

Library Resources and Services for Students

Falvey Library, located in the center of the campus, provides a variety of services to help all students excel at Villanova.

Collections: The library's electronic and print collections include more than one million books, tens of millions of journal articles, as well as audio-visual and other types of materials. The library's e-books and e-journals are available 24/7 and can be accessed anywhere in the world through the library's website: <http://library.villanova.edu>. If a student needs a title that the library doesn't have, library staff usually can provide a copy of an article within 24 hours of request and a book within a few days.

Copies of select course materials are available at the library. Faculty may place print copies of the required and recommended readings for classes on reserve at the library's service desk or course materials may be available electronically via Blackboard.

The library also contains the University Archives and Special Collections that support the teaching and research of the campus community and the global network of scholarship. These collections include rare and unique materials with particular strengths in the histories of Villanova, Augustinians, and Irish-Americans. Many items from these distinctive collections have been digitized and are available at <http://digital.library.villanova.edu>.

Services: Subject librarians are available to assist students through the year. Librarians can help students learn the skills and tools needed to find, evaluate, and cite information sources for research assignments. Students can call, email, text, chat online, or visit the library to work with a librarian. Students looking for an in-depth consultation are encouraged to schedule a meeting with a librarian. For more information see: <http://library.villanova.edu/research>.

Librarians have also created many self-help guides to assist students with the research assignments. Guides are available on many subjects and topics as well as for specific courses at <http://library.villanova.edu/research/subject-guides>.

The Learning Commons, located on the second floor of the library, provides academic support services for students. Services include the Center for Access, Success, and Achievement (CASA), Learning Support Services Office, Math Learning Resource Center, and Villanova Writing Center.

Facilities: The library is a hot spot for student study. There are many places to work in the library ranging from silent individual study, to areas that allow quiet conversation, to group study rooms for highly collaborative work. The most popular study area in the library is Dugan Polk Family Reading Room which students can access 24 hours-a-day. Other 24-hour study spaces are available on the first and second floors of the library.

The library also has computer workstations, high-speed printers, and scanners located on the first floor of the library. TechZone is located on the first floor and provides help with connectivity, VPrint, software, hardware and other technical problems.

Community Engagement: Falvey Library is the center for academic life outside the classroom and strives to provide a welcoming environment for students of all backgrounds and abilities. The library hosts hundreds of events for the community each academic year, ranging from scholarly lectures, to cultural events, to stress relieving activities for students. The library has several meeting rooms available for use by official student groups. For more information see: <http://library.villanova.edu/events/general>.