

LIBRARY

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The Library, located on the 2nd and 3rd floors of the Learning Resource Center, is open over 100 hours per week during the fall and spring semesters. Users will find a variety of spaces to meet their needs including collaborative areas with large, flat-screen displays, individual carrels for independent study, tables with ample space to spread out, lounge chairs with built-in desks, and comfortable café seating.

Print collections include more than 130,000 books, 200 journals, magazines, and newspapers, and 3,000 multimedia materials. Electronic collections include over 250,000 e-books, 90,000 e-journals, and a diversified selection of 350+ databases from EBSCO, Gale, ProQuest, and other authoritative publishers. Remote access to electronic materials is available 24/7/365. The WSU Archives and Special Collections features more than 200 linear feet of materials related to Worcester State University history, more than 400 rare books, and the papers of poet and activist, Dennis Brutus.

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