Library Services

The Robert W. Van Houten Library (http://library.njit.edu/), NJIT’s university library, is located in the Central Avenue Building (CAB), a facility for studying, researching, and browsing print and online resources. In 1997, the Van Houten Library opened the Information Commons, a computer lab with access to the internet and a wide range of electronic resources. Today, there are over 120 computer workstations and wireless access throughout the building.

The Barbara and Leonard Littman Architecture & Design Library (http://archlib.njit.edu/), a branch of the university’s library is located in Weston Hall. Littman Library maintains a core collection of architecture, art and design information materials: books, journals, and various media. Maps, architectural drawings and models are accessible in the Littman Library, which also incorporates the Digital Scholarship Lab and Materials Library - a collection of materials samples.

Collection

The library collection comprises over 390,000 volumes of books, journals, conference proceedings, reports, dissertations, and theses. The libraries spend over 90% of its materials budget to acquire electronic resources to full-text content that are accessible anytime and anywhere. Electronic resources include ACM Digital Library, Academic Search Premier, Avery Index, Business Source Premier, Factiva, IEEE Xplore, New York Times Online, ProQuest Academic Complete electronic books, Science Direct, Scopus, SciFinder Scholar, SPIE Digital Library, SpringerLink (includes Lecture Notes in Computer Science), Wiley Online Library and many more (http://library.njit.edu/resources.php).

Getting Started

Access to print and electronic resources starts at the library home page, http://library.njit.edu (http://library.njit.edu/). Subject access to the journal literature in engineering, science, computer science, management, architecture, and other subject areas is provided by a variety of electronic databases.

Learning Space

The library strives to help students do their best work by providing a variety of individual and collaborative study spaces, including designated quiet study areas. See more about library services (http://library.njit.edu/services/).

Research and Instruction

Professional librarians provide instruction and consultation in all subject areas to enhance the students, faculty, and staff’ ability to connect efficiently with needed information. Help is available in person, by phone or via email, and through chat (http://library.njit.edu/researchhelpdesk/askus.php) during selected hours.

Resources Beyond NJIT

Students, faculty, and staff may supplement NJIT library resources by borrowing material from the Rutgers University-- John Cotton Dana Library, the Newark Public Library, the George F. Smith Library of the Health Sciences, and the other state colleges and university of New Jersey. Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery Services (http://library.njit.edu/services/illiad.php) can also bring needed materials to our researchers from anywhere in the world.

Special Collections and Archives

Included among NJIT’s information resources are the university’s historical archive for items developed and manufactured by Edward Weston--scientist, a prolific inventor, and a founding member of the board of trustees of the university. The university library maintains a collection of Dr. Weston’s books, papers and drawings in the Rare Book room that is available to scholars and others interested in the history of science and technology.

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