The five-story Wimberly Library, on the Boca Raton campus, houses approximately 2.5 million items including print and online books, periodicals, government documents, microforms, maps, media and other materials; a rich academic collection supporting the curriculum of the University. In addition to traditional formats, the Library also provides an exceptional offering of electronic resources including access to over 500 databases.

Wimberly Library offers group study rooms, study carrels, computer labs, disabled user facilities, and an audiovisual media department.

FAU Libraries maintains formal relationships with the Center for Research Libraries, the State University Libraries (through the Florida Virtual Campus), and regional libraries in the Southeast Florida Library Network.

Circulating Collections
Materials which may be checked out are located on open shelving on the first through fourth floors, east and west wings.

Electronic Resources
Electronic resources are available on public access computers throughout the building, on a laptop via the University’s Wi-Fi, or from off campus. Many of these resources are obtained on a subscription basis, restricted by licensing agreements to use by FAU students, faculty, and staff. It is the responsibility of each user to comply with these restrictions, as violation could result in loss of access for the entire FAU community.

Government Documents
Wimberly Library was designated a Federal Depository in 1963, as well as a State of Florida documents depository. We receive most government publications in print or electronically. Additional government resources, such as official web sites and digital collections, can be accessed through the Government Documents web pages.
Media Center
The Media Center houses the University's primary collection of audiovisual materials. Audio-visual collections include videotape, CD, DVD and audiotape, most of which may be checked out with a library card (Owl Card). E-readers (including Kindle and Nook) and video cameras, calculators, and laptops (PC/Mac) are also available for check out. The Media Center has individual and group viewing and listening stations and a multimedia lab located nearby. The Media Center's collections and equipment may be used by currently enrolled FAU, Palm Beach State College and Broward College students, faculty, and staff. Priority is given to students and faculty using the facilities for course-related purposes.

Library Atrium Lobby
Most journal issues are shelved in the General Collection. Some popular magazines and newspapers are available in the atrium lobby on the first floor, west wing. Displays for new books, DVDs, art and special exhibitions are in this area. Refreshments may be purchased from Dunkin Donuts.

Digital Library
The Digital Library provides online access to rare and unique library collections and FAU scholarship. Digitized resources include rare letters, pamphlets, photographs, maps and oral histories. Discover faculty publications, electronic theses and dissertations, recorded dance videos and music performances in the Digital Collections at FAU.

Special Collections
FAU Libraries house unique collections of artists’ books, sound recordings, print music, rare books and manuscripts, and University archives. Collections include papers of University faculty, documents of FAU’s early history, and materials in many subject areas, including music, Civil War, local history, and WWII. The Arthur and Mata Jaffe Center for Book Arts, located on the third floor east, features exhibitions and workshops throughout the year. The Marvin and Sybil Weiner Spirit of America Collection features Colonial American and other printed materials relating to American history dating from 1538 to 1890. The Recorded Sound Archives hold an extensive collection of music, including Jazz, Judaica and Vintage 78s.

www.library.fau.edu/depts/spc/special.htm

Access Services
Circulation and Reserve are located to the west of the main entrance. Circulation provides check-out and reserve services, as well as general information about the library. A current FAU Owl Card must be presented in person before any item may be borrowed. Library users are personally responsible for all materials borrowed. Materials may be renewed unless another user has requested the item. Groups may check out a study room key from the Circulation Desk. Study rooms are located on the third and fourth floors of the library.

www.library.fau.edu/depts/access/circdept.htm

Library Instruction
Information Literacy and Instructional Services staff encourages individuals’ development of effective research skills and information competency. FAU and Palm Beach College South campus faculty can arrange for a librarian to instruct their classes in research strategies that will enable them to find important resources relevant to their assignments.

www.library.fau.edu/depts/instruct/instruct.htm

Reference
The Reference Department staff provides assistance to the FAU community in using both the electronic and print collection resources. Consulting a reference librarian at the beginning of a research project will enhance discovery of appropriate resources: print, electronic, serial, and monographic. For extensive consultation, an office appointment with a reference librarian knowledgeable in your subject area is recommended. Reference provides these additional services: reference help by telephone, instant message/chat, text, e-mail, and special reference consultations. Microform collections in a number of subject areas are available on the first floor, east wing. Subject and Class Research Guides list resources in databases, journals, books, websites and more. Tutorials provide instant access to specific training materials.

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www.library.fau.edu/depts/ill/illdept.htm

Virtual Library
Visit the Library’s homepage at www.fau.edu/library and log in through https://login.EZproxy.fau.edu/login. You will be able to do all of the following: access Ask a Librarian to send a question; search library holdings; access reserve materials; confirm citations; link to the full text of more than 65,000 periodicals and, in some cases, print, electronic, serial, and monographic. ILL obtains materials from non-FAU libraries within 3-5 business days for articles and 7-10 business days for loans. Use the UBorrow system to request items directly from another State University System library and receive them even sooner.

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Interlibrary Loan
ILL supports the research and education needs of the University community by locating and obtaining materials not owned by the FAU Libraries. There is no charge for basic ILL service. Special service or handling may incur charges. Interlibrary Loan is available for all currently-enrolled students, faculty, and staff of FAU, Palm Beach State College South campus, and distance education programs. A one-time registration in ILLiad (Interlibrary Loan Internet Accessible Database) is required and, once registered, ILLiad allows you to place requests or monitor the status of your requests online 24/7. In most cases, ILL obtains materials from non-FAU libraries within 3-5 business days for articles and 7-10 business days for loans. Use the UBorrow system to request items directly from another State University System library and receive them even sooner.

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