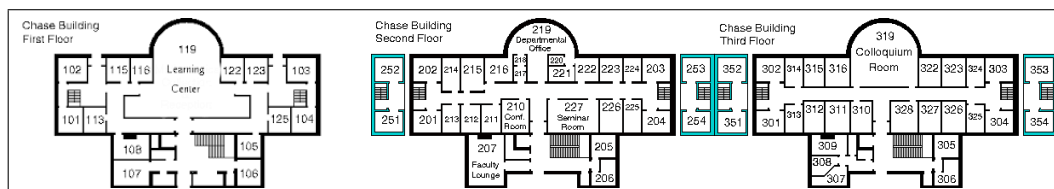


1 Conference Venue

Dear participants of *Symmetry, Invariants, and their Applications*. On behalf of the organizing committee, I would like to welcome you to the Department of Mathematics and Statistics of Dalhousie University. The department is located in the Chase building on the main Dalhousie campus. The conference talks will take place on the 3rd floor, in room 319. The department office is located on the 2nd floor. The staff will be happy to direct you and to answer any questions.

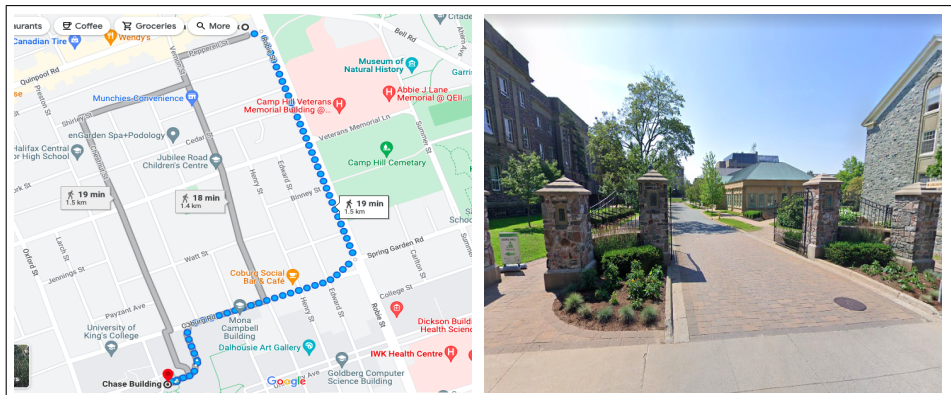


The department lounge is located on the 2nd floor of Chase. Feel free to make use of the lounge white board and kitchen facilities during your visit. On the 1st floor, just opposite the main entrance, is the Mathematics Learning Centre. The centre is equipped with study desks and white boards. Regular building hours are 8AM-8PM.



The Howe Hall residence is adjacent to the Chase building. The Atlantica Hotel is a 20 minutes walk away. Starting at the hotel, walk south on Robie, then turn right onto Coburg. The campus will come into view on your left. Continue through the main entrance onto the

Lord Dalhousie Drive. The Chase building is located about 100 meters past the main gate on your left.



The link below has additional maps and information:

<https://www.dal.ca/campus-maps/maps.html>

2 Registration and Local Information

A registration desk will operate in the lobby of the Chase building on arrival day, August 2 from 2-4PM. There will also be someone in the lobby of the Atlantica hotel from 3-4 PM to register participants and to answer questions. The registration desk will reopen on Wednesday morning at 8AM in the Chase lobby. Throughout your stay, you can reach me (Robert Milson, local organizer) via rmilson@dal.ca or 1-902-441-4066.

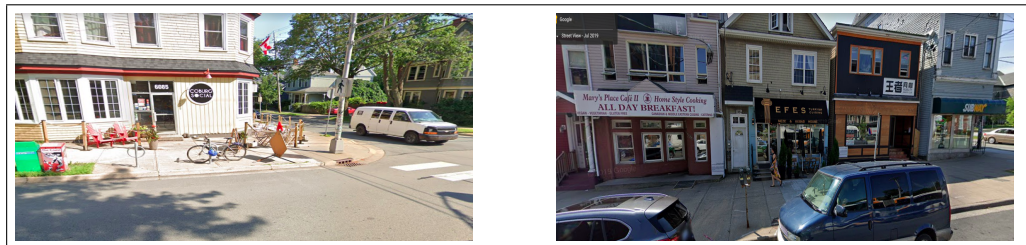
WiFi is available everywhere on campus via the eduroam network. For those without eduroam, we will make an effort to provide a guest account on the university network. Connection details will become available on Wednesday, August 3.

