

# **GETTING STARTED at the NJIT Library**

library.njit.edu

# Q: Where are the NJIT Libraries? See campus map at www.njit.edu/campustour

A: Most of the information available through the NJIT Library is available online. In addition, there are two print collections with study spaces and computers @ NJIT.

#### Van Houten Library at Central Avenue Building (CAB)

Website <a href="http://library.njit.edu">http://library.njit.edu</a>.

Mon – Thu 7:30am – 12 am (hours subject to change).

Fri 7:30am — 8:00pm Sat 10:00am — 9:00pm Sun 1:00pm — 12:00 am

\*hours subject to change (i.e., late nights mid-semester)

#### Littman Architecture Library at 456 Weston Hall

 Website: <a href="http://archlib.njit.edu/">http://archlib.njit.edu/</a>

 Mon - Thu
 8:00am - 8:30pm

 Fri
 8:00am - 6:00pm

 Sat
 12:00pm - 6:00pm

 Sun
 1:00 pm - 7:00pm

http://researchguides.njit.edu/introduction

#### Q: What can I access there?

A: Users can access electronic databases and e-books, journals and newspapers, as well as the catalog of NJIT's print resources, and web links to many other sources needed by students and faculty. Hours, policies, staff contacts, how-to, and other relevant information are posted at <a href="https://library.njit.edu">https://library.njit.edu</a>

# Q: Do I need a password?

A: Sometimes. For example, you never need a password to search the catalog for a book, but for remote access to library databases, electronic course reserves, and e-journals, your UCID and password are required. You also need an academic domain account to use a computer in the library. Go to <a href="http://ist.njit.edu/accounts/ucid.php">http://ist.njit.edu/accounts/ucid.php</a> to create an account.

! We recommend you try connecting remotely your first week.

### Q: How do I borrow books and other materials?

A: Users holding a validated NJIT ID card with a NJIT library barcode may request and borrow print materials from the NJIT libraries. You may also request articles and books not accessible at NJIT via Interlibrary Loan (ILL). ILL service can take from 1 day for electronic articles to 1-2 weeks for some books. Request items online on the Library website via the Interlibrary Loan link on the left-hand menu. This includes print articles from NJIT's stacks.

! We recommend you get your barcode at the circulation desk your first week.

#### Q: Do I have borrowing privileges at other NJ libraries?

A: NJIT library users have walk-in book borrowing and onsite database privileges at Rutgers Dana Library (<a href="www.libraries.rutgers.edu">www.libraries.rutgers.edu</a>) and some other libraries. A Valid NJIT ID Card with a library barcode sticker is usually required. In addition, students and faculty have walk-in borrowing privileges at a number of other New Jersey libraries. Contact a librarian for details.

#### Q: How can I get help if I have trouble finding what I need?

A: You can contact a reference librarian directly as per subject and departmental specialties listed on back. At any time you can phone, or email <a href="mailto:AskALibrarian@njit.edu">AskALibrarian@njit.edu</a>, or chat 24/7 with us. See our <a href="mailto:Ask Us">Ask Us</a> options at <a href="http://library.njit.edu/researchhelpdesk/askus.php">http://library.njit.edu/researchhelpdesk/askus.php</a>

#### Q: Is the library a good place to study?

**A**: Definitely, it's a popular place. The library has comfortable furniture, group study rooms including quiet study areas, iPads available to borrow, and an information commons containing over 100 computers, VCR and DVD stations. Bring your own headphones.

#### Q: Why learn to use the library?

A: You'll save time & get better grades. To find out more, we suggest the following books located in the stacks. Beyond the Answer Sheet: Academic Success for International Students. By W.B. Badke. Call Number: LB 2375.B33 Research Strategies: Finding Your Way through the Information Fog. By W.B. Badke. Call Number: Z 710.B23

# Library Research Helpdesk

## **Typical HelpDesk Hours**

973-596-3210 Phone:

Email:

**Contact Us** 

Fall and spring semester

10 am – 7 pm AskALibrarian@njit.edu

Fri: 10 am – 5 pm Chat: library.njit.edu

Intersession: 10 am - 5 pm Mon - Fri

Mon to Thurs:

Summer session: 10 am - 6 pm Mon - Thurs Architecture research help: 973-596-3083

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