FACILITY
Physical Accessibility – Brealey Library

The Library entrance is located on the 2nd floor of the campus, beneath the Learning Commons. Elevators are available at street level and in the Library.

The Library itself is split between two levels, with stairs and ramp access available.

Accessible washrooms are available within the Library, and located near the elevators.

There are two accessible-height study tables

Although higher shelving within the Library is not universally accessible, Library staff are available to retrieve books for anyone, upon request.

Physical Accessibility – Frost Library

The one floor Library is located in the Biodiversity wing of the campus. (Room 309)

Accessible washrooms are available nearby.

There is a CCTV unit in the large quiet study room.

Library staff are available to retrieve books for persons who are unable to reach items in the Library.

SERVICES
Adaptive Technology

All Library computers are equipped with adaptive technology. Adaptive technology is defined as any piece of equipment that eliminates or diminishes barriers to information and maximizes independent access to material.

The following software can be used to access most of the Library's online journals, e-Books, print material, as well as our website. Assistance with this technology is provided through Learning Support Services

- **JAWS (Job Access with Speech)**
  JAWS software is a screen reader designed to assist people who are blind or visually impaired. JAWS guides the user through almost any program or website on their computer. Users can also navigate pages through keyboard shortcut commands.

- **Kurzweil 1000**
  Kurzweil software speaks text aloud in a variety of natural-sounding voices that assists users with document creation and editing as well as note taking. Kurzweil differs from Jaws in that it works with scanned documents, (and not webpages, etc.)

- **Kurzweil 3000**
  Kurzweil 3000 also works as a screen reading software, assisting students by reading aloud scanned documents. While JAWZ and Kurzweil 1000 aid students with visual impairments, Kurzweil 3000 has a graphical interface and is used by students who have vision but may need assistance with reading.

- **Optelec** 20/20 Video Magnification System is available to magnify print documents. It can also change the colour scheme and pointer size for better visibility, and is located in the Brealey Library Silent Study Room.

Many of our online journals articles are available in MP3 format, and are accessible using the "Listen" feature available on some of our databases. Users can also listen to journals by saving the article in Adobe Reader X and selecting "View" in Adobe, then the "Read out Loud" function.