

University Libraries

Uniquely positioned at the intersection of information, technology, and innovation, the University Libraries engage with local and global partners to foster student-centered learning and to support internationally recognized research. The libraries are wonderful gathering places to pursue scholarly research, to learn about and use information technology, to write, to study, and to draw on a rich collection of print and electronic resources. Here you will find just about everything you need to collaborate and create new knowledge for the 21st century: almost 2 million volumes, tens of thousands of movies and songs, maps, rare books, electronic books, microfilms, and approximately 600 online databases containing millions of articles from tens of thousands of online journals, newspapers, government reports, and more. You can access many of these resources right from home by accessing online books, streaming videos, journals, newspapers, historical documents, photographs, and other materials. In addition, as an FIU student you have privileges at most other libraries in south Florida and at the libraries of all other institutions in the State University System of Florida.

To help you with your research needs, our librarians will gladly assist you in person, by phone, by email, and by live chat and SMS/text; in collaboration with subject librarians, we will work with you one-on-one, showing you how to navigate resources, assist with search strategies, and provide research consultations for in-depth projects. Group instruction is provided for classes by request, and in consultation with faculty, and via open workshops on focused topics such as citation and bibliography management. The libraries offer a variety of technology options, including wireless internet access, mobile devices, laptop checkout, free high-quality document scanning, and color photocopying/printing. Drop by and have your computing questions answered at the Division of IT help desk or consult with skilled tutors at the Center for Excellence in Writing. The libraries also house world-renowned digital collections including the Digital Library of the Caribbean (dLOC) and the Everglades Digital Library; state-of-the-art Geographic Information Systems (GIS) labs; the Latin American and Caribbean Center; and Special Collections. Through the newly created Digital Scholar Studio, the libraries also offer active-learning spaces as well as digital scholarship services and training on topics such as web publishing, digital exhibit building, and other digital scholarship tools and technologies.

In keeping with FIU's core value – student-centered service – the libraries have study rooms, late and/or overnight hours, group- and quiet-study spaces, collaborative-learning areas, disability access, and cafés. Many areas have been redesigned and renovated to provide state-of-the-art technology hubs, complete with ubiquitous wireless computing, small-group presentation rooms, open-area collaboration zones, HDTV media viewing and listening rooms, flexible modular furniture, and many other features designed to accommodate the way students collaborate, study, and use information.

Visit our locations: the Green Library on the Modesto A. Maidique Campus, the Hubert Library on the Biscayne Bay Campus, the Engineering Library Service Center, and online at library.fiu.edu.