

Arthur A. Wishart Library Intellectual Freedom/Censorship Policy

The Arthur A. Wishart library is committed to upholding the rights of Intellectual Freedom as stated in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Article 19. This states the following:

Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers (UN General Assembly, 1948).

The library's existing and future collections & resources will continue to provide a wide range of perspectives and points of view to support academic freedom. The library will, to the best of its ability, maintain a neutral position.

Censorship Policy

The library will, to the best of its ability, support and advocate for the right to information, the freedom to read in all formats available and the right to free expression through speech or text.

The Intellectual Freedom Toolkit below provides statements from National and International organizations that support all libraries and their responsibilities to uphold these principles.

Canadian Federation of Library Associations/Fédération canadienne des associations de bibliothèques <u>Intellectual Freedom Toolkit</u>

Ontario Library Association Positions Statements are included here, for additional information.

Ontario Library Association Position Statements

Intellectual Freedom/Censorship Policy Concerns

Please contact <u>library@algomau.ca</u> or call 705-949-2101 with any concerns you may have regarding these policies.