Getting Started

Bring your University ID
> A valid Princeton University ID (PU ID) or visitor access card is required at all times to enter Firestone Library and the Marquand Library of Art and Archaeology. Some other campus libraries require a proximity card or key for access during evenings and weekends. Guests should review the Library Privileges page at https://library.princeton.edu/services/privileges/visitors and call the Library Privileges Office at 609-258-5737 well in advance of their visit.

Register your wireless device
> Wireless access is available throughout the various campus libraries. Princeton ID holders with wireless laptops or mobile devices must register their equipment in the Host Database (https://www.net.princeton.edu/hostmaster/). Visitor Wireless Service (https://lib.princeton.edu/9719) provides short-term Internet connectivity to wireless devices brought by visitors to Princeton University.

Explore the Library Web site
> Your gateway to information begins with the Library Web site (https://library.princeton.edu). You can also link to the site by scanning the QR code to the left. Assistance is available from library staff in all libraries. If the book is not charged out, and you are using the library, you may be able to find it online.

Locating Library Materials

Explore our collections and other resources
> Try any of the options (ALL, NEW CATALOG, ARTICLES+, DATABASES) on the Library home page (https://library.princeton.edu/) and discover a wide variety of research information from the catalog, article databases, digital collection repositories, and other resources.

Books, journals, and similar materials
> Use the New Catalog or the older Main Catalog to find records for books, journals, newspapers, videos, sound recordings, and similar materials, regardless of format. Click on the WHERE TO FIND link to see where an item is shelved. Many electronic resources are accessible directly from links embedded in catalog records.

Articles, essays, and similar materials
> Click the ARTICLES+ tab on the Library home page to search for journal, periodical, newspaper, and other types of articles across many of Princeton's databases. You can also click on the DATABASES tab above the search window to choose a specific database by name or by subject. Use FindIt@PUL to obtain the full text via the Library's ArticleExpress service.

Reserve readings, videos, and audio files
> Electronic reserve materials will ordinarily be available from the Blackboard site for each course. Print reserve readings are available at the Circulation Desks of Firestone and the other campus libraries.

Off-Campus access
> Use either Secure Remote Access (SRA) or EZproxy to access library resources when you are not on the campus. See https://library.princeton.edu/services/technology/off-campus-access for detailed information.

If a book you need is not on the shelf
> If the book is not charged out, you are using the Main Catalog, click on the TRACE A BOOK NOT ON SHELF link at the top of the page. In the New Catalog and on library.princeton.edu the link is in the page footer and is marked “Trace a book.” If the book is charged out, missing, or lost, use the BORROW DIRECT option or the REQUEST link in the Main Catalog and the REQUEST button in the New Catalog.

Consult staff at any Circulation Desk for assistance.

Campus Libraries

Key to libraries on campus
1 Architecture Library
2 East Asian Library
3 Engineering Library
4 Fine Annex
5 Firestone Library
6 Lewis Library (Science)
7 Marquand Library of Art and Archaeology
8 Mendel Music Library
9 Mudd Manuscript Library
10 Stokes Library (Public and International Affairs)

The Firestone Library Renovation
Firestone Library will remain open and its collections will be available throughout the continuing multi-year renovation of the building. The most disruptive work will be scheduled to occur at times of the year when the library is not heavily used.

New resources, including a digital library, will be made available. News and information about the renovation project may be found on the renovation blog, accessible at http://libblogs.princeton.edu/renovations, or via the QR code below.

Try Out These E-Resources

https://library.princeton.edu/nyt

Dixon eBooks: Books of current interest online
http://princeton.lib.overdrive.com

BrowZine: Tablet and smartphone access to all e-journals to which Princeton subscribes
https://browzine.com/download

Host Database
https://www.net.princeton.edu/hostmaster/

Visitor Wireless Service
https://lib.princeton.edu/9719

Off-Campus Access
Forrestal Annex
Forth Plasma Physics Library
ReCAP Library (The Research Collections and Preservation Consortium, a joint venture of Columbia University, Princeton University, and the New York Public Library)