



# John Crerar Library

Science, Medicine, and Technology



The John Crerar Library

The John Crerar Library is home to more than 1.4 million volumes in the biological, medical and physical sciences, as well as collections in general science and the philosophy and history of science, medicine, and technology. Most items can be located by searching the Library Catalog, which is available from the Library's web site: [www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar).

The Library also subscribes to several thousand electronic science resources. Electronic journals can be located online by searching the Library Catalog or using the "E-Journals" link on the Library's web site. Databases can be located using the Database Finder. For more information, see "Electronic Resources" on page 5.

### Biomedical Sciences Collections

The collection, which includes natural history, biology, botany, zoology, human anatomy, physiology, and

medicine, is located on the 2nd floor of the Library. Current journals are located on the 1st floor. Journals are arranged alphabetically by title, books are arranged by call number.

### Physical Sciences Collections

Collections in the physical sciences, including astronomy, astrophysics, chemistry, geophysical sciences, oceanography, and physics, as well as general science, technology, agriculture and veterinary medicine are located on the 3rd floor and the lower level. Books are arranged by call number. Current journals are located on the 1st floor and are arranged alphabetically by title.

### Dewey Collection

Science, technology, and medicine materials in the Dewey Decimal classification are housed in open-stack compact shelving on the lower level.

### Crerar Rare Books

Crerar's collections of nearly 30,000 rare books are permanently located in the Special Collections Research Center in the Regenstein Library.

### The John Crerar Library

5730 South Ellis Avenue

Phone: 773-702-7715 Fax: 773-702-3317

### Ask a Librarian:

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/using/reference](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/using/reference)

Library hours: [www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar)

### Library Services for Users with Disabilities

The Library provides accommodations for our users with disabilities to provide access to our collections, services, and facilities. For more information, please visit our web site at [www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/using/accessibility](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/using/accessibility).

## Subject Specialists & Research Consultations

Subject specialists at the John Crerar Library purchase materials for the Library and provide individual consultation sessions to assist with locating information.

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If you would like to make a purchase request please contact a subject specialist or visit: [www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/using/purchaserequest.html](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/using/purchaserequest.html)

A complete list of the subject specialist at all libraries is available at: [www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/su/subjects.html](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/su/subjects.html)

## Library Services



Crerar Library Atrium

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### Reference Desk / Ask a Librarian, 1st Floor

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/using/reference](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/using/reference)  
773-702-7715

Science Reference Librarians are available to assist users in locating information. Assistance is available in person, by phone, or by email.

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### Library Orientation and Instruction

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/using/instruct](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/using/instruct)  
773-702-8717

The Library offers scheduled workshops and orientation sessions throughout the year, and encourages requests for specialized sessions tailored to group or individual needs.

Upcoming workshops are listed on the “Training at the University of Chicago” web site: [training.uchicago.edu](http://training.uchicago.edu) under “University Libraries.”

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### Computer Search Services

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Computer Search Services offers mediated online database searching in all areas of pure and applied science, engineering, and medicine. Searches are performed on a direct cost-recovery basis for Chicago Card holders. A surcharge applies to searches done for Corporate Members or the General Public. SDI (current update) service is also available, with updates of subject searches provided weekly or monthly.

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### Class Librarians

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/classlibrarians](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/classlibrarians)

Class Librarians are dedicated to serving students in The College. There is a Class Librarian for each class of the college and they serve as liaison for his or her specific class, providing reference assistance and referrals to various subject specialists in the Library.

## Recalls

Items that are “checked out” may be recalled from the current user by clicking the recall button in the Library Catalog. Once the item is returned, you will be notified and it will be held for you at the Circulation/Reserves desk. Please note: checked out books may be recalled from the current user at any time.

## Search Requests

For items not found on the shelf, submit a search request using the Library Catalog. Once the item is located, you will be notified and it will be held for you at the Circulation/Reserves desk.

## Interlibrary Loan

[requests.lib.uchicago.edu/ill/home.html](http://requests.lib.uchicago.edu/ill/home.html)

University of Chicago faculty, students, staff (including University of Chicago Medical Center staff), and alumni with borrowing privileges may use the Library’s Interlibrary Loan service to request materials from other libraries.

## Access

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/using/access](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/using/access)  
773-702-7409

The John Crerar Library is open to faculty, students, and staff of the University of Chicago and University of Chicago Medical Center.

For regular library hours visit: [hours.lib.uchicago.edu/crerar](http://hours.lib.uchicago.edu/crerar).

## 24 Hour Access/All Night Study Space

For faculty, medical residents, students of Pritzker School of Medicine, nurses and graduate students in the biological and physical sciences, the Library is open 24 hours, 365 days a year.

