

JFL INSIDER

A Newsletter to Keep You in the Know



Fall 2022

Meet Your Liaison Librarian

Did you know that every academic department has a [liaison librarian](#)? Liaison librarians are library faculty members who are familiar with their assigned department and its coursework, and they serve as the main point of contact for department-specific library questions or needs.

Your liaison recommends library purchases that support your discipline and is available to provide individual or group research assistance that requires specialized knowledge of discipline-specific resources. Your liaison is also available to teach information literacy skills and provide synchronous or asynchronous library instruction to your students in person, online, or through [custom tutorials](#) and [Research Guides](#).



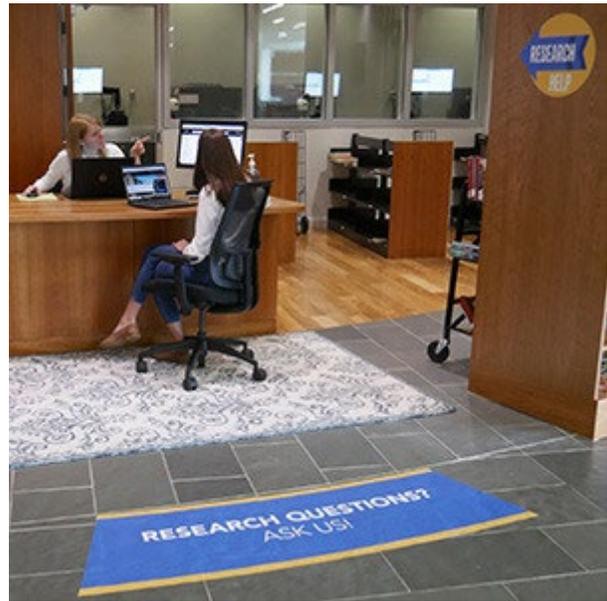
They can also provide training to faculty in your department on using library resources and tools or partner with you to incorporate information literacy into assignments and to develop effective library assignments to facilitate learning, discovery, and research. To learn more about the types of instruction and training liaisons can provide, explore the [Research & Instruction page](#) on the [Jerry Falwell Library website](#).

During the fall and spring semesters, your liaison librarian will send monthly updates to your departmental contact, who may be the administrative assistant, who will then forward the email to faculty in your department. This will include information about new resources and services that the library offers, upcoming special hours or events hosted by JFL, and other important news that may be beneficial or relevant to you and your students. Please take a moment to identify your [liaison librarian](#), and then be sure to say hello when you see your liaison around campus.

Access Research Support

You and your students can access live research support through [chat](#), [email](#), and [phone](#) anytime that the library is [open](#). You can also [schedule a meeting](#) with a research librarian to find the resources you need, or stop by the research support desk at the Customer Service Center Monday-Friday between 9 a.m.-5 p.m. for walk-up assistance.

In addition to live research support, you will find a wide variety of research tools available through the JFL website. These include [subject research guides](#), [video tutorials](#), [research FAQs](#), a [copyright guide](#), [RefWorks](#), and more! Be sure to check out our [faculty support](#) and [student support](#) pages for more information on these and other resources and services that are available.



Mark Your Calendars

Be sure to check out our schedule of live [webinars](#) for this fall, and encourage your students to attend. We record the webinars for those who cannot attend in person, but students often benefit from the Q&A during the live events. If you plan to require attendance or offer extra credit, reach out to jmcginniss@liberty.edu before the webinar so that he can arrange for you to receive a list of attendees.

The schedule of fall webinars along with the registration links is listed below. You can visit the [library events page](#) to view recordings of previous webinars.



- [Welcome to the JFL: How to Locate and Access Resources Through the Library Website!](#) | Tuesday, Aug. 30, 2022, 1 p.m. EST

Join us for a live webinar and Q&A session demonstrating how to navigate the Jerry Falwell Library website and how to search the vast array of resources available to support you in your assignments.

- [Literary Analysis Resources at the JFL](#) | Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2022, 7:30 p.m. EST

Learn about key sources for your literary research. This live webinar will show you how to search the MLA International Bibliography and Gale Literature databases as well as how to find e-books and print books specific to literary analysis.

- [Health Research: Locating State and National Health Statistics](#) | Thursday, Sept. 8, 2022, 7:30 p.m. EST

Need health statistics for an upcoming assignment? Join us in this live webinar to learn how to use the PolicyMap and Data Planet databases as well as how to find national and state-level health statistics using resources from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, City Health Dashboard, and other reliable online resources.

- [Seek and Ye Shall Find: Locating Primary Sources for Church History Research](#) | Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2022, 7:30 p.m. EST

Attend this webinar to learn how to find primary documents for the study of church history and doctrine. A JFL librarian will demonstrate searching library resources as well as reliable internet sources.

- [Legal Databases: An Introduction to Law Resources for Non-Law Students](#) | Thursday, Sept. 15, 2022, 7:30 p.m. EST

Need legal resources even though you're not a law student? Join us live for this informative webinar to learn how to navigate NexisUni and a selection of other legal databases to locate statutes, cases, and related secondary sources.

- [Global Research: Countries, Cultures, and People Groups](#) | Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2022, 8 p.m. EST

Learn to use library and open-access resources to research countries, cultures, languages, and people groups. A JFL librarian will demonstrate the use of CountryWatch, Global Road Warrior, and World Christian Database in this webinar.

