

Health Sciences Library Resources

You are eligible for Health Sciences Library privileges as a new or continuing student, faculty, or staff. These privileges allow you to borrow books, and any current or future multimedia and technology (calculators, computer chargers, headsets, etc.); use our digital collection of databases, e-books, and e-journals on and off campus; and receive information, orientation, and training support from our librarian faculty. This guide provides you with an orientation to the Health Sciences Library, as well as an overview of its resources and services. If you have questions, please contact us at library@chsu.edu, or by telephone at 559-549-6405.

Library Personnel: library Faculty include three FTE professional librarians: The Director, Health Sciences Library; Electronic and Technical Services Librarian; and Research and Instruction Librarian. The library director and librarians have faculty appointments and provide access to a wide range of resources and services, including instruction and training in such areas as information literacy and evidence-based medicine, in support of the College of Osteopathic Medicine, the College of Pharmacy, and CHSU administration.

Accessing the Library: You can access the Library homepage at: <https://chsu.edu/library/>. A link to the Library can be found on the [CHSU homepage](#).

Remote Access: Over 95% of the Library's collections are online, and available off-campus, as well as on-campus. To access the Library's collections off-campus, go to the Library website and click on the needed resource. When prompted, enter your regular network credentials – your CHSU email (username) and password.

Using the Library Homepage: You may begin your search by entering a keyword, title, or author into the *Discover* search box and then pressing the Enter key or clicking on the "Search" button. If off-campus, you will be prompted to login with your CHSU credentials. You have many options to filter your search Results, including by resource type, publication date, and subject term.

Also, on the Library's homepage are quick links to databases, e-books, e-journals, mobile apps, and Research Guides.

Document Delivery & Interlibrary Loan (ILL): This is a service provided to CHSU faculty, staff, and students for requesting articles and books from other libraries when the item is unavailable through the CHSU Health Sciences Library collections.

To place an ILL request, find the item in the Discover search box, click the button "Request from Library," and complete the form.

Research Guides: The CHSU Health Sciences Library has created a series of library guides that provide information and links specific to osteopathic medicine, pharmacy, and a variety of scholarly topics. From the Library's homepage, you may click on the Osteopathic Medicine Library Guide, the Pharmacy Library Guide, or Research Guides for a full list. Some guide topics include:

- Copyright and Fair Use Guide
- Evidence-Based Medicine
- How to Access Grammarly Premium
- Student Learning Resources
- Wellness Resources

Print & E-Books: The CHSU Health Sciences Library subscribes or provides access to almost 700 print texts and to over 2500 e-books. Use the Library's *Discovery @ CHSU* tool to search for ebooks by keyword, author, or title and limit your search to the Health Sciences Library Catalog to see what print texts are available.

Databases: From the Library's homepage, you may select popular resources such as ClinicalKey, DynaMed, or PubMed. If you click on the link titled A-Z Databases, you can see a list of over 100 biomedical and health sciences databases to which

the CHSU Health Sciences Library subscribes or provides access. Use the dropdown options to filter by subject (e.g., Medicine) and/or database type (e.g., best practice and point-of-care, exam prep, guidelines, images, literature searching tools).

E-Journals: The CHSU Health Sciences Library subscribes or provides access to nearly 7,500 e-journals. From the Library's homepage, select the e-journals link on the left side to begin exploring our collections. You may also use the e-journal search located in the middle of the website. Using the Browse by Letter feature, you can find popular e-journals such as *Academic Medicine*, *JAMA*, *JAQA*, *The Lancet*, or *NEJM*.

Equipment and Technology: The CHSU Health Sciences Library provides access to a growing collection of loanable equipment and technology, including Surface Pros, Dell laptops, charging cords, headphones, OMM practice tables, and more. You can request and reserve these items by heading to the Library's homepage and selecting an item from the "Reserve Technology and Equipment" section, located in the middle of the page.

Library Space & Hours:

The CHSU Health Sciences Library is located at 2500 Alluvial Ave. It comprises approximately 3300 square feet, with over 80 seats, including modern furnishings, and lighting, flexible space, shelving for our required and recommended print texts, and technology. The Library space features individual study carrels, computer workstations, tables and chairs, and lounge seating. In addition, group study rooms are adjacent to the Library. A multi-functional printer is also close by. The Library is generally staffed from Monday – Friday: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, and there is extended building access in the evenings and on weekends. Please check the library website for information on special closures.

Services & Getting Help

Please contact us in-person, by e-mail at library@chsu.edu, by phone at: 559-549-6405, or by **making an appointment**. We can provide support on topics such as asking an answerable clinical question; acquiring the necessary, evidence-based information; using citation management tools; searching PubMed effectively; copyright and fair use; and identifying journals in which to publish your research.