UNB is full of little secrets

From mystery buildings to tunnels deep beneath the campus

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Welcoming Frosh to UNB always seems to be such a thankless task.

From those poor Red-shirted people who wave at every car entering the campus, to the thousand repeated questions answered by staff in the Registrar's Office, the Business Office, and the Student Union Office, it's not a job I would envy.

That being said, there's a lot to welcome frosh, er... students new to UNB. If there's one thing that I feel I have to convey to new students it's this: nothing is really what it seems. That's not just a cliché. That's the truth. A few examples:

• Sir Howard Douglas Hall is more commonly known as the Old Arts Building and the oldest building still in use in all of Canada. If you're wondering, it's the building with "King's College" on the front.

• There are several large maps around campus, but only one is up to date: the new one next to the Wu Conference Centre. Also, the numbers on the buildings don't match any of the numbers on the maps. The buildings have civic address numbers while the maps have buildings in alphabetical order.

• Though Tilley Hall and Carleton hall are physically attached together, you can only walk between the buildings through the basement.

• Head Hall, by contrast, shares floors across what is obviously several buildings.

• In front of the Law school, the sidewalk has a dip wide enough for cars while the sidewalk on the other side of the street has no dip for the road to the SUB.

• "Going to the LBR" can mean going to the Lady Beaverbrook Residence or the Lady Beaverbrook Rink. The rink is owned by the City of Fredericton and used mainly by St. Thomas' hockey team.

• Bonar Law was a prime minister of England born in New Brunswick and the Bonar Law- Bennet building has nothing to do with the Law School.

• There are tunnels beneath most of the buildings on campus but most are no longer accessible. Or are they???

• The campus radio station, CHSR-FM has the largest record library East of Montreal. That's not an idle boast, but it is incredible.

And the best secret: The Brunswickan is Canada's Oldest Official Student Publication and it's so simple to get involved you'll kick yourself for not finding out how. Drop by the SUB, Room 35, anytime and especially on Fridays at 12:30 pm.



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So... this is Sir Howard Douglas Hall? The Old Arts Building? King's College?

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One page left to write on your term essay and it's four o'clock in the afternoon. It's due at five and you're scrambling to find a computer. You're driving down the hill wondering where you can go to find a lab that *isn't* full?

If this situation doesn't sound familiar I'm sure that most of you will be in it at least once over your next couple of years here. To help prevent this from happening to you (well, at least the part about finding a computer), we're going to give you some tips that should help.

If you're looking for a computer to use, the first place to try is Head Hall near the bottom of the hill. They have a number of labs that are all general access – meaning any student can walk in and use them, no matter what faculty you're in. There are a total of five labs, four of which are on D-level and the other being on B-Level. The latter lab is newer and features the most desk space of them all giving you some work area for your papers. One advantage of being in Head Hall is that the Helpdesk is located on D-level and is open until midnight, seven days a week, to answer any questions that you may have. The other bonus of being down there is that the five labs are all open until midnight, with two even being open until 2:00am.

If you're up by Tilley, there are two labs available in room T201; if these are full try the fourth floor. This is a little known lab (T404) that used to have old machines in it but now has great computers and is rarely full.

