

## CAMPUS

# Campus card machine finally up and running again

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The campus card machine should now be up and running after a string of bad luck in the last few months. The staff at the ID Centre in the Young Sports Centre were taking photos at the first of the year, but were unable to print the cards as they had not come in yet.

There was a backlog of about 1,000 photos ready to be printed by the time the cards arrived. When the staff tried to print all the backlogged cards, the printer broke, probably due to the over-excessive use in a short period of time.

The staff then tried to use the back-up machine, which broke shortly after.

"Technology is wonderful when it's working," said Janice Robertson, Program and Facilities Director.

This has been causing some problems for some first year students who are not aware how necessary the card is. If first year students don't live in residence, they often don't get the information they need.

"Well I knew I needed one, I just didn't know how important it was, that you would need it for everything. Had

I known, I would have gotten it over the summer for sure," said Rebecca Walsh, a first year arts student.

She wasn't aware she needed the campus card until she went to the library and was not allowed to take material out on reserve or borrow books.

So she went down to the photo centre to get her photo taken for the card, where she learned it was broken and wouldn't be fixed for a few more weeks.

Walsh was told the library was aware the printer was broken and if she had her license and student number handy, they would let her borrow material.

"So then I walked in the rain to the library. I picked out my books out and went to take them out. The lady at the library desk said they weren't doing that anymore."

Walsh was then passed on to another library staff member who eventually let her take out books.

Another problem Walsh ran into was buying her books. She had to charge her books to her credit card because she didn't have a campus card.

## Have you Gotten Your campus Card?

If you didn't get your campus card yet, read the following:

To obtain your UPEI Campus Card, visit the ID Centre in the Young Sports Centre during regular Sports Centre hours

([http://www.upei.ca/athletic/html/hours\\_operation.html](http://www.upei.ca/athletic/html/hours_operation.html)) of call the Front Desk at 902-566-0368. Your first card is given to you free of charge. Please note that there is a \$10 fee for a replacement card.

New Students, Faculty and Staff must provide the following to obtain their Campus Card:

- Valid driver's license or Passport
- One piece of non-photo identification (birth certificate, SIN card, credit card) or a valid UPEI Student/Employee Number.
- Please note that in the short term, the Campus Card will not replace current proximity-based access cards.

A Campus Card will also be issued to off-campus users (Community users) at a cost of \$10.

Other issues some students may run into include:

- \* Needing the card for meal plans at the cafeteria
- \* Going to the sports centre gym
- \* Swimming at the CARI pool
- \* Using residence laundry facilities
- \* Gaining access to restricted on-campus buildings

Robertson said UPEI staff have been doing their best to accommodate students without a card. If a student needs to go to the gym, use the CARI facility or attend a Wave function, the staff at the ID Centre require an ID number and identification and they will write up a temporary card for a single use.

Although some students honestly weren't aware the cards are necessary, there are still some who have yet to go to the sports centre to pick them up Robertson said.

She said students can go down and pick up their cards or get their photos taken any time during the regular sports centre hours.

The 25 or so cards waiting to be printed should be ready within a few days.

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