As part of a series of construction projects on north campus, the Seeley G. Mudd Library building will close for renovation March 25, 2016, and will remain closed until September 2017.

Note that March 25th falls after finals week of winter quarter as well as the intersession period. All students and faculty on north campus will continue to have full access to all services, study spaces, rental lockers and library collections currently housed in Mudd until then.

Here are the changes that students and faculty can expect on March 25th:

- Finding my librarian: All library services and research assistance will be moved to University and Deering libraries until the project concludes. Some subject specialists may be available elsewhere on campus for meetings and consultations. Contact your personal librarian (bit.ly/myNUlibrarian) for specifics.
- Getting a book: All circulating collections will be available through University Library, as well as services for reserving and checking out books, interlibrary loan and course reserves.
- Finding study space: A number of classrooms will be available in the Technological Institute to serve as study space. Follow Northwestern Libraries on Facebook or check bit.ly/freshmudd for an updated list.
- Using a computer: Additional computers will be made available at University Library for users of Mudd’s computers and licensed software.
- Returning a book: Northwestern Libraries will install a book drop on north campus at a location still to be determined. Follow Northwestern Libraries on Facebook or check bit.ly/freshmudd for updates. During the renovation, Mudd Library will be reconfigured to occupy a single floor. The three floors of the building where it resides will expand their footprint by 75%, while two upper floors will be added to the structure, making room for state-of-the-art research laboratories. The library will remain connected to the Technological Institute via the existing bridge, and a new ground-floor entrance will be added on the north side.

When reopened, Mudd will provide the ample space for study and collaboration that students enjoy in the current library. It will offer all the same services, such as interlibrary loan pickups, research consultations and book requests. In addition, designers are planning new spaces and services for the space, from a GIS mapping software lab, a maker space for creative projects and a "one-button studio" for simple video recording.

“We know this extended closure is an inconvenience to our students, faculty and staff who make regular use of Mudd Library,” said Dean of Libraries Sarah Pritchard. “In the end, though, this will be a major improvement for the library and how it serves north campus. We’re confident that when our users see the beautiful finished facility, and see how we are making their service the central tenet of the redesign, they will agree that the inconvenience was worth it.”

Mudd Library is a popular destination on north campus. Students and faculty make more than 100,000 visits each quarter, whether for research or for serious study time. The newly renovated library will remain a conveniently located and essential destination for north campus students when it reopens.