

# In the Stacks with ASU Libraries

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The New American University Library is more than just a building (or seven!); it's a thriving, exciting environment that exists in both the real and digital worlds. ASU's libraries offer online students an extensive amount of resources to help you engage in research, write course papers, and explore unique items and collections that only ASU owns. ASU Libraries are staffed by remarkable people whose daily goal is to help you achieve success. How does ASU Libraries do it?

## Ask-a-Librarian

ASU's [Ask-A-Librarian](#) service offers access to 24/7 live chat with a librarian, an option to email ASU librarians with a request for help, and the phone numbers for the Information Desks at each of the ASU Libraries. Whatever method you prefer to use, ASU libraries are waiting for the opportunity to help you! Need guidance on doing research for a paper? Ask-a-Librarian can help with that! Working on your bibliography for a paper and don't know how to properly cite an item? Ask-a-Librarian can help with that! No matter what your question is, ASU Libraries is here to help. And if ASU Libraries doesn't know the answer, they'll find the correct contact so you get what you need.

## Subject Librarians

Every major at ASU has a librarian assigned to it as the research expert in that field. This person is called a [Subject Librarian](#), and they are available to work with you on an individual basis! Let's say you're taking a class in your major field and have a huge research assignment coming up. You can contact your subject librarian and arrange a phone consult where your librarian will offer advice and tips on where to get started, what databases to work in, and more! You can also email your librarian to work with him/her that way. Your subject librarian is here to help when you need more in-depth, thorough expertise to achieve your research goals.

## Library Guides

Your Subject Librarians aren't here 24 hours a day, but their individual expertise is! [Library Guides](#) provide a comprehensive look at how to conduct research in the major fields ASU offers. ASU's Subject Librarians create these guides so that you can use their knowledge, even after they've gone home for the night. There are over 400 of these guides, and they are designed to serve as the starting point for any research project. There are also guides for specific course, as well as one created specifically for [ASU Online students](#) to help give you an overall look at what ASU Libraries has to offer.

ASU Libraries can function as an important part of your success at ASU, so don't hesitate to get into contact with an ASU librarian today. Good luck and happy researching!