

Inclusion & Accessibility Guide: Venue, Hotels and Childcare

The University of Winnipeg Campus strives to be an accessible campus; however there may be some areas where we fall short.

Getting Here

The airport is located within the city, and is about a 15 minute bus ride from campus/ downtown. Taxis are also available. As well as taxi services, Tapp Cars operates in Winnipeg.

Campus is widely accessible by public transportation/ buses, and these all have the ability to lower ramps. In rush hour, buses can get quite full and be standing room only.

The weather in Winnipeg is beautiful throughout the summer but we admit it can be unpredictable in late May. Please check the forecast prior to travel and plan accordingly.

Conference Venues

The main doors to enter Centennial Hall are in the centre of the campus layout. There is a ramp, and electrically assisted doors. Many of the other entrances have stairs with no ramps – we suggest using either the main entrance, or the Ellice Avenue entrance. The entrance across from the bus loop on Balmoral Street is unfortunately NOT accessible. If you are getting dropped off or need accessible parking, there are a limited number of accessible parking spaces on Spence Street, which also has an accessible entrance. Please see the campus Accessibility Map <https://www.uwinnipeg.ca/maps/docs/accessibility-map.pdf> for more details.

The majority of sessions will be held on the second floor of Manitoba Hall, which is connected to and can be accessed through Centennial Hall.

Escalators are the most visible way of accessing the second floor, but there are elevators which will be signed and indicated on maps.

Washrooms are available within close proximity of all of the event spaces. A fully wheelchair accessible washrooms with a swing lift is available on the first floor of Centennial Hall, with fob access. A fob for this washroom will be available at the registration desk during the conference.

Washrooms with button-access entrances and large stalls (but no swing lift) are available throughout campus. In particular, the washroom on the first floor of Centennial Hall, fourth floor of Manitoba Hall and second floor of Graham Hall, are closest in proximity to event spaces.

There are gender neutral washrooms on the first floor of Centennial Hall and second floor of Manitoba Hall.

For pumping parents, the closest private washroom with a chair and plug is on the first and second floor of the Axworthy Health and RecPlex. Room 3M70 has a private washroom with a chair but does not have an electrical plug.

Refreshment and reception areas during the conference will be one floor down, accessible by elevator or escalator, and clearly signed. The tables and chairs are movable, and we will ensure clear pathways. The food set up will be buffet, which we realize may be difficult for some people to navigate, and conference volunteers will be available to assist.

Reception Venue

PlugIn Gallery is located less than a block away from the University of Winnipeg, and across the street from the Holiday Inn. The reception space is accessible, and has wide hallways and accessible washrooms.

Airport

Winnipeg Richardson International Airport

240-2000 Wellington Avenue, Winnipeg, MB

Phone: 204.987.9402

TTL: 204.987.2732

Email: info@waa.ca

Airport Accessibility Information: <https://www.waa.ca/services/accessibility>

Public Transport

Navigo/ Bus Guide - <https://winnipegtransit.com/en/navigo>

Accessible Vehicle Rental

Move Mobility

888-657-4010

Accessible Taxi Companies

Dependable Dispatch Wheelchair Transportation

(204) 925-8885

All Access Taxi

[\(204\) 298-6663](tel:2042986663)

Dignity Taxi

204-333 -0100

Taxi Companies

Unicity Taxi

<https://www.unicitytaxi.mb.ca/>

204 925 3131

Duffy's Taxi

204-925-0101

Rideshare service

TappCar

1-204-202-3025

<https://www.tappcar.com/>

Primary Hotels (Rooms set aside)

Delta Hotels by Winnipeg Marriott (1.5km from University of Winnipeg)

350 St. Mary Avenue

204-942-0551

- Accessible guest rooms have a 32 inch wide opening
- Adjustable height hand-held shower wand
- Bathroom vanity in guest rooms for disabled person height
- Bathtub grab bars
- Bathtub seat
- Business center entrance
- Closed-caption TV
- Fitness center entrance
- Flashing door knocker available for disabled person
- Grab bars in bathroom
- Hotel has on site accessible self-parking
- Lowered electrical outlets
- Main entrance
- Meeting spaces
- No transfer showers available
- Pathway to registration desk
- Peephole in guest room for disabled person height (in ft)
- Pool entrances
- Registration desk
- Restaurants and lounges
- Route to accessible guest rooms is accessible

- Self-operating lifts or sloped entry
- Service animals allowed for persons with disabilities TTY/TTD compatible
- Telephone for hearing impaired
- Toilet seat in guest rooms for disabled person roll-in shower
- Property has elevators

Holiday Inn and Suites Winnipeg Downtown (180m from University of Winnipeg)

360 Colony Street, Winnipeg, MB

204-786-7011

- Wheelchair accessible entrance
- Wheelchair accessible lift

Alt Hotel Winnipeg (800m from University of Winnipeg)

310 Donald Street

431-800-4279

- Wheelchair accessible entrance
- Two accessible rooms available, one with a roll in shower and the other with a accessible bathtub.

UWinnipeg Downtown Hostel (500m from University of Winnipeg)

370 Langside Street

204-789-1486

- There are 4 accessible suites
- The building is wheelchair accessible through the south entrance.
- There is elevator access to the suites.
- Inside the suite, the furniture is lower in height, including the bed.
- The bathroom features a lowered sink, railings, and an accessible shower.
- The rate for the accessible suite is the same as the Single Room: \$68/night + taxes.

Secondary Hotels

Best Western Winnipeg Airport Hotel (4.5km from University of Winnipeg)

1715 Wellington Avenue

2040-775-9889

- Physically challenged rooms/facilities available
- Bathtub seat available

- Rails in bathroom available
- Wheelchair accessible available
- Closed-caption TV
- Raised toilet with grab bars available

Holiday Inn Winnipeg Airport West (7.9km from University of Winnipeg)

252 Portage Avenue

204 - 885 - 4478

- Newly renovated wheelchair accessible rooms
- Wheelchair accessible bathrooms including wheel-in showers.
- Adjoined to a regular guest room if more space is required.
- Fully furnished with overhead tracking for the purpose of lift and transfer ability anywhere within the rooms.
- The power unit and slings necessary to utilize the lift and transfer feature available can be rented on a daily basis from HomEquip, along with a variety of mobility solutions and bath safety items, as required.

AirBnB

Learn how to search for accessible listings here:

<https://www.airbnb.ca/help/article/2000/how-can-i-search-for-accessible-listings>

Drop In/Occasional Childcare Options

Kids & Company (1.8km from University of Winnipeg)

158 Fort Street

204-504-4289

winnipeg@kidsandcompany.com

- Cost: \$100/day/child
- Hours: Monday - Friday 7 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- Must book in advance (the earlier the better)
- Call or email to register

Military Family Resource Centre (10km from University of Winnipeg)

630 Wihuri Road

204-833-2500 Ext. 2491

Note: Military families get priority. Civilian families can book no more than 1 week in advance

- Cost:
 - **6 mos - 23 mos** 1/2 day: \$25 Full day: \$50,
 - **24 mos. -12 years** 1/2 day: \$20 Full day: \$40
- Hours:
 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 - Tuesday and Thursday: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m
- Call to register