Hi, my name is Chris Popovic and I'm a research and scholarship librarian. McLaughlin library is your research library and I wanted to invite graduate students and all of the community to use your library and I want you to understand something very important. When I say it's your library, it's yours, it's there for you. We built it for you. It's staffed for you. We put the stuff in there for you and the services for you, so please, avail yourself of what we have on offer and ask for help because there's plenty available from me and my colleagues.

In a time not of covid we would have between 120 and 160 staff members in the building to serve at any particular time. All of our services for the most part have been moved online. So that's certainly an option as well, and I'm happy to do appointments, as are my colleagues in Skype, Zoom, Teams, whatever is convenient for you - phonecall, email.

So I want to start by going through some of the things were going to talk about in the content outline. The most important thing is how to get help. If you take nothing else away from what we're talking about today, please know that there's a variety of resources of help available. We'll go through them in some detail and repeatedly, so forgive me if it's a bit repetitious, but it is the most important part of what we're talking about today. I'm also going to give you a sense of what research and scholarship does, what an overview of our services.

We have been as a unit specifically designed to help with research and dissemination, so very much targeting graduate students, postdocs, and faculty. That's what we do, so that's what I do. So we'll go through some specific resources and some high level resources and we'll drill down a little bit deeper on some of those things, and it's always possible to drill down much deeper, OK, and then we'll revisit a variety of help available, again, ad nauseam, but it's very important, and then we'll look at some additional resources as well. OK So how to get help? This will be the 4th time I've talked about this and we're going to do about 7 or 8 by the end. Bear with me.

Right so, there are a variety of help available, a little less in person help than there used to be, but we will likely come back to that at some point in the future. I want you to understand that even if you're not sure what kind of help you need, if you have questions or you're confused, not about the academic trajectory of your project, that's your supervisor, but if you're concerned about tools or venues to discuss, the research that you doing or to... whether that's a conference or journal, we can help you look at some of those and decide if they are right for you. That's going to be again up to you, but we can certainly help with those different pieces.

And in addition to, you know, specific publishing and author support, conference analysis, that kind of thing, we also offer Maps, GIS and data support, information literacy support, that's my
old job and those folks are great if you are doing a systematic review or any kind of literature review. Really a good idea to dig in with those people. Learning Services and Writing Services, they are just like they sound. Learning services is things like procrastination and time management, just something that I have availed myself of, and Writing Services if you're having difficulty writing or organizing your thoughts, or if English is not your first language. There are a variety of types of help available from the Writing Services folks who are great.

We also have a math and stats statistical help and analysis with the both the software and the analytical portion of that in house. But there's also a math stats lab upstairs. Just drop by in on the third floor, when it's open, it's not currently, but it will be at some point in the future I'm sure. OK, so let's look at the unit that I work for, which is Research and Scholarship.

So Research and Scholarship in the library, the Research and Scholarship team, and I'm a research and scholarship librarian, it's mouth full, but it's what I do. We support and contribute to the work of researchers and research teams on campus, and we offer a variety of services to you, the researcher. And I'll just go through a couple of those.

So, Research and Scholarship support - here's an overview. We can help you with authors' rights, copyright publishing, open scholarship support, including Tri Agency Open Access policy compliance, that is changing and becoming a bit more rigorous, so that's something to keep an eye on and something that I'm happy to discuss.

We can talk about open education resources, again that's Open Access Resources designed, not specifically for research, but for teaching. And if you are a TA, or if you've picked up a class or two to teach as a graduate student, that is one important way that you can help your students and other teachers.

And of course, the Atrium, which is the thesis and dissertation repository. We have support that is going to be a requirement as a graduate student that you deposit your thesis/dissertation in our repository. But there's all kinds of other good stuff in there, and anything else that you make, we'd be happy to help you ingest that into our repository and make that widely available. It helps disseminate the work that you're doing.

