NC STATE UNIVERSITY

LIBRARIES FACT SHEET

NCSU LIBRARIES

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 innovation that is the economic engine of growth for the state.

OUR SPACES—THE MOST USED RESOURCE ON CAMPUS

Library facilities include two main libraries—the D. H. Hill Library and the James B. Hunt Jr. Library—as well as the Harrye B. Lyons Design Library, the Natural Resources Library, and the William Rand Kenan Jr. Library of Veterinary Medicine

Key spaces include:

- Learning and research commons, top destinations for study and collaboration
- Incubator spaces for exploring new technologies
- Digital media editing and production facilities
- Sophisticated areas for creating simulations and virtual environments (Hunt)
- Gaming spaces, including a Game Lab for the scholarly study of games
- iPearl Immersion Theater for panoramic display of faculty and student work (Hunt)
- Makerspace, with 3D printers and scanner, and a laser cutter (Hunt)
- Special Collections Reading Room and Exhibit Gallery (Hill)

OUR SERVICES—ENABLING SUCCESS FOR STUDENTS AND RESEARCHERS

- Information discovery through revolutionary online catalog powered by Endeca faceted-search software
- Online reference, interlibrary loan, and circulation renewal services to the NC State community
- Course reserve service with all required textbooks and 24-hour access to electronic reserves
- "Course Tools" for students—a detailed online guide to the Libraries' resources for every course at the university
- Lending services for laptop computers, iPads, digital cameras/camcorders, GPS, iPods, Kindles, and more
- Copyright and Digital Scholarship Center, collaborating with scholars on digital publications and intellectual property and copyright issues
- Geographic Information System services and extensive data resources
- Only full U.S. patent and trademark depository in the region
- Host for NC LIVE, a project that makes digital resources accessible to all NC residents

OUR COLLECTION—USER-DRIVEN, RESULTS-ORIENTED

Strengths in agriculture, architecture, biological sciences, design, engineering, entomology, forest resources, mathematics, physical sciences, statistics, textiles, and veterinary medicine

- More than 4.9 million volumes, and approximately 69,000 print and electronic serial titles (68,000 of them electronic)
- 710 bibliographic databases and a growing array of electronic full-text and image collections
- Over 12.9 million total uses of the collection in 2013/14
- More than 3.3 million full-text journal article downloads per year
- Access to over 760,000 electronic books
- Cross-searching capabilities and Tripsaver delivery service with the Triangle Research Libraries Network (NC State, Duke, NC Central, and UNC–Chapel Hill)
- Rare and unique materials in all formats and documentation of university history. Highlights include premier archives in architecture, entomology, simulation, and zoological health.

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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*
- Staff winners of 2009 "Library Paraprofessional of the Year" and seven "Movers and Shakers" awards from *Library Journal*
- 2010 winner of ALA's "Cutting-Edge Technology" award for the Course Tools service
- 2011 winner of ALA's "Cutting-Edge Technology" award for the Libraries' website
- D. H. Hill Library west wing renovation recognized in *American Libraries*' 2012 Library Design Showcase
- 2013 winner of the AIA/ALA Building Award for the James B. Hunt Jr. Library
- James B. Hunt Jr. Library recognized in *American Libraries*' 2013 Library Design Showcase
- 2014 winner of ALA's "Cutting-Edge Technology" award for My #HuntLibrary social media site
- Winner of the 2014 Stanford Prize for Innovation in Research Libraries for the Hunt Library as high-technology research platform.
- Winner of the 2014 John Cotton Dana Award for Libraries Public Relations Award for the opening of the Hunt Library
- 2014 winner of the ALA/IIDA Library Interior Design Award

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THE FACTS

- Public, land-grant institution founded in 1887
- More than 34,000 students from 119 countries, including over 9,500 graduate students
- Bachelor's degrees in 110 fields; master's in 105 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 $380 million annually, with almost 70 percent of faculty engaged in sponsored research

RANKINGS

- #5 in Best Overall Public University Value (*U. S. News & World Report*, 2013)
- #3 among colleges of veterinary medicine (*U.S. News & World Report*, 2013)
- #8 among U.S. engineering colleges in B.S. degrees awarded (American Society for Engineering Education, 2012)

LOCATION—RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, ONE OF THE NATION'S PREMIER CONCENTRATIONS OF RESEARCH AND INDUSTRY

- Raleigh ranked as #3 city for business and careers, #5 best city for raising a family by *Forbes* in 2013
- Raleigh ranked as "America's Best City" by *Businessweek.com* in 2011
- Raleigh ranked as #3 best place for college students to live by American Institute for Economic Research in 2010
- Raleigh ranked as top U.S city for quality of life by Portfolio.com in 2010
- The Research Triangle ranked the #2 "brain magnet" in the US by *Forbes* in 2010

COLLEGES

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

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