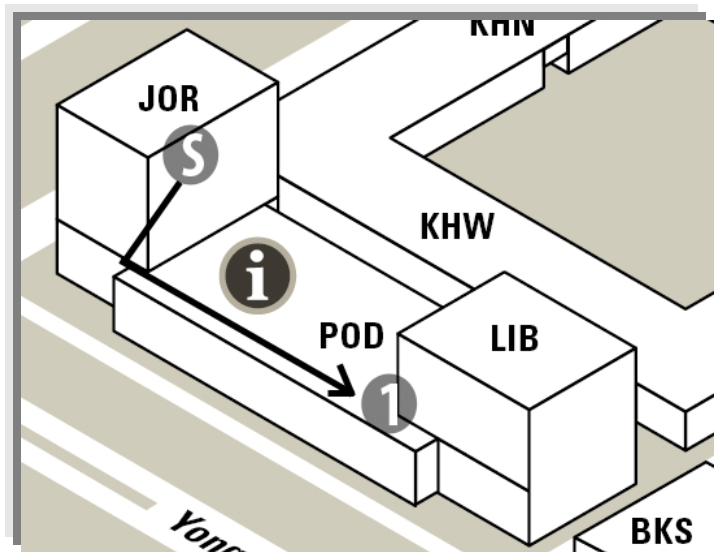
At the conclusion of your tour, you will be at the Undergraduate Admissions & Recruitment Welcome and Student Information Centre where you can find the answers to any questions you may have. Please don't hesitate to contact us at 416-979-5036 or [ask.ryerson.ca](mailto:ask.ryerson.ca) if you have any further questions after your visit today. Enjoy your self-guided tour!



## Campus Highlight # 1 *Jorgenson, Podium, Student Services*

The tour starts in front of the *Undergraduate Admissions & Recruitment Welcome and Student Information Centre* in *Jorgenson Hall* (POD 144).

To continue, walk towards the back of the *Jorgenson Hall Lobby*. Go **Down** the stairs and turn **Right**. Follow the hallway until you pass the *Starbucks* on your Left and come up to the *Student Services* office and counter on your Right.



**Student Services:** Aims to play a leading role in integrating student life and learning within Ryerson's community. Oversees many services, such as:

*Tri Mentoring Program:* Partners first-year students with upper year students who will provide support to assist in the transition to University life. Each Mentee/Mentor is different, some may meet on a regular basis, others simply chat online. In general they keep contact for 4-6 hours per month, and provides the Mentee with someone to talk to if any questions or concerns arise.

*Student Financial Assistance:* Handle OSAP, Scholarship, Bursary, Work Study, Canada Student Loan and GO Transit Discount inquiries. Many scholarships are available, some don't need an application, but others have specific requirements and application deadlines.

*Career Centre:* Helps students find jobs both on and off campus, and provides services such as help with resumes, cover letters and interview skills

*International Student Services:* Provides support to our International students to facilitate their academic success and involvement in the Ryerson Community

*Access Centre for Students with Disabilities:* Aims to improve access to education for students with disabilities. The centre assists with the accommodation of special needs through services such as providing extra time on tests and exams

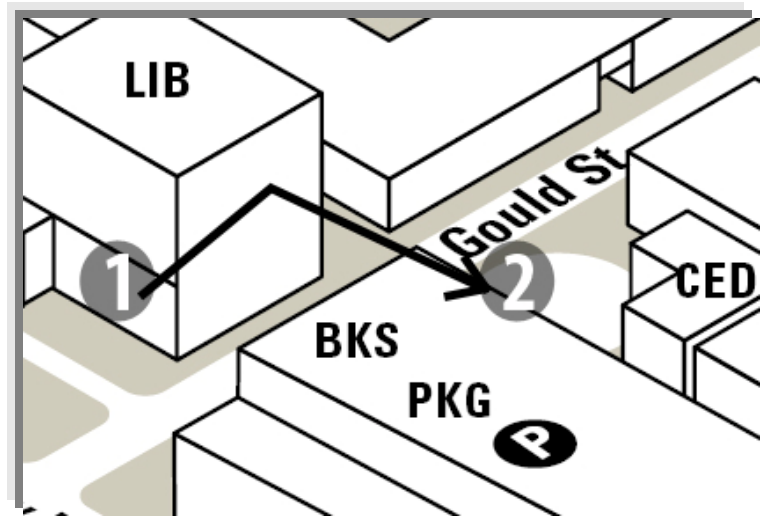
*Aboriginal Student Services:* provides a culturally supportive environment to promote academic excellence and serves as a place to balance academic learning with traditional teachings and culture.