We can help you with your research profile support, including researcher IDs, Bibliometrics, Altametrics, Santo metrics. Online exhibition, support, data collection and creation, including field research, numeric geospatial researcher data - all kinds of data support and analysis, including qualitative, quantitative, and geospatial. We can help you also with visualization and research data management or RDM, as well as preservation conventions, file formats.

We can also help you with authors' rights, copyright and publishing. Now that's my area. We can help protect your rights as an author and help you sort out copyright, author addenda to help ensure that your retaining your rights and that you're not finding yourself in conflict between your requirements from your funder and your requirements from your University that you must deposit your thesis, and any contract it might sign with an academic publisher looking for exclusive rights, which of course you cannot grant, so we can help you navigate
that and that's an area of particular interest for me. As well as intellectual property which is copyright subset of, and embargos, embargos on the publishing, which can be up to a year if you're federally funded, meaning you have SSHRC, NSERC or CIHR funding.

OK, move on. Right. So, we also offer a variety of open scholarship support. I'm not going to read every word on the page here, but every word is important, so we put it here so that's available to you. Most important takeaway is that we're eager to support both our communities, desire to share their work publicly, as well as to improve our own processes to increase knowledge in the commons, that's the academic or learning commons.

Currently, the library supports open initiatives in a variety of ways. And I've listed some of those things just to highlight them. We have repositories. We can help with the technology we have consultations. We offer financial support and not to individual authors on campus, but to organizations that work to promote and encourage and develop technology to make open a larger part of the academic publishing ecosystem. We also put 1% of our budget, which is no small amount, towards open initiatives, specifically funding those agencies. And we work with the Office of Research to develop an institutional research management strategy.

We can help with the researcher profile support, including researcher identifiers - Orchid, Google Scholar IDs, that kind of thing, and research metrics. I mentioned Bibliometrics, Altmetrics, and Scientometrics basically analyze the impact of particular article or suite of articles or network of authors. It's all very interesting and cool stuff again, that's me and I'm happy to talk at length, probably longer than you want about that particular subject, it's quite interesting.

We can also help you with data collection and creation, including supporting your field research, web surveys, and access to data resources, some of which are very specialized, numeric and researcher data, certainly, but the geospatial stuff. We have some excellent people who are well versed in the tools ArcGis, among others, and can help both with the technology and also with presenting and understanding some of the data that you're looking at.

Again, data analysis, quantitative, qualitative, geospatial. And we can do that by appointment, but there's all kinds of electronic resources available. And data visualization, so you come up with all of this brilliant stuff, it's all in your head, but how do you explain it to people? We can help you with that.

We can help you build, help you understand the tools so you can build it yourself. We can also help you decide which is the best tool to help visualize that data and present a compelling argument for the research that you've done.

Then again, you want to keep all of that stuff and keep it safe for future generations and available for folks to use. So research data management and preservation is a core feature of what we do and we have several staff dedicated exclusively to that.
We can also help with digital scholarship, and online exhibition support. There's a variety of those supports listed there, and one thing I want to come back to as we talked about a few times. If you're not sure if we can help you with it, ask us and we probably know whether or not that's available on campus, even if we don't do it in our unit or in our library. We can point you at a resource that can help, even if it's not one of ours. And we will often do that.

So that's the list of the things that we do once again for the 42nd time. I just want to remind everyone that please do ask for help if you're not sure if you need help, it's better to ask than not ask. We will refer you out to whoever can help you if you have asked the wrong person, but we would rather you ask the wrong person than didn't ask at all. And of course, if you're sure where you want to go, there's a variety of supports available and they are listed on our website.

Here's a few other resources that may help. There are thousands more and I'm happy to help with any of the ones that you think may help you with your projects. I want to welcome everyone to the University of Guelph. I'm sure you've heard this many times, but I particularly like working with graduate students and faculty, and that's why I've gravitated to this part of librarianship, and I hope to see you. Please do ask if you need any help. That is what we're here for, and it's what we like to do. Thanks, have a good day.

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