The NC State Libraries

The NC State Libraries’ website (http://www.lib.ncsu.edu) is a rich source of information and serves as a gateway to resources and services.


The Libraries’ collections reflect the strengths of the university across disciplines. We provide demand-driven, network-based collections to the campus community in support of research and teaching. We are recognized as a national leader in building extensive collections in the areas of engineering, science, technology, and agriculture. The collection contains over 5.3 million volumes of books, bound journals, and government documents; over 128,000 print and electronic serial subscriptions; over 1.2 million e-books; 635 full-text databases in all disciplines and extensive digital collections; numerous video, audio, and multimedia titles; unique and rare materials in the Special Collections Research Center. The Libraries’ participation in the Triangle Research Libraries Network (TRLN) provides convenient access to the collections of Duke University, UNC-Chapel Hill, and NC Central University.

Key spaces at the libraries include:

• Learning Commons, Faculty Research Commons, Graduate Student Commons
• Large-scale, immersive visualization spaces
• Digital media creation facilities
• Dataspace with advanced computing, software, training, and consultation (Hunt)
• A Game Lab for the scholarly study and enjoyment of games and for interactive workshops and demonstrations
• iPearl Immersion Theater for panoramic display of faculty and student work (Hunt)
• Makerspaces offering 3D printing and scanning and other specialized tools
• Special Collections Reading Room and Exhibit Gallery (Hill)

The James B. Hunt Jr. Library (https://www.lib.ncsu.edu/hunt-library/) on Centennial Campus is more than the 21st-century face of NC State. It’s a place where ideas become reality and bold ambition forges beautiful solutions to global challenges.

The Libraries website (http://www.lib.ncsu.edu) provides information about and access to many services, including reference assistance, interlibrary loan, and electronic reserves. Library Course Tools (http://www.lib.ncsu.edu/course/) web pages are available for every course offered at NC State. These customized pages include e-reserves, article databases, librarian recommendations, citation tools, IM a Librarian for help, and more. The Libraries’ Course Books on Reserves program makes over 4,500 required texts available on Course Reserves each year.

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