*Centre for Student Development and Counselling:* Provides a range of counselling services and group programs in a professional and friendly environment. Counsellors are available to work with students on a variety of personal concerns and crisis situations

## Campus Highlight #2

*Library, Lake Devo, Toronto Life Square, Bookstore, Continuing Education, Student Learning Centre*

Exit the building and take a **Right**, cross the street (Gould Street), **Stop** in front of *Lake Devo*, the pond/ice rink.



**Library Building:** The ten-story building you just exited is home to our library, holding nearly a half-million titles. The library also features quiet study carrels and group study rooms that can be booked online. Students can also make use of online resources from anywhere with an internet connection and RACER, a province-wide interlibrary loan system, providing access to books from other Ontario university libraries.

**Bookstore, Parking, Toronto Life Square:** Across the street, at the southwest corner of Gould and Victoria streets is one of two bookstore locations. This location features Ryerson apparel, gifts, as well as textbooks. Above is one of three Ryerson parking garages. You can park here either at a daily rate, or purchase a parking pass for the academic year.

Above this is the Toronto Life Square. This building contains a mix of retail, restaurants, offices and a 24-screen AMC movie theatre. 12 of these theatres are used by Ryerson as lecture halls during the school year. On the opposite side of this building is Yonge and Dundas square. Every year over 56,000,000 people frequent its immediate area and 20,000,000 subway trips either start or end at the Dundas Subway station.

**Yonge Street, Student Learning Centre:** To the west is Yonge Street, a major thoroughfare into Downtown Toronto. At the corner of Yonge and Gould, the former Sam the Record Man site will become our new Student Learning Centre. The new building, made possible by a transformative investment of \$45 million from the Government of Ontario, will provide undergraduate and graduate students with the study space and facilities that are required to continue building Ryerson's unique professionally oriented programs.

**Lake Devo, Heaslip House:** Beside you is Lake Devo, normally it is a fountain and reflecting pond during the summer months and a skating rink during the winter. However, due to construction on the Image Arts Building, Lake Devo is temporarily closed.

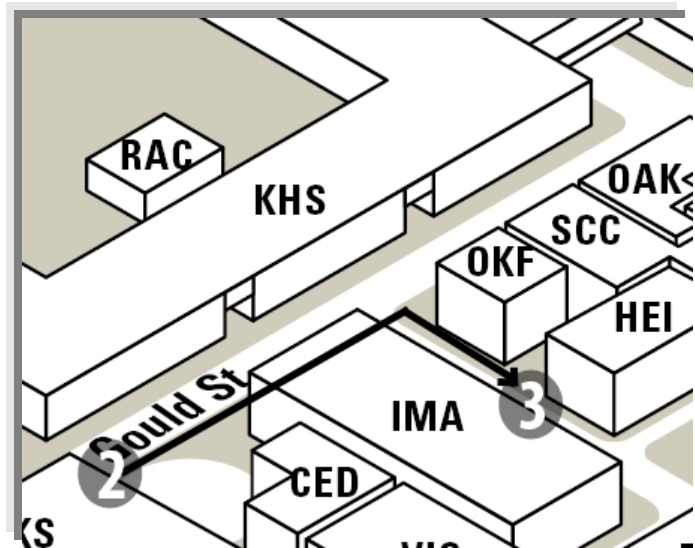
Above this is the Heaslip House, home to the G. Raymond Chang School of Continuing Education. Ryerson is Canada's leading provider of university-based continuing education with over 65,000 annual enrollments in 1,100 courses and over 70 career-related certificate programs.

### Campus Highlight #3 *Image Arts, O'Keefe House, Heidelberg Centre, Bond Street*

Walk east along Gould to Bond Street,  
cross Bond Street and take a **Right, Stop**  
in front of *O'Keefe House*

**Special note: The Image Arts building  
is under construction for brand new  
facilities. The construction began  
summer 2009. To see a mock-up  
design for the new facilities please  
visit:**

<http://www.ryerson.ca/about/provost/gallery.html>



#### **Image Arts/Ryerson's Black Star Historical Black & White Photography Collection:**

Across the street, on the west side of Bond is the Image Arts building, which is home to our Film, Photography and New Media programs. This building is home to Image Arts studios, foley and sound recording studios, sound stage, darkrooms, labs and print centres. This building is currently undergoing a major expansion and redesign, with an open-concept glass facade creating light-filled study and communal gathering place for students. Temporarily Image Arts students have been moved to other complexes on campus.

