



## Ask Us! Research Help & Consultations

[www.library.vcu.edu/askalib](http://www.library.vcu.edu/askalib)

VCU Libraries offers many ways to obtain research assistance: in person (1st floor, look for the Ask Us signs), by phone (804-828-1101), or via e-mail ([library@vcu.edu](mailto:library@vcu.edu)). We also have subject specialists on staff who offer individualized consultations. Just ask us!



## Research Guides

[guides.library.vcu.edu](http://guides.library.vcu.edu)

There are lots of subject specific research guides which identify the websites, reference books, databases, journal titles, and other tools key to many academic disciplines. Via the link above you will also find Course Guides and “How do I...” tutorials on using the library resources.



## Study Spaces

[www.library.vcu.edu/services/facilities](http://www.library.vcu.edu/services/facilities)

VCU Libraries offers space for different study styles; choose an area to best suit your needs! Silent, quiet, collaborative, and group study areas are available in Cabell Library. Group Study Rooms can be reserved via mobile at [m.library.vcu.edu](http://m.library.vcu.edu). Grad students can use the Mapp Study Room on Cabell Library’s 4th floor.

# VCU Libraries

## James Branch Cabell Library



## Pocket Toolkit



## Catalog & Databases

[www.library.vcu.edu](http://www.library.vcu.edu)

Search the catalog to find books and other VCU Libraries materials. In Cabell Library, books are shelved by the first letter in the call number: A-M, 3rd floor; N-Z, 4th floor. Find articles using electronic journals and databases. [Hint: Use Research Guides to identify the right tools for your research.]



## Media & Reserves

[www.library.vcu.edu/jbc/mrs](http://www.library.vcu.edu/jbc/mrs)

In Media & Reserve, you will find a large collection of DVDs, musical scores, CDs, and audio-visual stations.



[www.library.vcu.edu/reserves](http://www.library.vcu.edu/reserves)

Find course reserves through the catalog or in Media and Reserve Services (3rd floor, Cabell Library).



## Interlibrary Loan & Document Delivery Services

[illiad.library.vcu.edu](http://illiad.library.vcu.edu)

Need an item that VCU Libraries doesn’t own? No problem! Set up an account online and you can request just about any item from another library, almost anywhere in the world. How great is that?! [Tip: Plan ahead. It will take a little time for materials to arrive.]



## VCUCard

[www.vcucard.com](http://www.vcucard.com)

Your VCUCard is your library card at the Circulation & Information Services desk as well as giving you access to the library after 10 p.m. Loan periods: undergraduates up to 50 items for 28 days (2 renewals); grad students up to 100 items for 120 days (2 renewals). Add RamBucks to your card on the 1st floor. You can also add \$\$ at the VCUCard site.



## Printing & Laptops

[www.library.vcu.edu/services/pay4print](http://www.library.vcu.edu/services/pay4print)

To print or make photocopies you need your VCUCard and RamBucks. [Hint: Go green - scan and email from the Digital Senders.]



[www.library.vcu.edu/services/laptops](http://www.library.vcu.edu/services/laptops)

Laptops are available at Circulation & Information Services; or download the print drivers to your laptop: [www.library.vcu.edu/wireless](http://www.library.vcu.edu/wireless)



## Events & Workshops

[www.library.vcu.edu/events](http://www.library.vcu.edu/events)

VCU Libraries offers workshops, lectures, tours, and events throughout the year. Learn about using our services, attend discussions or hear guest lectures on a variety of topics. Keep your eye out for the Research & Writing Clinics, a chance to meet with a librarian and Writing Center consultant in one setting. Check the Web page often; new items regularly added.



## Research Alerts

[guides.library.vcu.edu/graduates](http://guides.library.vcu.edu/graduates)

Many databases allow you to create searches that can be automatically run at regular intervals. These searches can return the Tables of Contents from individual journals or be customized using keywords, subjects, or other search criteria. Look for an “Alerts” or “Saved Searches” link from inside the database.



