Ahhh, yes, it's nearing the end of the semester, time for exams and papers. Between roommates and other distractions, home is not always the most conducive to studying or getting real work accomplished. If you are looking for a quiet place to cram for exams why not try the library. The Tower floors 6 - 9 are designated quiet study floors. There should be no group study, loud conversations or talking on cell phones on these floors. Find a secluded spot, pull out your books or laptop (remember there is wireless available throughout the building) and start you study session.

Are you looking for a good spot to meet a partner for a study session or to work on a group project? The library has many options, including technology enhanced collaborative spaces. In the tower, floors 2-5 are designated as group study floors. Your best bet for a large group is on the 2nd floor – here you’ll find a couple large rooms with a podium for presentation practice, a PC, a large plasma screen, and a white board. There is a also large room on the 5th but its often used by the library staff during the day. For smaller groups of less than 4 people, each tower floor 2-8 offer a small room, all with a PC and plasma screen.

All these rooms have the capability for you use and switch your laptops to display on the plasma screen to your whole group. These rooms are first come first serve, but can be reserved using our online scheduler. (see the links from this podcast for details) Just remember even if the room was empty when you popped in it, if someone has it reserved, you will be asked to leave, so you might want to reserve a room yourself

The Information Commons area across from the Check Out Desk, offer collaborative work spaces too. There are a couple areas for larger groups, up to 7 people with a PC, a large plasma display, and a white board and there are 3 areas for smaller groups with a PC and monitor.

Most of these and all the public workstations that require your UNCG Novell Login, include software such as Microsoft Office, Adobe Reader, Windows Media, Flashplayer, QuickTime, Adobe Photoshop, Dreamweaver, and Endnote.

Time to refuel? Food and drink are allowed in the library and vending machines are in the basement, just please clean up after yourself and recycle what you can.

If you happen to be a night owl, remember you can use Jackson Library by showing a valid UNCG ID, between 12:00 midnight and 7:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday. Check the website to verify the hours and days

If you find you have a lot of research to do, think about renting a carrels or a locker in the library. They are available to UNCG students and faculty for the each academic term. You can check out lots of materials and store them in the library, so you dont have to lug around campus.

Good luck with wrapping up your semester and hope you find the library a good place to get your last minute work completed!