

# DOUGLAS D. SCHUMANN LIBRARY & LEARNING COMMONS

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## About

The Douglas D. Schumann Library & Learning Commons is a dynamic, technology-driven space where students and faculty can collaborate and learn. The Library is open seven days per week during the semester. For the most current information about our hours, check the Douglas D. Schumann Library & Learning Commons website (<https://library.wit.edu/home/>).

## Collections

Our librarians select materials in a range of subjects to meet the curricular, informational, and educational needs of the Wentworth community. The collection includes physical and digital access to books, journals, databases, and multimedia, with new resources added regularly. The Library also collects senior projects, capstones, and theses at the request of the department to add to our Digital Collections.

## Borrowing

The Library's collection includes books, DVDs, and a variety of technology items, such as chargers, cables, and other accessories. The Library also loans technology resources—including digital cameras, 360-degree cameras, Arduinos, and Raspberry Pis—to students and is constantly adding new technology to our lending library. Visit the website for updates (<https://library.wit.edu/technology/lending/>) and borrowing policies (<https://library.wit.edu/borrow-and-request/>).

Wentworth community members may also borrow materials from other libraries in the Colleges of the Fenway consortium, Fenway Library Organization (FLO), or from libraries around the world via our Interlibrary Loan service (ILL) (<https://library.wit.edu/borrow-and-request/interlibrary-loan/>).

Wentworth community members who work, own property, or live (even temporarily, as a student) in Massachusetts are eligible to borrow materials from the Boston Public Library. Online registration affords you access to BPL's e-resources, and you may upgrade your privileges to borrow physical materials if you appear in person with proof of your eligibility. Visit the BPL website (<https://www.bpl.org/>) for more information about borrowing. You can also call (617) 536-5400, or email [ask@bpl.org](mailto:ask@bpl.org).

## Research Help

Drop-in research assistance is available at the Library's Research Help Desk or virtually via online chat, email, or phone. If you need more in-depth assistance with a specific assignment, project, or theme, an individual or group session can be scheduled with a librarian who can offer customized help, either in-person or virtually. Librarians at the

Douglas D. Schumann Library & Learning Commons help students learn to identify, evaluate, and select the information resources best suited to their needs and assignments. For more information about research help, visit the research help website.

## Study Space

The Douglas D. Schumann Library & Learning Commons is also a great place to study. With eight technology-equipped group study rooms, a silent reading room, quiet study areas, and many flexible collaboration spaces, you will find a spot that fits your needs, whether you are engaged in interdisciplinary learning with classmates or looking for a solitary space. For more information about reserving study spaces, visit the study spaces website.

## Exhibits

The Library exhibits program celebrates the creative and intellectual accomplishments of the Wentworth community with four exhibition spaces currently available. From advertising Library collections and services, to showcasing student and faculty work, to uplifting university programs both past and present, exhibits contribute to the vibrant and diverse discussions happening on campus and beyond. For more information about our exhibit program, visit the exhibits website (<https://library.wit.edu/exhibits/>).

## Archives

The Wentworth Institute of Technology University Archives collects, preserves, promotes, and fosters the use of the history of WIT through items such as: Administrative records/office records; presidential papers; university yearbooks; university newspapers; faculty work, research, and records; student work, research, and other records; student group and Registered Student Organization records; student life; alumni records; and other items pertaining to the history of WIT. Digital copies of archival material can be found in the Wentworth Digital Collections (<https://wit.access.preservica.com/portal/en-US/>). For more information, visit the Archives website (<https://library.wit.edu/universityarchives/about/>).

## Printing Services

The Douglas D. Schumann Library & Learning Commons is one of the places on campus where the Wentworth community can print, copy, and scan materials. The Library operates on a cloud-based printing system, where users can release prints by tapping their Wentworth ID. The Library offers both black and white and color printer/scanner/copiers, overhead scanners, and plotters for large-format printing. More information on how to print, copy, and scan can be found on the Library website (<https://library.wit.edu/technology/print/>).

## Fenway Library Organization

The Douglas D. Schumann Library & Learning Commons is a member of the Fenway Library Organization (FLO (<https://libraries.flo.org/home/>)), which gives Wentworth students and faculty access to more than three million volumes and numerous other online databases, resources, and services. These materials may be requested online through the Schumann Library catalog or in person at FLO libraries. Presentation of a valid Wentworth ID is all that is needed to use or borrow books at Emerson College, Emmanuel College, Simmons University, Lesley University, Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Museum of Fine Arts Library, New England Conservatory of Music, and New England College of Optometry. Information about borrowing from other FLO libraries is available through the Library website (<https://library.wit.edu/policies/borrowing-information/>).