The Library is also pleased to provide All Night Study Space for members of the University community Monday-Friday during Autumn, Winter, and Spring quarters.

## Visitor Access to the John Crerar Library

The John Crerar Library is open to visitors conducting research in science, medicine, and technology Monday-Saturday from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Visitors please call ahead, or visit our web page for more information:  
[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/using/access](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/using/access).

## Borrowing Privileges

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/using/access](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/using/access)

Borrowing privileges vary based on University status and affiliation. If you have questions about privileges, please consult the web page or the ID & Privileges Office in Regenstein Library.

## Circulation and Reserves

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/using/services.html](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/using/services.html)  
[jlcircservices@lib.uchicago.edu](mailto:jlcircservices@lib.uchicago.edu)  
773-702-7409

To check out regular or reserve materials from the Library, renew books, or get help with your Library account, visit the Circulation and Reserves Desk on the 1st floor.

Reserve books are kept behind the Circulation Desk with short loan periods between 2 and 24 hours. Popular textbooks in a variety of subjects are kept on permanent reserve year-round. To place material on reserve, please visit the web page or contact us.

In addition to print reserves, many reserve readings are now available online. To access materials on reserve for a specific course, you must log into Chalk, the University’s course management system.

## Other Science Libraries

### Eckhart Library

Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science  
Eckhart Hall 217  
[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/eck](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/eck)  
773-702-8778

Eckhart Library is home to over 55,000 volumes in mathematics, statistics, and computer science. Reserve material for these disciplines is located in Eckhart. The collection includes both research level and introductory material.

### Library Computers

Computers are available on the 1st floor of the Crerar Library, and include internet access, MS Word and Excel. Users may save their documents using floppy discs or USB flash drives.

### Wireless and Ethernet

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/db/connect.html](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/db/connect.html)

Wireless and Ethernet networks are available throughout the Library for laptop users. Access requires a CNET ID and is limited to current faculty, students, and staff.

### Printers

A network printer is available on the 1st floor of the Library. Costs are as follows: Black and White: \$0.10/page. Color: \$0.50/page.

Users can also print from their laptops after installing the free software specific to the Library. You can download the software by selecting "Computing" on the Library's web site.

### Photocopiers

Photocopiers are located on each floor of the Library. Copies are \$0.12 per page with your Chicago Card or a copy card. Without a card, copies cost \$0.15 per page. Color copiers are not available.

### Group Study Space

Group studies are located on the 2nd and 3rd floors and are available to all users on a first-come/first-serve basis.



USITE/CRERAR Computing Cluster

### ID & Privileges Office

Regenstein Library, 1st Floor

[ipo.uchicago.edu](http://ipo.uchicago.edu)

773-702-8782

Located in the Regenstein Library, the ID & Privileges Office issues Chicago Cards (University IDs), arranges for privileges for the University Library and can assist you with your University computing account. The Office also provides Regenstein Library locker rentals, international student IDs, passport & immigration photos, CTA passes, and Airport Shuttle tickets.

### Dissertation Office

Regenstein Library, Room 100B

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/phd](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/phd)

773-702-7404

Dissertation Office staff help students meet the University-wide requirements for publishing and formatting Ph.D. dissertations. Graduate students should visit the Office well in advance of any deadlines to learn about the services available to them and to obtain document guidelines.

### Reciprocal Borrowing

The University of Chicago Library has reciprocal borrowing agreements with several local institutions. Please visit [www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/using/access/reciprocal.html](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/using/access/reciprocal.html) for details.

### USITE/Crerar Computing Cluster

[nsit.uchicago.edu/academic/usite/crerar.shtml](http://nsit.uchicago.edu/academic/usite/crerar.shtml)

773-702-7894

Located in the basement, USITE/Crerar offers 88 computers with USITE's standard suite of software including Microsoft Office, SSH and SFTP clients, statistical analysis packages, Adobe products, as well as department-sponsored academic applications. Scanners and video editing equipment are also available.

### Science Writing Prize for College Students

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/crerar-prize](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar/crerar-prize)

The John Crerar Foundation sponsors the Science Writing Prize for College Students, a competitive award for excellence and clarity in science writing.

# Electronic Resources



## Library Catalog

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/crerar)

The University of Chicago Library Catalog provides location information for materials in all libraries. The Library Catalog is accessible from any computer with Internet access.

## Database Finder

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/dbfinder](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/dbfinder)

Use the Database Finder to locate full-text resources, indexes, and other electronic resources available through the University of Chicago Library. Using the “My Space” feature, you can customize your own list of electronic resources.

## Electronic Journals

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/h/ej](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/h/ej)

The Library subscribes to thousands of electronic journals. Links to electronic journals are available in the Library Catalog and the Library-wide E-Journals List.

