About Us

The University Libraries play an essential role in furthering Virginia Tech’s mission as a global land-grant university by providing a diversity of resources to produce, disseminate, use, share and sustain data and information.

The Libraries offer everything from technology-rich spaces, exhibits, and collections, to services for managing research data and scholarship, publishing scholarly works, and consulting on a wide array of learning, research, and creative activities.

Our overall purpose is to enable members of the VT community to discover, collaborate, and innovate through our resources, technologies, services, and people.

Classrooms & Meeting Spaces

Newman Library offers multiple classrooms and meeting spaces for use by groups associated with Virginia Tech. Our spaces have flexible furniture layouts and ample technology.

Community Events

We host events as well: from fashion shows and hip hop nights to workshops and VT Authors recognition events.

Huge thanks to our donors.

In FY17, the Libraries received nearly $1.4M from donors!

IAWA collection

Part of the FY17 monies received included a grant from CLIR to digitize portions of the International Archive of Women in Architecture (IAWA) collection.
The Libraries have a number of collections beyond the books and journals in the stacks. From our physical artifacts in Special Collections to our robust digital collection, there is something for everyone.

Here are a few collections you can access:

- Primary Civil War documents in Special Collections
- Women in Art + Architecture collection
- Over one million eBooks
- 6800+ DVDs
- 1000+ 16mm films
- 5600+ CDs
- Bestselling books, including recently-published fiction and nonfiction
The Libraries offer numerous spaces for collaboration work and feature various furniture configurations including whiteboards, sit-stand desks, public computers, and portable power outlets.

Spaces include:

- Graduate Study Lounge with swipe access
- Multiple group study rooms equipped with digital screens
- Learning Commons full of tables, chairs, and stations
- Multimedia Collaboration Tables
- Quiet Study Floors for individual study
- Athenaeum, dedicated to digital research projects
Facts & Figures

8.4M ebooks available

1.6M visitors annually

280k digitized items in Special Collections

64k items in VTechWorks
Unlimited Access
to collections all around the world.

Virginia Tech is part of the HathiTrust

The HathiTrust is a partnership of academic libraries & research institutions, offering a collection of millions of titles digitized from libraries around the world.

Glance at the technology available at the Newman Services Desk:

- Laptops
- iPads
- Digital Cameras
- Drones
- Headphones
- GPS Devices

150k
Dollars awarded from our Open Access Subvention Fund

2000
Manuscript collections in Special Collections

1.6k
Seats available in Newman Library

1.2k
Items in VTechData
Suite of Studios

In order to provide students and patrons access to emerging technologies and collaborative spaces for creative work, the University Libraries created a series of studios focused on facilitating innovation.

The library studios provide free access to advanced hardware and software, and encourage an atmosphere of play and discovery. We also have experts to help guide the creation process.

3D Design Studio

A 3D print lab with staff who are trained to help you bring your ideas to life. Open to everyone.

Fusion Studio

A dedicated collaboration space for interdisciplinary and innovative group projects. Undergraduates by application.
Data Visualization Studio
Let our trained consultants help you visualize your data in even better ways.
Everyone by appointment.

Virtual Environment Studio
Experience new worlds or test your own in this blackbox virtual environments theater.
Open to everyone.

Media Design Studio
Create various types of media, including video, audio, and other multimedia.
Open to members.

Data Transformation Lab
Make your research reproducible and accessible through publication and curation.
Open to everyone.
The University Libraries offers research data services to support data-intensive research. We specialize in using best practices for working with data across the research lifecycle: from the data management and planning stage, through data collection and analysis, to visualization, publication, long-term curation and reuse.
Data Management and Curation Program

Curation and consulting services enhance the discoverability, interoperability, and reusability of research data. The VTechData repository helps the VT community publish and track the value of data products from their research.

Informatics Lab

The lab provides expertise in visualization, design, modeling, and data processing and transformation as well as consulting services for researchers on data-intensive research methods.

Data Education Program

This program creates global digital citizens by providing instruction geared toward training students in effective data-intensive research practices. This program trains users to navigate through a modern, data-integrated world.

Get Involved

To learn more or get involved, email dataservices@vt.edu or visit lib.vt.edu today.
VTechWorks

VTechWorks publicizes and preserves the scholarly work of Virginia Tech faculty, students, and staff: journal articles, books, theses, dissertations, conference papers, slide presentations, technical reports, working papers, administrative documents, videos, images, and more.

VTechData

Virginia Tech’s Data Repository is a platform for the open publishing of research datasets or other related research products created by Virginia Tech faculty, staff, and students. VTechData highlights, preserves, and provides access to these datasets, disseminating the intellectual output of the university in its land-grant mission.
VT Publishing

VT Publishing is the scholarly publishing hub of Virginia Tech; committed to increasing the visibility, reach, and impact of research produced at Virginia Tech. We publish scholarly and educational materials in multiple formats for wide dissemination and permanent preservation and provide an array of publishing-related services to the VT community and beyond.

Digital Libraries & Repositories

We build new digital libraries and repositories and conduct research and development in digital library infrastructure, systems, applications, and services supporting knowledge management and dissemination.

We digitize archival materials and artifacts for new digital collections, including cultural heritage and natural history collections at the University and from around the region.
Established in partnership with the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences (CLAHS), Athenaum is a suite of spaces and services in Virginia Tech’s Newman Library.

Athenaeum is dedicated to cultivating the digital research skills of undergraduate students, graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and faculty in the liberal arts and human sciences through collaborative, hands-on experience pursuing digital research projects.
Support the University Libraries

Virginia Tech’s libraries are unique in that we support every single student and faculty member at the university.

Private philanthropy is increasingly important to the University Libraries. Gifts to the Library Excellence Annual Fund provide unrestricted support to the library and allow the Dean to use the funds where the need is greatest.

Provide Access. Create Spaces.

Each year these gifts provide access to specific research materials at the request of students or faculty. Private support also helps to create and furnish the new study spaces that are located throughout the Newman Library. Ultimately, these gifts are used to enhance the teaching, learning, and research that happens all across the University.

Please make your gift to the Library Excellence Fund today.

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For more information about giving to the library:

Please contact our Director of Development, Kevin Weaver, at either weaverkk@vt.edu or 540-231-0793.
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Blacksburg, VA 24060

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Cowgill Hall RM 100, Virginia Tech
1325 Perry St.
Blacksburg, VA 24060

Veterinary Medicine Library
245 Duck Pond Drive, Virginia Tech
Blacksburg, VA 24061

NVC Resource Center
7054 Haycock Rd.
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Library Service Center
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Blacksburg, VA 24061

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