



Academic Space Overview

Academic Space

- Is used primarily for teaching and conducting research by members of the UBC Faculty of Medicine
- Includes over 1.5 M sf of space across health authority and university sites
- Is assigned to, and managed by over 30 academic departments and schools, administrative units, research centres and institutes
- Allocations are maintained in an inventory and reported to the Ministry of Health annually

Academic Space Inventory

Maintaining an accurate space inventory has the following benefits:

- Promotes communication between users & administrators
- Keeps all parties apprised of current space and facility issues in a timely manner
- Reduces the time and effort involved in project planning
- Facilitates strategic planning and space planning initiatives
- Helps to identify opportunities for interdepartmental collaboration
- Provides leverage to support budgets and funding requests
- Demonstrates that public resources are being used effectively & efficiently

Inventory uses include: space planning, accreditation reports, departmental reviews, strategic planning, program reviews, functional programming, capital projects, research reports, etc.

Types of Academic Space

Teaching Spaces include any facility used to hold teaching and learning sessions

Examples include:

- lecture theatres, classrooms, seminar rooms, teaching labs, clinical skills rooms, PBL rooms, exam rooms

Student/Trainee support spaces include any space used to support student learning activities

Examples include:

- library / study areas, resident rooms, on-call rooms, lockers, student lounges

Research Spaces include any space used to conduct or support research activities by UBC Investigators.

Examples include:

- dry labs, wet labs, hot labs, equipment rooms, shared core spaces

Administrative Spaces include any space used to conduct or support administrative functions.

Examples include:

- Offices, touchdown spaces, resource (copy/mail) rooms, reception, meeting spaces

Contact Us

The inventory is managed by the Faculty of Medicine through its Space Planning and Facilities Management Unit in collaboration with Departments and Site Administrators.

Contact the Space Inventory Manager (jamie.witt@ubc.ca) or the Planner (momoko.tojo@ubc.ca) with any questions. For additional information refer to the team's website: <http://facilities.med.ubc.ca/>