

Library building closure

Although the Library aims to be 24/7/365, unfortunately this year the Library building will be completely closed from 7pm on Sunday 27 December 2015 to 12 noon on Saturday 2 January 2016 owing to essential critical maintenance work taking place by Estates in the building. The work involves replacing an electrical panel which serves not only the Library but other areas of the campus and means that there will be no power or lighting at all in the building, making it unsafe for both staff and Library users. The sub-station is situated in the Library Building and it is not possible to provide a generator supply to the Library and Lecture Theatres as this would pose an unacceptable safety risk to the contractors undertaking the works.

Alternative study facilities will be made available during the closure period as follows;

Building	Room	Facilities available	Availability
Union House	Bookable Room 6	20 computers plus 1 MFD*	tbc
Union House	Bookable Room 5	Quiet study space	tbc
ITCS Building	01.26 Group Study Room	23 computers, 1 MFD*, group study space	24/7
ITCS Building	01.17 Teaching Space	80 PCs plus 1 MFD*	7am-11pm
INTO	Various, ask at Reception	Quiet and group study spaces,	7am-11pm

*MFD – multi-function device providing printing, scanning and photocopying

In addition, the dedicated prayer facility in Blackdale, normally only available for Friday prayers, will be accessible throughout the closure period. Students should also be able to find quiet spaces within the INTO building suitable for individual daily prayers.

A communications plan has been developed in discussion with the Internal Communications team and includes news items in the weekly e-bulletins, school e-bulletins, use of social media, messages on the student desktop screen saver, as well as flyers and posters. Publicity about the closure and the alternative spaces we have arranged will be stepped up from mid-November. Also ACCOM and DOS will send regular messages to students during November and December via their dedicated student email lists.