## Citation Tools & RefWorks

[guides.library.vcu.edu/citation-styles](http://guides.library.vcu.edu/citation-styles)

It’s important to cite the sources you use properly, and VCU Libraries has a guide to get you started. [Hint: There are multiple citation styles; check with your professors.]



[www.library.vcu.edu/refworks](http://www.library.vcu.edu/refworks)

This web-based citation management tool will store personal citations and generate bibliographies in a variety of formats.



## Student Skills Section

[guides.library.vcu.edu/study-skills](http://guides.library.vcu.edu/study-skills)

This collection of books and videos addresses the topics you need to succeed in your on-and-off campus life and courses. Topics include: study skills, time management, presentations, finances, careers, and more. Look for this collection facing the print and copy area on the 1st floor of Cabell Library.

### About VCU Libraries

VCU Libraries is comprised of two main libraries: the James Branch Cabell Library on the Monroe Park Campus, and the Tompkins-McCaw Library for the Health Sciences on the MCV Campus. As a VCU student, you have full access to both.

You might be surprised to learn that VCU Libraries offers more than just books. We have collections of journals, DVDs, CDs, book art, medical artifacts, and one of the largest collections of comic books and graphic arts in the country.

At VCU Libraries, we provide research assistance, resources, exhibits, and lectures so that you have everything you need to achieve your goals. You’ll always find something new and exciting going on, so be sure to visit often. We look forward to helping you!

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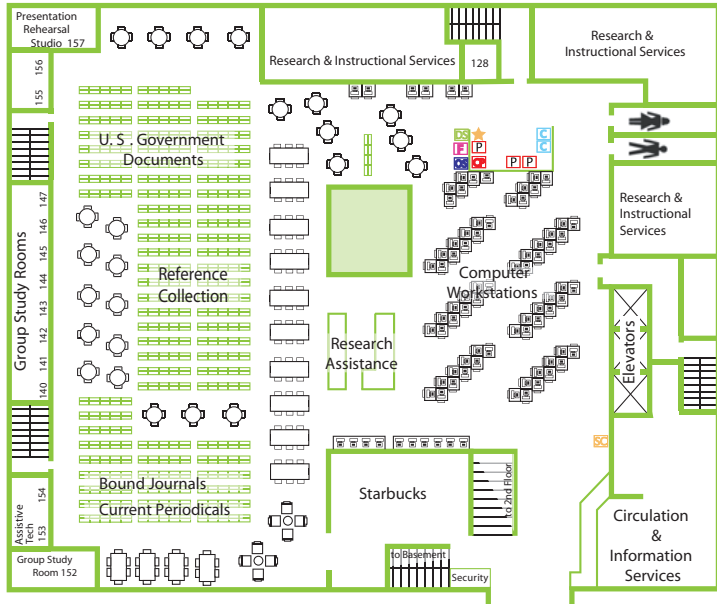