Create Permalinks to Library Resources

When creating course content that links to electronic library resources, it is important to use a stable link, known as a permalink, that will not change based on location or platform. A common mistake when sharing links to library resources is to use the URL displayed in the browser, but that URL is specific to your database session and will not work once you close your internet browser or exit the database. Permalinks can be generated in almost every database and copied and pasted into Canvas courses to provide direct access to a specific electronic resource such as a library database or an e-book, article, or other item in the database. Once you find the article or other resource that you want to share, click on it to open the detail page, and then look for “Permalink,” “Get Link,” or “Share.” While the location and labeling of these will vary from database to database, they are often accompanied by some variation of the permalink symbol or the share symbol. Once you find and click on the permalink option, you can copy the link, and paste it into your course.



Some databases from smaller or specialized vendors do not provide an option for creating a permalink. If you do not see an option to generate a permalink in a database, you can create a permalink using the [OpenAthens Link Generator](#). Simply copy the URL of the resource to which you would like to link, and then paste that link into the [OpenAthens Link Generator](#). It will then create an OpenAthens link that looks very different from the original link. This is because this new link includes an OpenAthens prefix and is encoded to provide direct access for Liberty’s users. Simply select “Copy” and then paste the OpenAthens link in your Canvas course to ensure seamless access to the electronic resource. If you receive a red error message such as “Source link URL is not allowed,” this means that the URL is not a resource that is recognized by OpenAthens. If you encounter this error message or if you have any other questions about obtaining permalinks, please contact your [liaison librarian](#) for assistance. Additionally, you can watch [this brief tutorial](#) that demonstrates generating a permalink in a database as well as through the OpenAthens Link Generator.

Request Delivery

Residential Faculty

You may already be aware that you can use your [Interlibrary Loan account \(ILLiad\)](#) to borrow materials from other libraries through our [Interlibrary Loan](#) service and that those items will be delivered to your office (unless otherwise requested), but did you know that you can also use ILLiad to request delivery of items in JFL's [physical collections](#)? If your office is near JFL, we will deliver your items directly to your office or department. If your office is at another campus location such as Green Hall, LUCOM, etc., we send your items to you through intercampus mail. Depending on the format, location, and availability of items borrowed from other libraries, delivery could range from three days to three weeks.

Materials requested from our collections will typically be delivered to you within two business days.

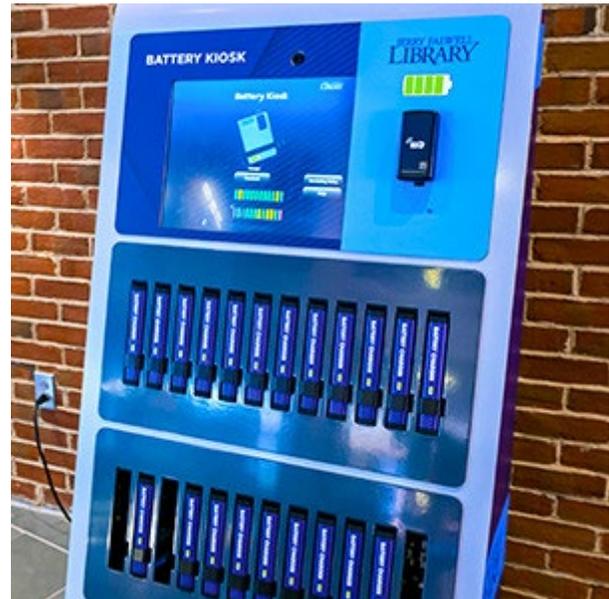


Online Faculty

If you do not live close to campus, you can use your [Interlibrary Loan account \(ILLiad\)](#) to request books and audiovisual materials in JFL's collections to be delivered to your home address. If you live close to campus, you can pick up your items at the JFL Customer Service Center. Available items in the collection are usually shipped in an expedited manner (i.e., FedEx, UPS Express, or USPS Priority Mail) either the same day or the next business day after the request is received and should typically arrive within two business days. While books borrowed from other libraries through [Interlibrary Loan](#) can only be picked up and returned on campus, you can also use ILLiad to request electronic scans of journal articles that are not already available online in full text or chapters/small portions of print books, regardless if the book or journal is owned by JFL. We also encourage you to take advantage of our [cooperative borrowing programs](#) and to explore interlibrary loan services through your local public library.

Extend Your (Battery) Life

When you are in the library diligently working on your next journal article or other scholarly work, it can be extremely frustrating to find that your battery is running low. With two new battery kiosks now available in the library, extending your battery life is just a swipe away. Simply visit the kiosk located in the atrium on the first floor or the one near the 220 group study rooms on the second floor, and use your Flames Pass to check out a battery that you can connect to your device with your power cord or a USB cable. If you do not have a USB cable with you, you can check out one at the Customer Service Center. The kiosks are linked, so you can return your battery to either location.



When your article, book, poster presentation, or other scholarly work is eventually completed with the help of that extended battery life, remember to update your [SelectedWorks profile](#) in [Scholars Crossing](#). You can also publish your work through your SelectedWorks page or through your department's [curated collection](#) of scholarly works. For assistance or questions regarding SelectedWorks or Scholars Crossing, contact scholarlycommunications@liberty.edu.

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