

University of Toronto Mississauga ABLE 2008 Reminders & Arrival Information

Weather

We have had a cool spring, but while you are here we should have temperatures in the 20s (70s F); we might have some days in the mid-high 20s (low 80s F) and we could get rain or sun. In other words, come prepared for a variety of weather!

What to bring (especially for new ABLE members)

Cloths:

- The Tuesday Reception (though we plan to be outside) and especially the Friday banquet are dressier.
- All of the workshops Wednesday – Friday are very casual
- Sports cloths (swim suit, etc.) if you plan to buy a guest pass at the sports centre (\$10/day or \$40 per week)

Computers & related

- We have arranged for wireless accounts, so bring your laptop if you want. You will also have a guest account to use the library computers.
- For computer-based workshops you might want to bring a USB memory key (especially if you signed up for Systematics)

Dorm room accessories

- You will be provided with 2 towels & 1 face cloth (changed on Thursday) + bed linens for the duration
- Suites have small kitchens with refrigerators and microwaves—you might want to bring coffee/tea, etc. No stores are nearby.
- Bring extra hangars
- No phones are in the dorm (not even pay phones)

Are you staying in the dorm and arriving AFTER 8pm (or before 9am) ?

- ❖ Please email Anne as soon as possible with your arrival information: day, airline, & flight arrival time [anne.cordon@utoronto.ca]
- ❖ The dorm does not have permanent staff, so I am arranging special ABLE conference people to meet you to give you room keys.
- ❖ After 9 pm a phone number will be on the door to call (a bit of a problem if you don't have a cell phone as there are no accessible public phones)—if you are going to be late please call Anne's cell phone (416) 428-7296

Getting to University of Toronto Mississauga

1. Maps & instructions for getting to UTM to help orient you on your travels to the conference go to <http://www.utm.utoronto.ca/1647.0.html>

2. Getting from Pearson International Airport

At the Arrivals level for each terminal follow the signs for taxis (limousines cost more). The zone flat rate to UTM is \$40. Share a cab if you see other ABLE attendees, but surcharge on more than 4 people.

Tell driver you are going to the University of Toronto Mississauga on Mississauga Road south of Burnamthorpe (north of Dundas)

Use the North Entrance to campus off Mississauga Rd (ABLE sign on the corner)

coming south: 1st traffic light south of Burnamthorpe

coming north: 3rd traffic light north of Dundas

Campus map: <http://www.utm.utoronto.ca/fileadmin/root/images/UTMMap.jpg>

UTM Buildings of note: (all buildings are within about a 5 minute walk)

Dormitory and Registration Monday & Tuesday: Erindale Hall (07) Along the North Road, EH is accessed from the second driveway/lane at the North Building (08). You or taxi may drive down the small hill to unload; a small number of temporary parking spots at the top of the hill.

- If you had requested **parking**, you will pick up your parking permit at Registration and move your car immediately to Lot 2 (or 9)

Tuesday Reception :Lislehurst (22) is at the end of Principal Road off North Road just a little further along than the North Building

South Building (02)

- ABLE headquarters & registration Wednesday– Friday: **SB2068B**
- New Member Breakfast Wednesday 7am **Faculty Club**
- Wednesday light breakfast for returning ABLE members **SB2068B**
- Thursday & Friday breakfast for all: **Faculty Club**
- Wet lab-workshops Wednesday – Friday (most are on the 4th floor)
- Refreshment breaks Wednesday – Friday 4th floor hall near 4077

Wednesday-Friday computer lab and discussion-style workshops: CCT Building (05)

Wednesday noon hour business meeting & lunch: Kaneff Centre (03)

Monday guided campus tour (5pm)

If you arrive in time and want to explore the ‘wild’ areas of campus (meaning natural, not people or buildings!) with our ecologist Peter Kotanen, meet outside the main lobby entrance to Erindale Hall just before 5pm. This guided tour will be about 45-60 minutes. Wear shoes & cloths for traipsing through the woods.

Tuesday excursions

More free guided tours of out natural wildlife are at 10:00 AM, 2:00pm and 4:00 pm. Each tour will be about 45-60 minutes. Meet outside the main lobby entrance to Erindale Hall. Wear shoes & cloths for traipsing through the woods.

Tour U of T campus tour (pre-paid with your registration): Meet at 11:50am at the North Building circular driveway just up the hill from Erindale Hall. You will be back by 4pm.

Tuesday reception 6:00 – 8:00 pm: see information above.