

Orillia Campus and Offices

Welcome to Lakehead University's Orillia Campus. Lakehead prides itself on its [accessibility, openness, and environmental stewardship](#). Programs and services offered at both 500 University Avenue and at Heritage Place in downtown Orillia reflect these key core values.

Buildings at 500 University Avenue, Orillia comprise Canada's first Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (**LEED®**) university campus. **Simcoe Hall**, the main academic building and first phase of the Orillia campus, is built to **LEED® Platinum** Standards, and demonstrates the University's commitment to environmental sustainability. These University Avenue buildings are also specifically designed to offer an abundance of both primary and secondary natural light.

At the building's opening in 2010, Dr. Kim Fedderson connected its design to pedagogical ideals: "We have a particular philosophy of education at Lakehead that is inquiry-based and interdisciplinary. This building was designed with that in mind – it's student-centred." Students are encouraged to ask questions and make connections, and staff and faculty work hard to enable these processes.

The **Heritage Place** building is the restored Tudhope building in downtown Orillia. Constructed in 1909, Heritage Place stands as an important example of early 20th century industrial architecture. This building has distinctive charm resulting from exposed brick and hemlock timbers, but it also has many modern features, as it has been retrofitted to enable the same inquiry-based, student-centred approaches to university education.

With the above information in mind, Faculty and Staff are encouraged to keep office spaces accessible, organized, and welcoming, to demonstrate the professional, open, and interconnected relationships at the heart of university life and a healthy and respectful workplace for all, and foundational to the vision for the Orillia Campus.