## E-Books

The Library is a member of the Google Book Search Library Project, via its membership in the Committee for Institutional Cooperation (CIC). Over a period of 6 years, CIC member libraries are working with Google to digitize a total 10 million volumes from their collections. The agreement means that many Chicago

books will become fully searchable via Google. For more information about this project, see: [www.cic.uiuc.edu/digitalbooks](http://www.cic.uiuc.edu/digitalbooks).

An increasing number of Library books also have key information available online, such as tables of contents, or full-text available. All e-books can be accessed via the Library Catalog.

## Electronic Databases

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/dbfinder](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/dbfinder)

The Library subscribes to all of the major electronic databases in the biomedical and physical sciences including the following and more:

Beilstein  
Biological Abstracts  
CINAHL  
COMPENDEX/Engineering Index  
GEOREF  
INSPEC/Physics Abstracts  
MathSciNet  
MD Consult  
MEDLINE  
PubMed  
SciFinder Scholar  
UpToDate  
Web of Science/Science Citation Index  
Zoological Record

## Off-Campus Access

Current University of Chicago students, faculty, and staff may connect to the majority of the Library’s electronic resources from anywhere around the world. Links to electronic resources on the Library’s web site have been configured to use the proxy server. When accessing Library resources from off-campus, you will be automatically prompted to log-in using your CNetID.


However, under various circumstances, you may find a bookmark or link to a restricted resource which does not direct through the proxy. In this case, see: [support.uchicago.edu/docs/web/proxy](http://support.uchicago.edu/docs/web/proxy) for more information.

## Research Guides by Subject

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/su/sci](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/su/sci)

The Library’s subject specialists and bibliographers have created a number of discipline-specific guides on the Library’s web site. These guides include links to suggested resources, as well as an overview of the collections and services for specific subject areas.

## Find It!

*Find It!* helps you locate an article or book directly from a citation in one of the Library’s electronic resources. Click on  in the database record to locate the article or book you need for your research. **New for 2007, you’ll also see *Find It!* links in Google Scholar.**

## RefWorks and EndNote

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/using/bibtools/](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/using/bibtools/)

Bibliographic management tools allow you to download citations directly from catalogs and other online resources into your own personal database. In addition, these tools allow you to automatically create bibliographies and footnotes in a variety of citation styles. The Library supports EndNote and RefWorks through workshops and reference services. RefWorks is available at no charge through the Library’s web site to all current faculty, students, and staff of the University.

## Electronic Resources

The Library licenses electronic resources for research and consultation in support of your academic work at the University of Chicago. Our license agreements conform to the usage guidelines for each product’s interface. Use of these resources for non-University of Chicago related business, or datamining through mass downloads, may be violations of our agreements. Please see the library use policy at [www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/about/epolicy.html](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/about/epolicy.html) for more information.

**The Joseph Regenstein  
Library**

**Humanities, Social Sciences, and  
Business**

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/reg](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/reg)  
1100 E. 57th Street  
Chicago, IL 60637  
773-702-4685

**The D'Angelo Law Library**  
**United States and Foreign Law,  
Legal History, International Law**

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/law](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/law)  
1121 East 60th Street (2nd Floor)  
Chicago, IL 60637  
773-702-9631

**Eckhart Library**

**Mathematics, Statistics, and  
Computer Science**

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/eck](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/eck)  
1118-32 East 58th Street (2nd Floor)  
Chicago, IL 60637  
773-702-8778

**The William Rainey  
Harper Memorial Library**

**General Reading Collection/  
All Subjects**

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/harper](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/harper)  
1116 East 59th Street (3rd Floor)  
Chicago, IL 60637  
773-702-7960

**Social Service  
Administration (SSA)  
Library**

**Social Welfare and Social Work**  
[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/ssa](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/ssa)  
969 East 60th Street (1st floor)  
Chicago, IL 60637  
773-702-1199

**Crerar Library News**

[crerar.typepad.com](http://crerar.typepad.com)

The Crerar Library maintains a blog to provide you with timely information regarding new journals, databases and tools to help you stay current in your research field. The blog is accessible from the Crerar Library web site under "Crerar Library News."

**What's New**

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/whatsnew](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/whatsnew)

Review the "What's New" section on the Library's web site to keep up to date about new databases, service changes, exhibitions, and other Library news.

**LIBRA**

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/libra](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/libra)

(Library Reports and Announcements) is an occasional newsletter from the University Library, written for the faculty and University community.

**Suggestions and Comments**

[www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/about/suggestions.html](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/about/suggestions.html)

Suggestions and comments about the Library's services and resources are welcome.