In April 2005 Ryerson received an anonymous donation of \$7-million and almost 300,000 black and white photographs that were originally from the Black Star Agency in New York City. These iconic images document world events and personalities from the 20<sup>th</sup> Century and are considered the most significant cultural contribution ever made to a Canadian University. This world-renowned collection will be housed in the renovated Image Arts building upon its completion.

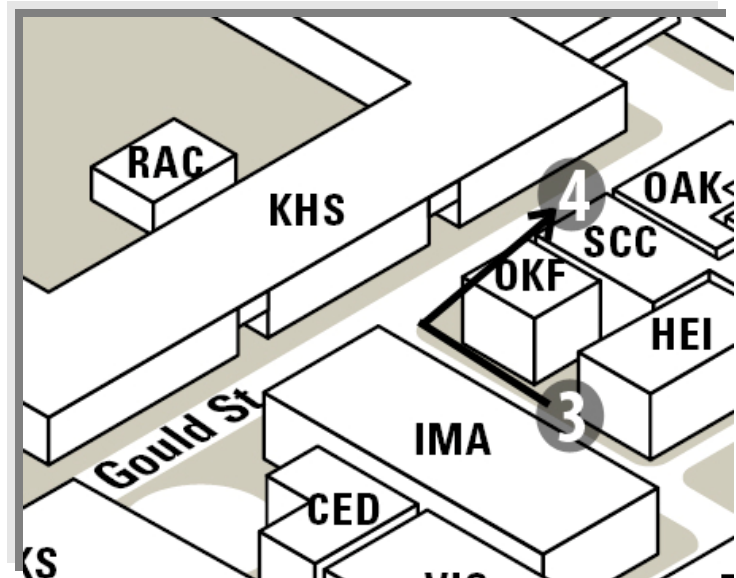
**O'Keefe House:** The smallest of our three residences, O'Keefe House is home to 33 students in double or triple occupancy rooms. The house was built in 1875 and was originally a home for the founder of the O'Keefe brewery, which was located in this area. It is now a unique student residence, with a strong focus on the community. Residents frequently participate in fundraising activities and community service.

**Heidelberg Centre:** Just down the street, beside O'Keefe House is a \$12-million, 30,000 square foot construction, the Heidelberg Centre School Of Graphic Communications Management. The building features state-of-the-art labs in pre-press and pressing, supporting the only degree-granting program for the printing industry in Canada.

## Campus Highlight #4 *Student Campus Centre, Oakham House, Student Union*

Walk back to Gould Street. Turn **Right**,  
**Stop** in front of *Student Campus Centre*

**Student Campus Centre:** Home to the Ryerson Student Union and many of the services available to students, the Student Campus Centre is invaluable to student life at Ryerson.



Within this building, you will find our campus radio station (CKLN), one of five campus newspapers (The Eyeopener), The Used Book Room, Travel Cuts, RyeACCESS, Rye PRIDE, The Community Food Room, The Ryerson Women's Centre, The Ryerson Working Students' Centre and many of the meeting spaces for the over 100 clubs, groups and organizations at Ryerson.

For commuting students, the Student Union offers discount Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) Metropasses, providing unlimited monthly transit at a cost approximately 10% less than if purchased through the TTC. All Full-Time students at Ryerson also have a Health and Dental Plan administered through the Student Union, with an opt-out option available for students with comparable coverage. The Student Union also provides discounts for movie theatres, comedy nights and other entertainment venues in Toronto.

