
Where to find us online

The **library website** is available to students from on and off campus.

In the portal: select the tab labeled "Library".

In Blackboard: select the tab labeled "Library".

From off campus: access all of our electronic resources from home by logging in through the off campus access button on the library website.

Get to know us: on the library website you can find a link to the Whittemore Library Blog; and through the "Announcements" section.

Need help? find out how to contact us by phone, email, or instant message by going to the Ask A Librarian link.

Through the "Tutorials" and "How do I?" links, one can find information on searching or answers to more general questions.

Other resources

- Go to the section "Subject Guides" for access to research sources grouped by subject discipline.
- Websites: <http://del.icio.us/librefdesk>
- Go to the section "Citing Sources" for help on citing research.



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To access the library's resources if you are off campus

The Whittemore Library provides research resources for students. Off-campus access requires that you log-in using your network account to have access to the Framingham State College's electronic resources. On the library homepage, select the "**Off-campus Access**" button located on the right hand side above the picture. A pop-up will appear to enter your network account (username and password).

Your network account should be:

Username - student\

Password - month and day of your birthday and student id (if this is your first class ever at FSC, enter just your birthday and the year you were born i.e. 092985)

(You must enter **student**\ before your username.)

If you experience technical difficulties logging-in, contact **reference@frc.mass.edu** or the student helpdesk.

Searching for a book in the reference room

The Reference Room's books are organized by subject categories. To determine the category where a reference book would be classified under, look at the list posted on the door of room 118 labeled "Library of Congress Classification Schedules."

Searching for a book via the Minuteman Library Network catalog

The [link](#) to the catalog, "Books", is located on the library website. To conduct a keyword or subject search, enter a phrase in the search box and select "keyword" or "subject" and "Framingham State College" from the drop down menu. To search for books in other libraries, select "All locations" instead of Framingham State College.

Once you find a book, write down the call number to help you find the book in the library.

All full-time and part-time Framingham State College students can borrow books from Whittemore Library, as well as other libraries within the Minuteman Library Network. Day and evening students must register with the library to activate their student ID barcode. Borrowing privileges will expire when the student is no longer affiliated with the college. For online **Framingham State College students**, the library can ship books to their home address upon request and fax articles. Please contact Peg Snyder, Circulation Librarian, at msnyder@frc.mass.edu if you have questions.

Once registered for a class, students are able to request books and articles through interlibrary loan (ILL). You can initiate an interlibrary loan request via the online [form](#) on the library website. The request might take more than two weeks to fulfill. Please contact Neil Conrad, ILL Coordinator, at 508.626.4690 or neilc@frc.mass.edu for questions on ILL.

You may also request books via the Virtual Catalog and through WorldCat database. You can access the Virtual Catalog through the Minuteman Library Network catalog. The WorldCat database is available on the "A to Z list of Databases" link on the library website.

Searching our databases to find articles

For a listing of all of our research databases, go to the [link](#) "A to Z list of Databases" on the library webpage. If you are off campus, you must authenticate first by entering your network account before you search the databases.

One can find articles in the databases using keywords or subject searching. Not all articles are available full-text online. You can limit your search results to show only scholarly or peer-reviewed articles.

Among the databases offered are:

- EBSCOhost (Academic Search Premier, Business Source Premier, ERIC, MEDLINE, etc.)
- InfoTrac (Academic Onefile, General Business File, Health Resource Center Academic, etc.)
- First Search (WorldCat, Agricola, etc.)
- JSTOR
- Lexis-Nexis Academic Universe
- Project MUSE
- Mergent

To find out if the journal is available full-text online, go the link, "[Full Text Journal Finder](#)" on the library website and enter the name of the journal in the search box. If is not available full-text online, the library might carry the journal in print. For questions on our print journals, please contact Deb Hogan, periodicals supervisor, at dhogan@frc.mass.edu.

To search within Google Scholar, you can find instructions on how to access full text articles on Google Scholar on the library's [blog](#). The link to the blog is on the "Announcements" section on the library website.