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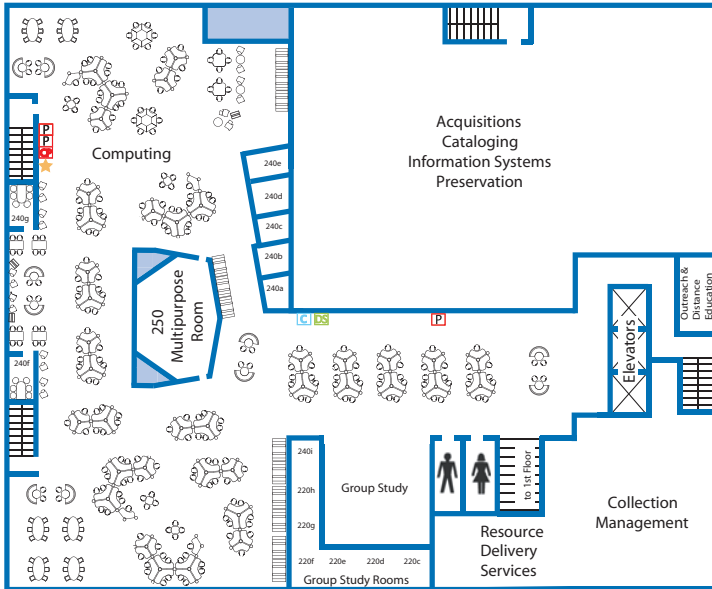
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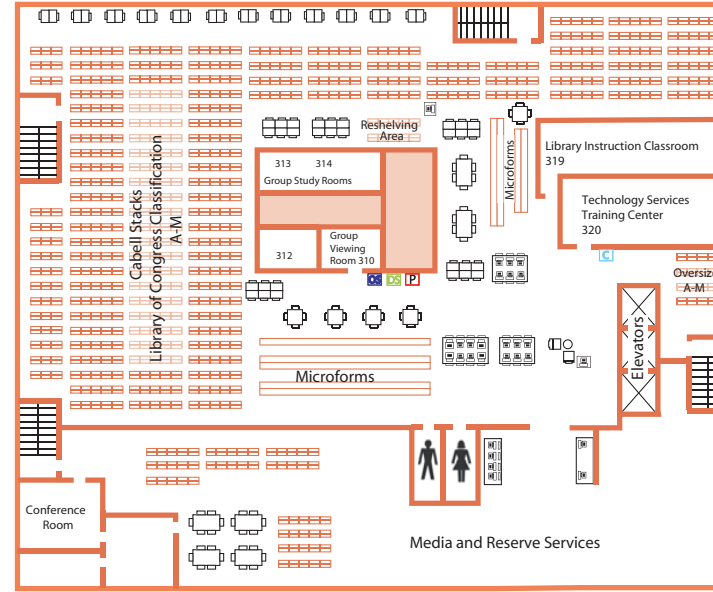
1 First Floor: Collaborative Study and Computing



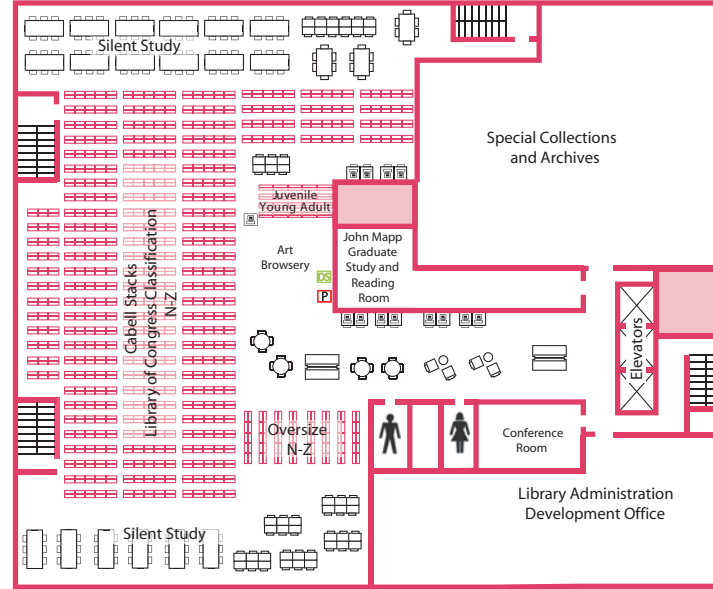
2 Second Floor: Learning Commons



3 Third Floor: Quiet Study



4 Fourth Floor: Silent Study



### Map Legend

- Tables
- Computers
- Microfilm Viewers
- Fax
- Digital Sender
- Overhead Scanner
- Printers
- Color Printer
- Copiers
- Self Checkout Machine
- RamBucks Machine

### Basement (not pictured)

- "helpIT" Desk from Technology Services
- Media Support Services
- Classrooms
- Vending Machines

### James Branch Cabell Library Regular Building Hours

Mon. - Thurs. 7:30 a.m.–2 a.m.  
 Fri. 7:30 a.m.–6 p.m.  
 Sat. 10 a.m.–6 p.m.  
 Sun. 11 a.m.–2 a.m.

Tompkins-McCaw Library hours and Cabell Library holiday and exam hours: [library.vcu.edu/hours](http://library.vcu.edu/hours)