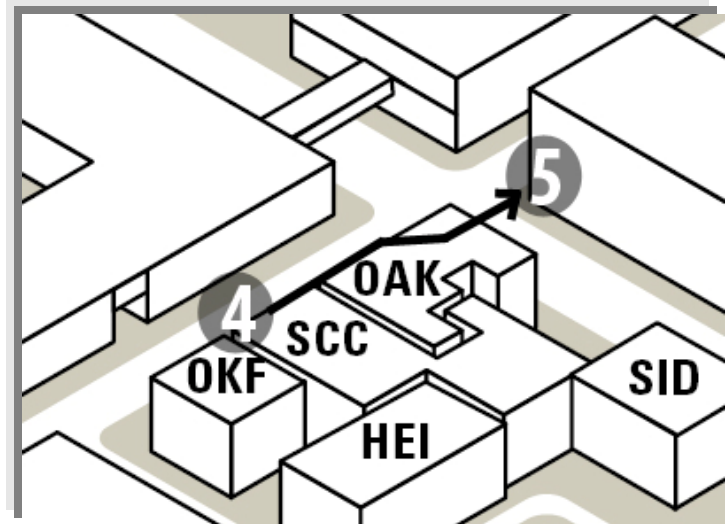
**Oakham House:** Beside the Student Campus Centre, and integrated within the building is the Oakham House. Another historical building on our campus, Oakham House provides meeting spaces for student groups and Ryerson Conference Services.

The main floor of Oakham House is home to the Oakham Cafe, a full-service restaurant on campus that accepts both cash and meal cards. Downstairs is the Ram In The Rye, an all-ages campus pub featuring a big screen for sports games, concerts and open-mic nights.

## Campus Highlight #5 Engineering, Interior Design, ILLC, Rogers Communication Centre

Continue walking along Gould Street to Church Street, and cross Church.  
**Stop** at the southeast corner.

**George Vari Engineering and Computer Centre:** A \$70-million construction, this building houses Aerospace, Electrical and Computer Engineering as well as Computer Science. Used for general lecture space, as well as specialized labs, this building is home to the Facility for Research on Aerospace Materials and Engineered Structures (FRAMES Lab).



The lower floors are primarily used as general lecture halls for all programs, where the upper floors support the unique needs of Engineering and Computing programs within the 225,000 square foot building. The Faculty of Engineering, Architecture and Science at Ryerson is one of the largest of its kind in Canada with 4,100 undergraduate and 480 graduate students.

Across Church Street is the **School of Interior Design**. Interior Design was one of our founding programs in 1948, and the first Ryerson program accredited to grant degrees. This building is primarily studio and lab space, and operates much like an interior design firm in the real world, giving its students the skills to succeed after graduation.

Looking down to the eastern end of Gould Street is the **International Living and Learning Centre (ILLC)**: This building, formerly a hotel, was purchased by Ryerson in 1993 to increase our residence space. Each room is like a hotel room, with a double or queen bed, pull-out sofa or table and chair, TV and private bathroom. With 11 floors, this building is home to 252 students.

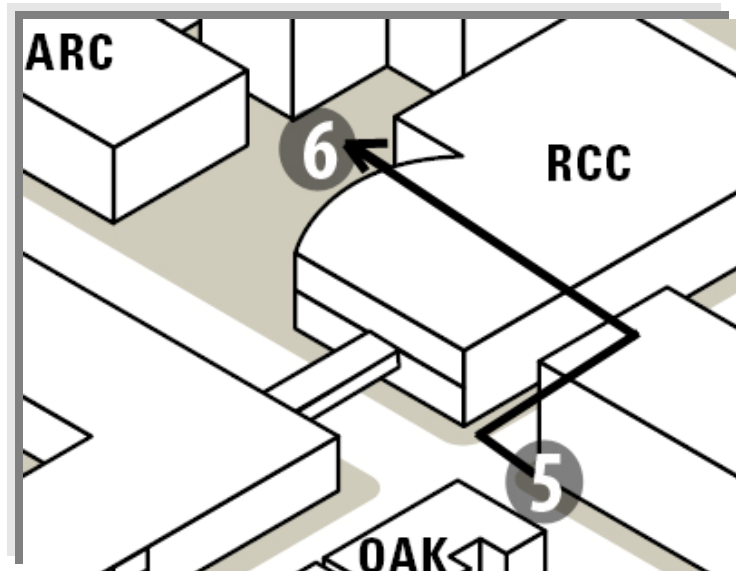
Across the street at the northeast corner is the **Rogers Communication Centre (RCC)**: Built in 1991 for \$25-million, the Rogers Communication Centre was named in memory of Ted Rogers Sr., a broadcast pioneer who made the first batteryless radio and founded CFRB Radio in Toronto (Canada's First Rogers Batteryless). The building is home to Radio and Television and Journalism programs, though other programs may use the building for communication courses.

