Library Support for Faculty Moving Their Classes to Online and Alternative Learning Methods

Library Resources in Canvas

Your first point of contact for library resources is the Library link in your Canvas course. In most courses, the Library link highlights commonly sought information and tools such as library building and service hours, Library Search, and how to get help from a librarian.

In courses where a subject librarian has created a custom library research guide, the Library link will automatically show that guide. To request a guide be created for your course, contact your subject librarian.

See our detailed guide to embedding library resources in Canvas for more information on the Library link, best practices for linking to library subscription content, and how to add a librarian to your course.

Finding eBooks

The library offers a variety of eBook packages including:
- EBook Central
- EbscoHost eBook Collection
- HathiTrust Digital Library
- Project Muse
- Wiley Online Library
- Full list available here

Some of our ebook vendors are expanding the number of titles available for a limited time to help provide greater access online. We have created a list for this additional content but continue checking it as we will be adding more resources as they become available.

We have created a research guide with more information about how to use our eBook options.

You can also search Library Search and then limit your search using the filters on the left. You can choose "Online" for Availability and "Book" for Resource Type.

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Streaming Videos

The film industry policies copyright much more intensely than book publishers. Due to copyright restrictions, the library cannot convert physical DVDs to another digital format without obtaining rights and paying high associated licensing fees that allow temporary access.

The library subscribes to several streaming video databases which can be found here:

Academic Video Online
BBC Shakespeare
Ethnographic Video Online
Films On Demand
TU Libraries locally hosted films

See full list here

The above database packages consist of films already available to faculty.

The library also has access to films via Kanopy and Swank Motion Pictures on a pay-per-title basis. Should you locate a Kanopy title needed for online teaching, please submit a request via the database. Media Services Librarian Brian Boling will evaluate the request, as well as alternate availability, to determine the best means of providing online access to your students.

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Based on availability, the library may recommend that students access additional titles via inexpensive streaming rental, while allowing local students free access through DVD reserves. If you need help locating a title, please contact brian.boling@temple.edu.

We have created a research guide with more information about how to use our streaming video resources.

Instruction

Your subject-area librarians are still available to provide support by instructing online, creating tutorials, or crafting course-specific guides. Don't hesitate to contact your librarian to discuss ways in which they can offer assistance.

Reserves

Owing to the need to comply with the closure of all non-life sustaining businesses, Temple University Libraries can no longer offer scanning of new items. All materials currently placed in our e-reserves (ARES) remain available.

Get Help from a Librarian

Have a question? There are many ways to contact us:
- Start a live chat session with a librarian
- Email us at asktulibrary@temple.edu
- Text your question to 267-415-8925
- Schedule an online appointment with a subject librarian

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