

NCSU Libraries Fact Sheet

The NCSU Libraries is the gateway to knowledge for North Carolina State University and its partners. As the cornerstone of a great research university, the Libraries supports the science, technology, engineering and mathematics innovation that is the economic engine of growth for the state.



OUR SPACES—the most used resource on campus

- D. H. Hill is open 24 hours, five days per week during the academic year, often with over 10,000 visits a day.
- Learning Commons: a top student destination for study and collaboration
- Technology Sandbox: incubator for new technologies
- Information Technologies Teaching Center, with three teaching labs
- Digital Media Laboratory and Usability Research Laboratory
- Special Collections Reading Room and Exhibit Gallery
- Copyright and Digital Scholarship Center, collaborating with scholars on digital publications and intellectual property and copyright issues
- DELTA Instructional Support Services, supporting faculty in the creation and delivery of online courses
- Host for NC LIVE, a project that makes digital resources accessible to N.C. residents
- Library facilities include the D. H. Hill Library, Burlington Textiles Library, Harrye B. Lyons Design Library, Natural Resources Library, and William Rand Kenan, Jr. Library of Veterinary Medicine
- New James B. Hunt Jr. Library underway—a new heart and soul for Centennial Campus

OUR SERVICES—technology incubator for the university

- Discovery through revolutionary online catalog powered by Endecca faceted search software
- Reference, interlibrary loan, and circulation renewal services to the NC State community via the Web
- Only full U.S. patent and trademark depository in the region
- Electronic-reserve system that provides 24-hour access to course reserves via the web
- All required textbooks available on reserve
- Lending services offer laptop computers, iPads, digital cameras/camcorders, GPS, iPods, Kindles and more
- “Course Tools” for students—a detailed online guide to the Libraries’ resources for every course at the university

OUR COLLECTION—user-driven, digital-savvy, collaborative

- More than 4.4 million volumes, approximately 62,000 print and electronic serial subscriptions (51,000 of them electronic), 500 bibliographic databases, and a growing array of electronic full-text and image collections
- Over 9 million total uses in 2010/11
- More than 2 million full-text journal article downloads per year
- Strengths in agriculture, architecture, biological sciences, design, engineering, entomology, forest resources, mathematics, physical sciences, statistics, textiles, and veterinary medicine
- Access to over 400,000 electronic books
- Cross-searching capabilities and Tripsaver delivery service with the Triangle Research Libraries Network (NC State, Duke, NC Central, and UNC–Chapel Hill)
- Geographic Information System services and extensive data resources
- Papers and Drawings of George Matsumoto, Tippmann and Metcalf Entomology Collections, Greenways Archive, papers and rare books in genetics and plant and forestry genomics, Willard Byrd Golf Course Design Drawings and Other Papers, and University Archives Photograph Collection

OUR HONORS—recognition for an adventurous spirit

- First university library to win the “ACRL Excellence in Academic Libraries Award”
- 2003 recipient of the “Library of the Future” award
- Vice Provost and Director of Libraries Susan K. Nutter named “2005 Librarian of the Year” by *Library Journal*
- 2011 winner of ALA’s “Cutting-Edge Technology” award for the Libraries’ website
- 2010 winner of ALA’s “Cutting-Edge Technology” award for the Course Tools service
- Staff winners of 2009 “Library Paraprofessional of the Year” and six “Movers and Shakers” awards from *Library Journal*
- Member of the Association of Research Libraries and Center for Research Libraries

NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

The Facts

- Public, land-grant institution founded in 1887
- More than 34,000 students from 117 countries, including over 8,200 graduate students
- Bachelor's degrees in 106 fields; master's in 104 fields; PhDs in 61 fields—and a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
- Total campus area covers 2,100 acres, plus more than 100,000 acres in farms, forests, and other research facilities
- Research expenditures approaching more than \$325 million annually, with almost 70 percent of faculty engaged in sponsored research

Rankings

- #6 in Best Overall Public University Value (*U. S. News & World Report*, 2011)
- #5 among colleges of veterinary medicine (*U.S. News & World Report*, 2011)
- #7 among U.S. engineering colleges in B.S. degrees awarded (*American Association of Engineering Profiles*, 2008)

Location—Research Triangle Park, one of the nation's premier concentrations of research and industry

- Raleigh ranked as #3 best place for college students to live by American Institute for Economic Research in 2010
- Raleigh ranked as “America's Best City” by *Businessweek.com* in 2011
- Raleigh ranked as one of the 10 US “great cities” for raising a family by *Kiplinger* in 2010
- The Research Triangle ranked the #2 “brain magnet” in the US by *Forbes* magazine in 2010

Contacting Us and Learning More

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Colleges

Agriculture and Life Sciences
Design
Education
Engineering
Humanities and Social Sciences
Management
Natural Resources
Physical and Mathematical Sciences
Textiles
Veterinary Medicine
First Year College
Graduate School