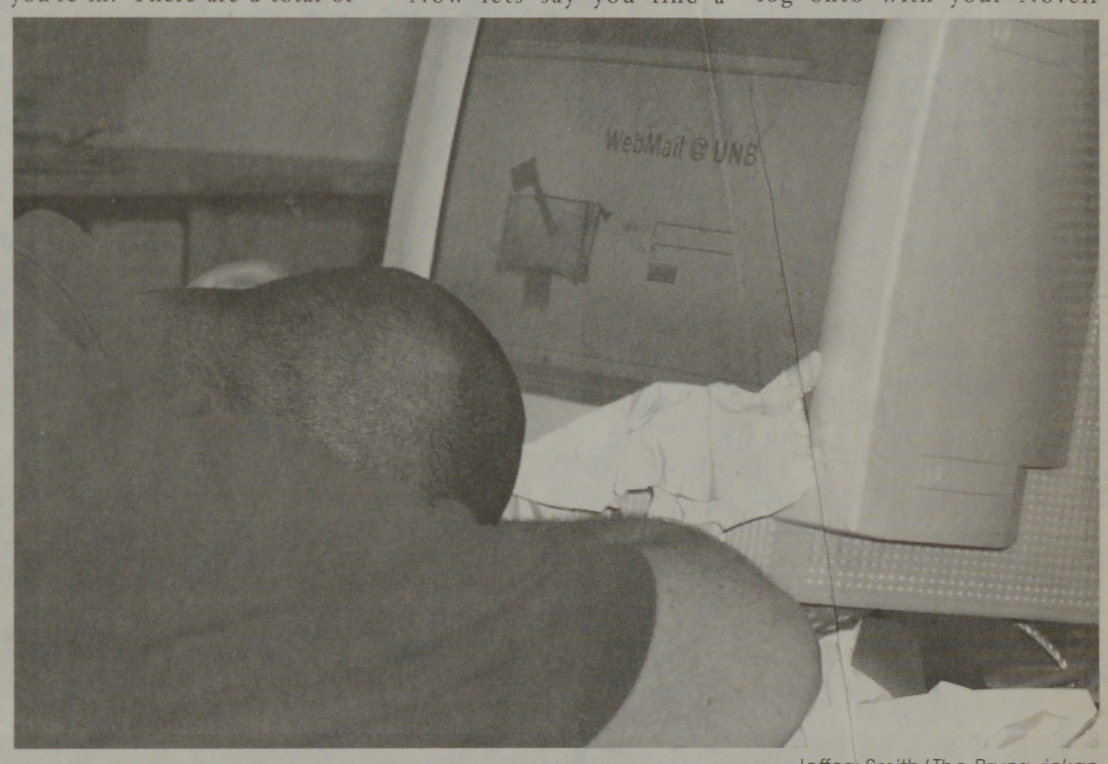
If you're really stuck you can also borrow a laptop from the Harriet Irving Library, which has a wireless network installed for laptop access. They currently have ten IBM ThinkPad laptops and are looking to expand their service this year with the addition of 25 more. These laptops have all the software that a regular lab computer would have, with the only restriction being that you cannot leave the library while you have the laptop signed out.

Now lets say you find a computer, power it on and it doesn't work correctly. The first thing to do is power it off. If pressing the power button doesn't work, press the power button for six seconds and if that still doesn't do it, pull the power cord out of the back (that always works). Next proceed to make sure that all of the cables are plugged in the back of the computer securely and power back on the system.

If you still have problems, you can always 'refresh' the computer. Refreshing a computer wipes everything that is on it (including any viruses), and restores it to the way it was when it was first placed in the lab. To refresh a computer, power it off - then on, and when it prompts you to "Press 'N' to boot to the network", press N. You will eventually be presented with F:\> and at this point type, "login refresh" without the quotes. You will see a progress bar go to 100% and eventually after 5-15 minutes, the computer will automatically reboot and voila!, you have a computer to use which is in great shape.

When using any computer at UNB, remember to save your files to your personal network drive (F:\>). Any files that you save here will be available to you on any computer that you log onto with your Novell account. Do *not* save your files on the computer as they may be deleted or viewed by anyone else who uses it. It is also a good idea to save your work on a ZIP or floppy disk just incase the network is unavailable when you really need those files.

Hopefully these tips will save you time and some grief in the future. If you need more information, you can check out the Integrated Technology Services website at http://www.unbf.ca/its/students/ or pick up a 'Green Book' at the IT Helpdesk (D-level, HeadHall, room D61) which has all of the information that is available on the website in a handy booklet form.



