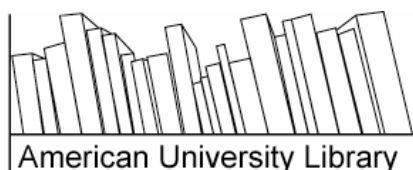


LIBRARY FACTS

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American University Library

www.library.american.edu

American University Collections

1,058,221 volumes
32,691 electronic journals accessible
2,147 print periodical subscriptions
12,227 films, videos, dvds
1.1 million+ microforms
37,092 sound recordings
13,874 musical scores

Electronic Resources

ALADIN

This is the online system of the WRLC Libraries Catalog and more than 165 databases, many with full-text articles online. There is also access to electronic books through NetLibrary.

ALADIN is accessible from any computer with Internet access (ID number required to search Article Databases from off-campus).

Wireless Network

Use your laptop, PDA, or cell phone to connect to the Internet and ALADIN from anywhere in the library.

Laptops

There are more than 110 data ports available in the library, located in the study rooms and along the outer walls of the second and third floors.

Laptops may be checked out from the Copy Center for library use.

Washington Research Library Consortium (WRLC) Members

American University

Catholic University
Gallaudet University
George Mason University
George Washington University
Georgetown University
Marymount University
University of the District of Columbia

AU students may borrow books from all WRLC member libraries. Your university ID is your library card.

Books may be returned to any WRLC library.

Study Facilities

Group Study Rooms
Graduate Study Rooms
Quiet Floor
Study tables and carrels

Selected Use Statistics

Average daily number of library users per year: 2,486

Library materials circulated per year:
266,773

Number of questions asked at Reference Desk per year: 22,144

Number of students attending library classes and tours per year : 6,582

Library Services

Circulation

Book Loans:

Undergraduates/Staff/Alumni/4 weeks

Graduates/6 weeks

Renewals may be made online through the MyALADIN system.

Holds or **Recalls** on books checked out to another borrower may be requested through the *Online Services* link on the web site. **Quick searches** for materials not found on the shelf may be requested at the Circulation Desk.

Curriculum Materials Center

Textbooks, curriculum guides, juvenile reference materials and literature, tests and videocassettes to support degree programs offered through the School of Education are available on the 2nd floor.

Computer Labs

The **Electronic Classroom**, located on the lower level, has 12 PCs for student use, when not used for library instruction.

The library's **Anderson Computing Complex** has 6 computer labs for student use.

Food and Drink

Coffee, tea, drinks, and snacks may be purchased at **The Mud Box** coffee bar on the lower level in the Reserves Reading Room.

Interlibrary Loan (ILL)

Requests to borrow books and periodical articles available at other WRLC Libraries may be made online using the "Request through Consortium Loan Services" link in the catalog. Select *Online Services* on the library homepage for non-WRLC requests.

Library Instruction

Classes on research strategies for specific subjects and **workshops** on using electronic resources are available. Click on Classes & Tutorials on the library homepage.

Media Services

Film and **video** collections include educational, international, documentary and feature films. Individual and group **facilities** for audio, video, film and computer software.

Music Library—Katzen Arts Center

Scores and **recordings**, including classical, folk, jazz and blues, popular music, and the spoken arts

Listening room facilities include playback for LP discs, CDs, cassettes and reel-to-reel tape recordings

Periodicals

Magazines, journals and **newspapers** are stored in the lower level stacks, in microforms, and at the Current Periodicals Desk. Additional titles are available electronically and through the WRLC document delivery system.

Photocopying Facilities

Self service copy machines are available on all floors of the library.

Photocopy and print cards may be purchased at the Copy Center.

Copy Center provides copy services, color copies, transparencies, stapling and collating.

Microform reader/printers are available in the Periodicals shelves.

Reference Services

Research assistance is available at the Reference Desk, by calling (202) 885-3238, via email at **research@american.edu**, and through instant messaging via AIM, Yahoo!, Google Talk, and MSN at AskAULibrary.

Reserves

Required course readings are held in the Reserve Reading Room and on **Electronic Reserves**

Services for Individuals with Disabilities

Adaptive technology workstations are available on the second and third floors, in the Reference area, and at Anderson Computing Complex. Needs assessments, adaptive technology training, research assistance, material retrieval, and a limited amount of free photocopying are available to authorized users upon request. For more information, call (202) 885-3194 (V/TTY).

University Archives and Special Collections

Early and rare U.S. math books, local Japanese history and color prints, the Records of the National Commission on the Public Service, playbill collections and materials related to the history of the University.

