



## Foreword

The Princeton University Library is the intellectual crossroads of the campus. The holdings of the Library include many ancient and rare records of human experience; millions of printed volumes; hundreds of recent and current bestsellers; terabytes of geospatial data; and thousands of online databases.

The Library system comprises a dozen separate libraries. In the main library, the Harvey S. Firestone Memorial Library, you will find humanities and social sciences reference and circulating collections; government documents and statistical sources; galleries in which rare books, graphic art, and manuscripts are displayed; and a children's library filled with books and games illuminating the history of education. In addition to printed books and scores, the Mendel Music Library holds a circulating collection of recordings of all kinds. The Marquand Library of Art and Archaeology houses a world-renowned collection of books and journals. The Public Policy Papers collection, with its focus on 20th-century American political and diplomatic history, shares Mudd Library with the University Archives, an ever-growing collection of artifacts from Princeton's illustrious history, including its original charter. Many of our science collections are now housed in the Lewis Library, given by Peter B. Lewis of the Class of 1955, and designed by Frank Gehry.

With the help of our knowledgeable and dedicated staff, you can expect to find exactly what you need. If you want to borrow materials from collections other than ours, we will help you obtain them. As you roam the stacks or explore our online resources, be prepared to enjoy serendipitous discoveries.

We are here to answer your questions, introduce you to new resources, and help you with your research. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

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