In addition to state-of-the-art print and audio labs, the building is home to four television studios including the first fully-digital fixed-site high definition studio in Canada. The RCC is also home to The Ryersonian, the second of five campus newspapers, the Ryerson Review of Journalism, a twice-yearly review of the journalism industry in Canada produced by 4<sup>th</sup> year Journalism students, and Ryerson's first television channel RUTV (Ryerson University Television), are based here as well.

## Campus Highlight #6

*Architecture, Eric Palin Hall,  
Sally Horsfall Eaton Centre,  
Pitman Hall*

Cross at the corner of Gould Street and continue to walk East towards the main doors of the Rogers Communication Centre, continue walking through the building towards the raised pathway. **Stop** in the open area ahead.



The large L-Shaped building beside you is **Pitman Hall**: Our largest residence, Pitman Hall has 14 floors and is home to 555 students. All bedrooms are private. There are three different room styles. Bathrooms and lounge spaces are shared.

On the main level is a cafeteria that offers a wide variety of options. This cafeteria, along with Maggie's Eatery in the ILLC accept cash or the Ryerson OneCard (meal card), so you can still eat here even if you are not a residence student. The upper levels of both residences are very secure, requiring you are required to show your residence ID upon entering and all guests must be signed in with photo-ID and wear a bracelet during their stay.

**Off Campus Housing** is also operated from Pitman Hall. There is an Off Campus Housing registry to assist students in finding accommodations if they are planning on living off campus. The Ryerson Off-Campus Living Link (ROLL) is a service that develops a social and academic network among Ryerson students living off-campus to provide them with the resources needed to meet their personal academic goals.

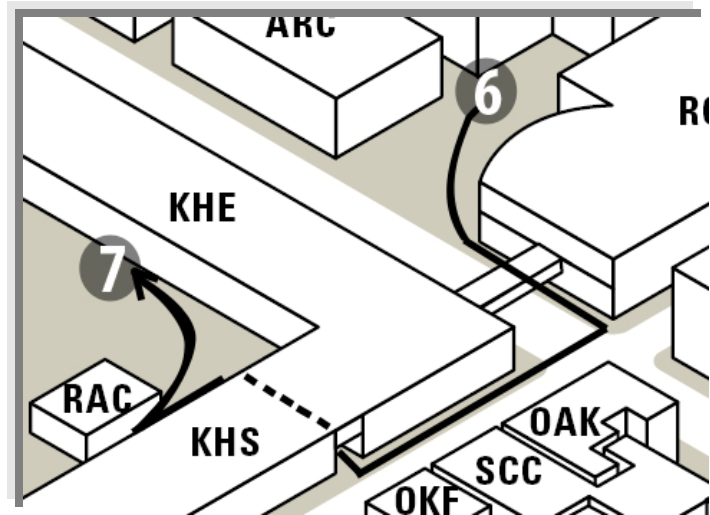
Behind Pitman Hall to the North is a concrete and blue building, this is **Eric Palin Hall** and the **Sally Horsfall Eaton Centre**: The lower portion of this building is Eric Palin Hall, which houses several engineering labs, the school of Social Work and general purpose lecture halls that are used by students in all programs. Roberta Bondar, the first Canadian Woman in space, conducted research here.

The upper two floors of this building were added to the building well after the original construction. They were built in 2002 and represent a separate building built above the Eric Palin Hall, it is the Sally Horsfall Eaton Centre for Studies in Community Health. This building serves our Community Services programs, such as Child and Youth Care, Midwifery and our collaborative program with George Brown College in Early Childhood Education.

**Architecture Building**: An open-concept building designed by Canadian Architect Ron Thom, it is home to many examples of student work on display, showcasing the hard work of the students. Architecture Students have 24-hour security access to the building's labs and studios. The building was designed with areas left unfinished so students are able to use it as a working studio. For example, you'll find exposed concrete walls and air ducts left in the open to the student's learning eye.

## Campus Highlight #7 *The Quad, Kerr Hall, RAC, Sports and Recreation*

Walk towards Church Street while curving to your **Left** and walk underneath the bridge. At the corner of Church and Gould Street cross Church Street, walk straight to 50 Gould Street and turn **Right** into the first archway of *Kerr Hall South* begin walking around the path and **Stop** anywhere along the path in the quad area.



**The Quad:** The Quad provides a green space in the center of our campus, providing a quiet space to relax, study, play intramural sports, or hang out with friends. As with the rest of the campus, the quad has wireless internet, so if you have a laptop you can access free internet from here.

