Introduction to Information Resources for FBS Graduate Students

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Gordon Library

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How does the Gordon Library Support FIS Graduate Students?
Expert Assistance & Guidance

Contact a Research and Instruction Librarian

• Research Consultation: Request a research consultation. All appointments will be conducted virtually through Zoom until further notice.

• Email: library@wpi.edu

• Chat: Live Chat available!
Expert Assistance & Guidance

Research Support

- The library can help you at all stages of the research process. We can help you choose a topic; search for, identify & find relevant high quality resources; manage citations; and much more...
Databases

• Gordon Library has over 250 online databases for finding peer-reviewed articles, patents, data, chemical structures, and more.

• Click on the Databases link under the WPI Library Search box on the library homepage.

• Browse Databases by Subject to find the ones you need, or ask a librarian for help. We’re happy to help you find the best resources for your project.

• All databases are available from off campus. Start at the library webpage to access the resources, and simply enter your WPI user name and password when prompted.
Business Databases

• We have business databases that provide access to scholarly and trade journals, company, industry and country reports, business newspapers, and statistical data.
WSJ & NYT Interactive

- Institutional subscriptions to the full, interactive online newspapers!

- **Wall Street Journal Online (Access limited to WPI users only.)** - Interactive edition of the Wall Street Journal. See [https://libguides.wpi.edu/news](https://libguides.wpi.edu/news) to set up your free WPI account!

- **New York Times Interactive (NYTimes.com Interactive)** - Interactive online edition of the New York Times. See [https://libguides.wpi.edu/news](https://libguides.wpi.edu/news) to set up your free WPI account!
The Business & Management research guide goes through the most relevant research databases, journals, books, and websites in the fields of business and management. You will find information on where to look for industry and company reports, consumer data, trade literature, scholarly research, and more.
Accessing Materials

The Gordon Library has:

- Over 150,000 **electronic serials** (journals, magazines, newspapers)
- Over 250,000 print books, DVDs, and other materials
- Access to over 800,000 **e-books in all academic disciplines**.

- To find any of the print or electronic books, journals, or other materials, use the [WPI Library Search](#) box & links on the Library website homepage.
Accessing Materials

Suggest a Purchase

- WPI faculty, students, and staff are encouraged to **suggest a purchase** of books or other materials you think the library should add to its collection.

Interlibrary Loan (ILLiad)

- Using **ILLiad**, WPI faculty, students, and staff can request to borrow items from other libraries if Gordon Library doesn’t own them.
  
- Contact **lib-ill@wpi.edu** for assistance
  
- You can request books, articles, theses, dissertations, videos, CDs, and book chapters through Interlibrary Loan.
Borrowing Materials

• Your WPI ID is your library card. You are welcome to borrow books, DVDs and other materials from the library.

• Length of borrowing differs depending on the type of item being borrowed:
  • Loan Period for Books, CDs, tech reports: 180 days
  • Loan Period for DVDs, video & board games, calculators: 7 days
  • Fines: weekly items/hourly items: $1.00/day/$1.00/min
    No fines for most items

• At this time, books and other materials can be requested for curbside, no-contact pick-up through the library’s online catalog.
WPI Electronic Theses & Dissertations

• Digital WPI – archives electronic theses & dissertations from 2004 to present (and selected earlier years)

• Full text searchable & browsable
Research Guides

We have developed research guides on many topics of interest to graduate students:

- Data Management & Record Keeping
- WPI Copyright Policy and Guidance
- Curating your Online Presence
- Citing Sources
- Identifying Funding Opportunities
- Open Access Guide
- Open Educational Resources
- WPI Theses & Dissertations (information on submitting your thesis or dissertation!)
Finding Funding Resources

- **Pivot** database
  - Indexes over $33 billion in funding opportunities
  - 3 million scholars with profiles
  - Create your own profile
  - Friendly interface and powerful search features
  - For help creating an account, email: lostapowiczcritz@wpi.edu

- **Foundation Directory Online Professional**
  - Searchable database of over 100,000 foundations, corporate giving programs, and grantmaking public charities in the U.S., and over 4,000 sponsoring companies
Citation Management Tools

- **EndNote Desktop**
  - Download citations from databases, WPI Library Search, e-journals into EndNote
  - Obtain full text, when available, & “store” PDFs in EndNote

- **EndNote Web**
  - Online access from anywhere
  - Great for group projects & collaborative work

- Also informally support:
  - **Mendeley** – Institutional account available
  - **Zotero** – Free, open source citation management tool
Thank You!

Any Questions?

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