There are limited lunch options on campus during the summer months, but many off-campus eateries are just a short walk away.

1. Tim Horton's in the Life Science Centre can be reached via a tunnel in the basement of Chase. After exiting the tunnel, turn right and walk about 50 meters to the common area of the Life Sciences Centre.
2. The atrium of the Killam Memorial Library has Subway and Second Cup franchises that operate in the summer. The atrium can be reached via the aforementioned tunnel or via the main overground entrance. The SUB (student union building) offers additional lunch options. Consult a campus map for directions.



3. The Coburg Café is a short walk from campus. One passes it on the right on the way from Atlantica. The menu is typical coffeeshop fare: sandwiches, soups, pastries.
4. The corner of Robie and Coburg is 10 minutes from Chase and has a good selection of restaurants.



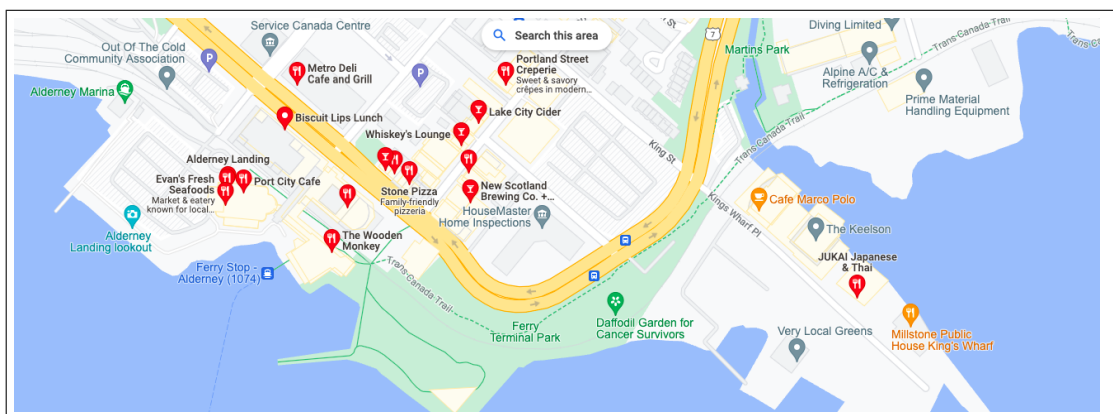
5. If you get takeaway, be sure to check out the “sky lounge” located on the 8th floor of the Life Sciences Building. It’s a small study

area with a beautiful south-facing view of the Halifax peninsula. The elevator to the lounge is located next to the Tim Horton's in the aforementioned Life Sciences Centre. Extra points for participants that discover and explore the Thomas McCulloch Museum on route.

For those who prefer to enjoy their takeaway in the open, there are numerous outside benches located around the Life Sciences building, the library and the university quad.

3 Reception and Excursions

The conference will host the following events on the evenings of August 3,4,5. On Wednesday, August 3 (weather permitting) we plan to take the ferry to Alderney's Landing in Dartmouth. The Dartmouth side offers stunning views of the Halifax skyline and a number of restaurants open for dinner. There will be two transit tickets in the registration packet that can be used for the metro buses and the ferry. Stay tuned for an announcement with additional details.



The conference poster session and reception will take place at the Atlantica Hotel on Thursday, August 4 from 17:30-19:00. There will be some complimentary snacks. Drinks will be available via a cash bar;

each participant will receive 1 complimentary drinks ticket in their registration packet. The reception will be followed by the conference banquet at 19:00 at the same location.

On Friday, August 5 at 17:00 we will visit the York Redoubt national historic site. As an alternative (weather permitting), we are also organizing a nature walk at the Herring Cove Provincial Park — located 5 minutes from the redoubt. Both the tour and the walk take about 1 hour. The return trip is scheduled for 19:00 and takes about 15 minutes. Participants should be back in town by 19:30. The nature walk is mildly rigorous. The ground is broken and uneven; expect rocks, thistles and the occasional muddy patch. Walkers are encouraged to wear long pants and closed shoes.