Surrounding you is **Kerr Hall:** Built in 1963 this building is one of largest on our campus. Aside from general classrooms throughout the building that may be used by students in all programs, several specific services, facilities and programs are also located in Kerr Hall. The building is divided into 4 quadrants:

*East:* Home to many of the science labs and offices, including Chemistry, Biology and First Year & Common Science.

*South:* The School of Fashion and some additional Engineering offices are located here. The fashion labs include a brand new CAD lab and a Mac Lab with 30 state-of-the-art G5's, offering a teaching environment that duplicates many professional studios.

*West:* Two gymnasiums, including Ryerson's Varsity Gym are located here, as well as one of our largest drop-in computer labs.

**RAC:** The Historic Facade in the south end of the Quad was built in 1851 and originally served as a teacher training facility founded by Egerton Ryerson, the father of the school system of Ontario. This is also where Ryerson got its start in 1948. In the 1960's the building was cleared to make way for Kerr Hall's construction and now serves as the entranceway into our underground athletic centre, the RAC.

The RAC, located beneath the quad, includes: 4 squash courts, 2 gymnasiums (in addition to the two large gyms in KHW), a 160 yard banked indoor running track, weight and cardio rooms, 2 sprung hardwood floor dance studios, spacious changerooms with saunas and a 25 yard pool. Membership is only \$40/semester for all full-time undergraduate students.

## **Sports and Recreation:**

Sports and Recreation offers something for everyone – from serious athletes who want to join interuniversity teams to those who like to stay fit and have some fun at the Recreation and Athletics Centre (RAC). Students can pursue their favorite sport or recreational activity or explore a new athletic challenge by choosing from the dozens of programs and facilities available to all students.

**Interuniversity Sports** - Ryerson operates men's and women's varsity teams that compete nationally through Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) and provincially in the Ontario University Athletics (OUA):

### **Men's Sports:**

Badminton  
Basketball  
Fencing  
Hockey  
Rowing  
Soccer  
Volleyball

### **Women's Sports:**

Badminton  
Basketball  
Fencing  
Figure Skating  
Rowing  
Soccer  
Volleyball  
Hockey\*

(\*still under probationary status)

**Intramural Programs** – Ryerson's biggest student activity! Every year, over 2,500 students take the time out from study pressures to socialize and have fun by participating in Ryerson's Intramural program. Open to all students regardless of their level of sports skills, our intramural program is a great way to meet people, and get some exercise at the same time!

### **Intramural programs:**

Basketball

Ultimate Frisbee

Ice Hockey

Ball Hockey

Volleyball

Dodgeball

Squash

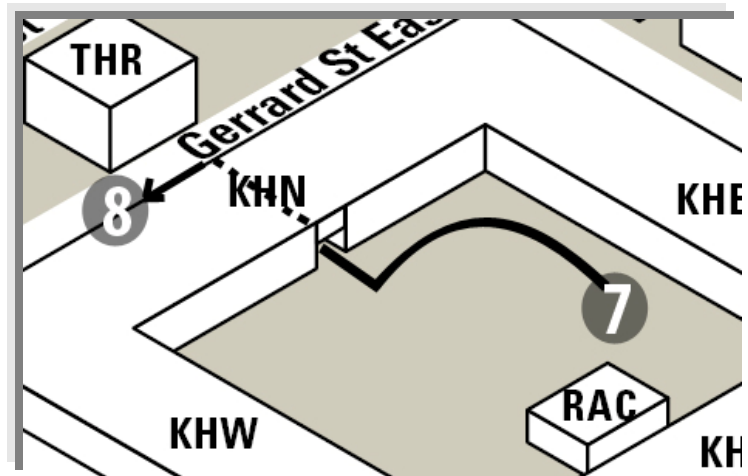
Softball

Flag Football

and many, many more...

## Campus Highlight #8 *Kerr Hall North, Ryerson Theatre, Theatre School, Off-Campus Housing Options, Health Centre*

Continue following the path around the quad to the northern archway in *Kerr Hall North*. Walk through the archway and stop at Gerrard Street.



**Ryerson Theatre:** Located in Kerr Hall North, the Ryerson Theatre is one of the largest theatres in Downtown Toronto, with 1,200 seats. Home to productions from our theatre programs, the Theatre also serves as a venue for The School of Fashion's Mass Exodus, Canada's largest student-produced fashion show, commencement ceremonies and guest speakers. Each year during the Toronto International Film Festival, the Ryerson Theatre is used as one of the venues for red-carpet gala premieres.