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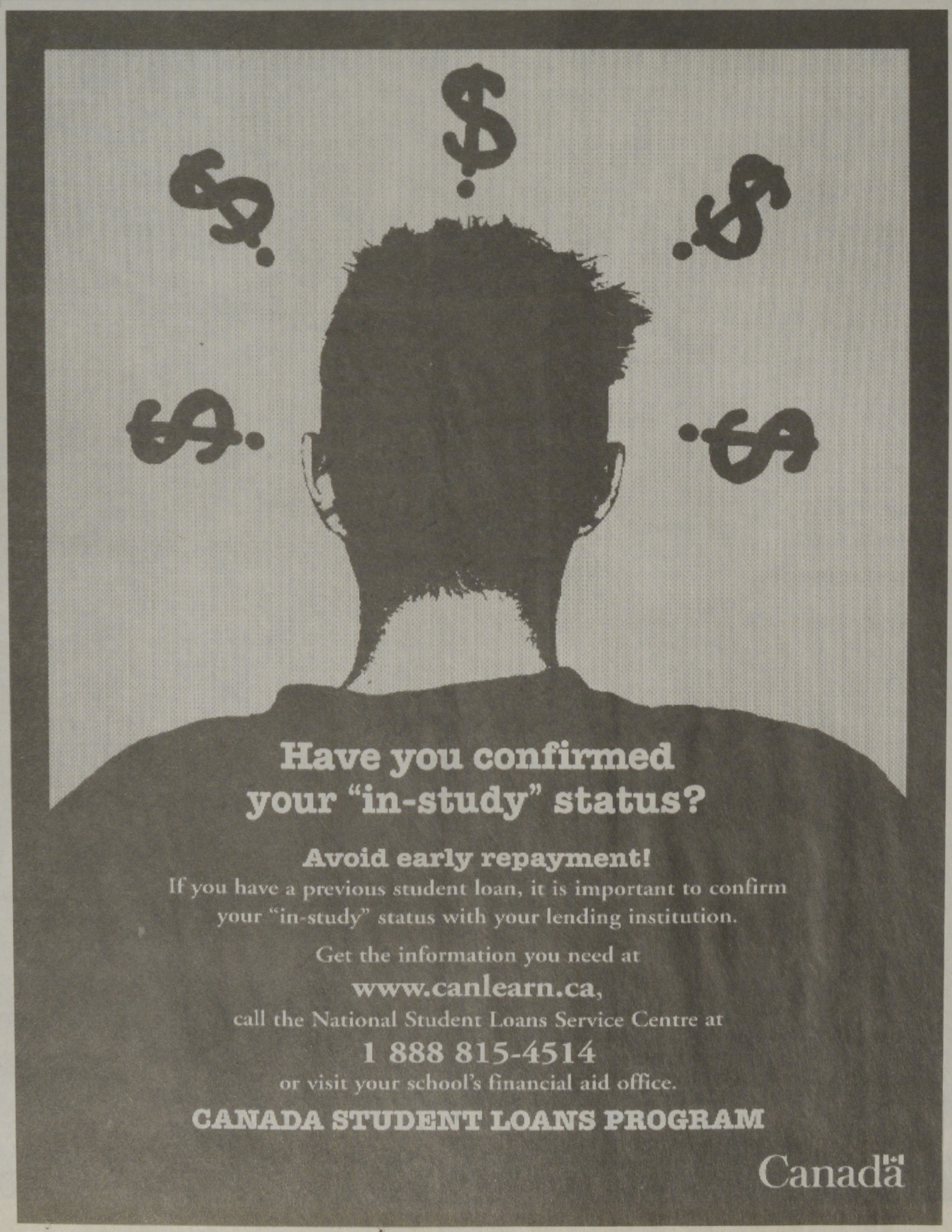
This is why it's so hard to get a spot in the computer labs on campus.



Preschool Program

Starting in September the UNB Early Childhood Centre will be offering a Preschool Program 5 mornings a week for 4 year olds.

For more information and registration call 453-5024.

http://cspace.unb.ca/edfac/ecc/what/index.html