Across the street is the **Ryerson Theatre School:** Situated in Downtown Toronto, Canada's largest theatre district, the Ryerson Theatre School houses our renowned Performance Acting, Dance and Production programs. These small programs feature individual attention with extensive workshop and studio training (conservatory style). There is also a smaller studio theatre (The Abrams Theatre) located in this building.

**Off-Campus Housing Options:** There are several additional off-campus housing options that *are not affiliated with Ryerson*, but are located across the street from campus. The Off-Campus Housing registry, available online, can provide more information about these options.

**Neill-Wycik Student Co-op:** Located to the East on Gerrard and Mutual Streets, the large brown brick building is a 700+ room that houses students from various Toronto Universities and Colleges. More information can be found at [www.neill-wycik.com](http://www.neill-wycik.com)

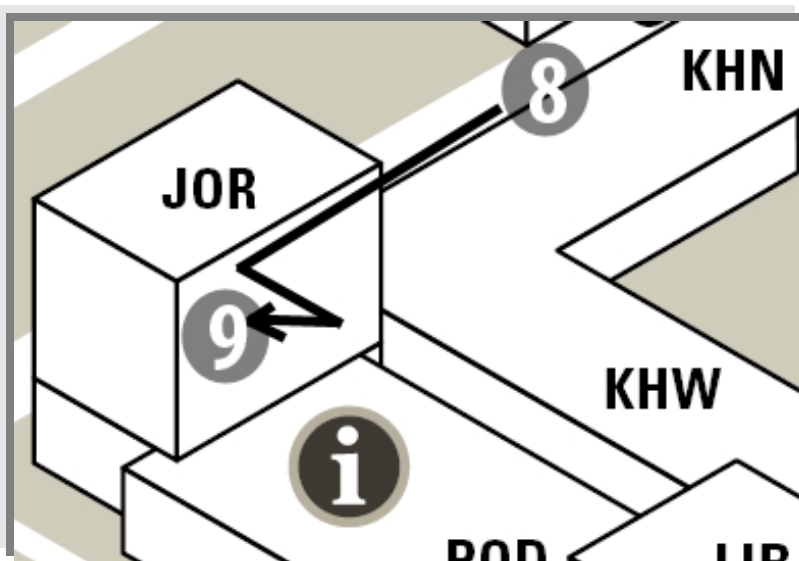
**Campus Common:** Beside the Theatre School is a new student apartment building called Campus Common. More information can be found at [www.campuscommon.ca](http://www.campuscommon.ca)

Behind the Ryerson Theatre, in the Northwest corner of Kerr Hall is the **Ryerson Health Centre:** A doctor's office on campus, the Health Centre is not a walk-in clinic (though there are several close-by) but functions more like a family doctor, uses your Provincial Health Card if you are Canadian, and the University Health Insurance Plan that is included in international fees for International Students. The Health Centre also promotes health issues on campus, and provides a great service for students who may be away from their family doctor while at school.

## Campus Highlight #9 *Jorgenson Hall*

Go **Left** from the archway and follow Gerrard Street West and make a **Left** when you reach the Victoria Street brick pathway. The first building on your **Right** is *Jorgenson Hall*. Go up the stairs and enter the building (380 Victoria Street)

**Jorgenson Hall:** A 14-storey building, Jorgenson Hall is home to the offices of professors in numerous Faculties.



**Faculty of Arts:** Down the hallway to the right, the Faculty of Arts is home of the Criminal Justice, Politics and Governance, Psychology, Sociology and Undeclared Arts, International Economics and Finance and Geographic Analysis programs. These unique arts programs combine a traditional humanities education with career-ready skills and theoretical approaches.

**Alumni Achievement Awards:** Near the back of the Jorgenson Hall lobby is our Alumni Achievement Awards, where we recognize Alumni that have gone on to achieve success in their fields of study. Graduates include:

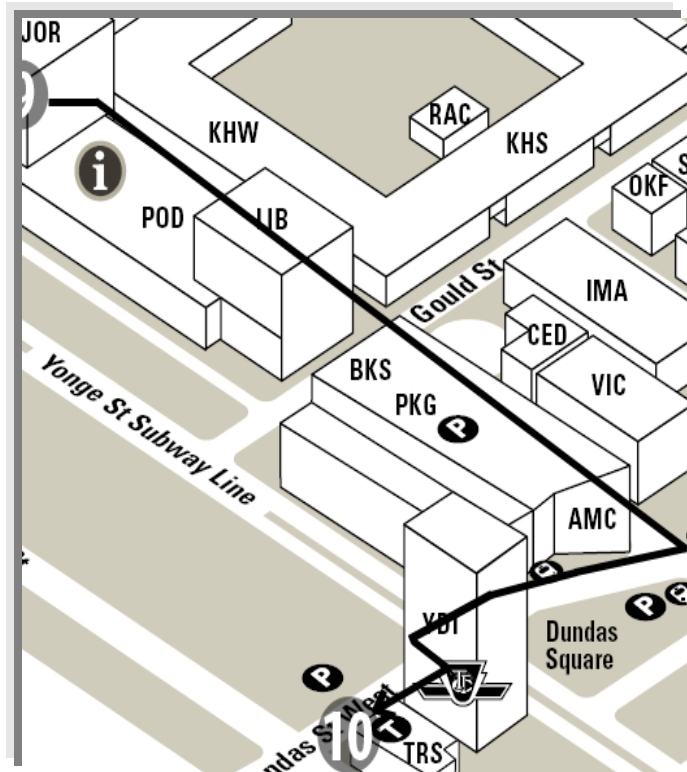
- Robert Gierkink: Went on to Harvard graduate school and founded the Air Miles program.
- Eric McCormack: Played Will in Will&Grace.
- Freider Hochheim: Invented a lighting system and formed Kino Flo lighting. This is now an industry standard in motion pictures and was awarded an academy award.
- Cathy Crowe: A front line nurse, she founded the Toronto Coalition Against Homelessness, which now oversees over 25 organizations.
- Isadore Sharp: Founder of the Four Seasons luxury hotel chain, member of the Order of Canada, founded the annual Terry Fox Run.
- Todd Young: Oversees 2200 employees as the General Manager of Turboprops at Bombardier Aerospace
- Valerie Pringle: Host of CTV's W5.

**Undergraduate Admissions & Recruitment Welcome and Student Information Centre:** The Undergraduate Admissions office, where your tour began, is also housed in the Jorgenson Hall (POD 144). This office provides support for our prospective students and applicants. If you have any questions following the tour, you may come here to ask them.

## Campus Highlight #10 *Ted Rogers School of Management*

Exit *Jorgenson Hall* and turn **Right**. Follow Victoria Lane, until Gould Street, cross street. Continue follow Victoria Lane (now Victoria Street) to the first set of lights and turn **Right** at Dundas. Follow Dundas Street to the *Ted Rogers School of Management Building* (Corner of Dundas and Bay). Enter the building and take 2 escalators to the first floor of the Ryerson portion of the building. Or take the Elevator to the 7<sup>th</sup> Floor.

**Ted Rogers School of Management:**  
Opened in Fall 2006, the Ted Rogers School of Management building houses all four schools of management at Ryerson: Business, Hospitality & Tourism, Retail and Information Technology Management.



Connected to the Dundas subway station and Eaton Centre via an underground walkway, Ryerson occupies the upper 3 floors, providing over 200,000 square feet of space. The building gives our management programs exposure on Bay Street, near the one of the largest financial districts in Canada.

Features a 500-seat auditorium, two 200-seat classrooms and six 135-seat classroom, as well as specialized caserooms, computer and flexible classrooms. There is also a large, open courtyard allowing natural light into the building. This building is also cooled by Deep Lake Water, minimizing its environmental footprint.

*Go up one floor*

On this floor in room TRS 2-168 is the Ted Rogers School of Management Student Services office. This office provides the Who, What, Where, When, Why and How of Ryerson to our Management students. Free tutoring is available to students, as well as the support to gain skills in time management, presentations, memory and concentration and exam writing

*Go up one floor*

The third floor houses the Tutoring Centre in TRS 3-051. On this floor there is also a 100-seat workroom with computers for students to use on a drop-in basis, a 50-seat workroom for students with laptops and 10 clubrooms for student organizations.

**Return to the Ground Floor.**  
**Thank you for visiting!**

This is the end point of your tour. Thank you for visiting our Campus. If you have any more questions please feel free to ask the staff at our Admissions Information Centre.

If any questions arise following your tour today, You can call us at (416) 979-5036 or ask online at [ask.ryerson.ca](http://ask.ryerson.ca)

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