

Gaming, Making, & Researching in the Library

Learn about the ways in which UNT Libraries supports our students

Presentations by:

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Gaming and Media in the Library

Dakota Scott & Lindsay Duke



The Media Library

The Media Library contains the UNT Libraries' non-print, audiovisual, tabletop games, and video games collections. The Media Library also has The Nest, which is an e-sports and game design space. The mission of the UNT Media Library is to support the instructional and research needs of UNT faculty, staff, and students by collecting, maintaining, and providing access to media materials that represent all academic disciplines and all genres of film.

Hours change each semester. Please check online.

Located on the second floor of Willis Library

Media Commons: Room 260

The Nest: 251s



Media Arts and Gaming Collection



- Movies, Documentaries, & TV Shows
- Video Games
- Tabletop Games
- Consoles and Handhelds
- VR Equipment
- Gaming PCs (in space use)



Media Arts and Gaming Collection

The Nest @ Media

- 5 Reservable Gaming PC Stations & 6 moveable tables
- Set up for VR gaming
- Gigabit Ethernet for High-Speed Internet
- Ergonomic and Mechanical Chairs and Desks

Media Commons

- 17 Reservable Gaming PC Stations
- 11 Reservable Consoles Stations (PS5, PS4, Xbox Series X, Xbox One, Nintendo Switch, and Wii)
- Reservable HTC Vive, Valve Index, and PS4 VR Stations

Media Collection

- Open stacks of films, games, board games, and RPG books.
- Full collection can be browsed online.
- Items that are in remote storage typically take 24-72 hours turnaround.
- Online Media Collection of thousands of streaming films.
- https://discover.library.unt.edu/?f%5Bcollection_facet%5D%5B%5D%3DMedia+Library



How to Use Our Space

Reserving PCs/Console Stations

- Make your reservation:
<https://calendar.library.unt.edu/reserve/spaces/medialibrary>
- Select your gaming space and seat (Example: PC 14 in The Nest)
- Book up to 4 hours daily
- Check in at the front desk upon arrival

Wednesday, May 31, 2023
Go To Date: < >

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| The Nest - Alienware 02 | | | | | | |
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Media Library Space



UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES
Media Library

Checkout Policies

Media Library

- Video Games (3-day checkout)
- Consoles (3-day checkout)
- DVDs (3-day checkout)
- Tabletop Games (3-day checkout)
- Reserve Items (4-hour checkout)



Get in Touch

Want to learn more?

<https://library.unt.edu/media/>

Connect with us at:

Media Library

(940) 565-2480

Media.library@unt.edu





Making & Technology in the Library

Steven Sparkman

The Spark

Locations:

- Willis Library
- Discovery Park
- Frisco Landing



Overview

The Spark is a student focused service division within the UNT Libraries. As a unique combination of a hands-on experiential learning space (a makerspace) and a library circulating collection, our primary focus is providing access to a wide range of resources to not only support but enhance your UNT educational experience.



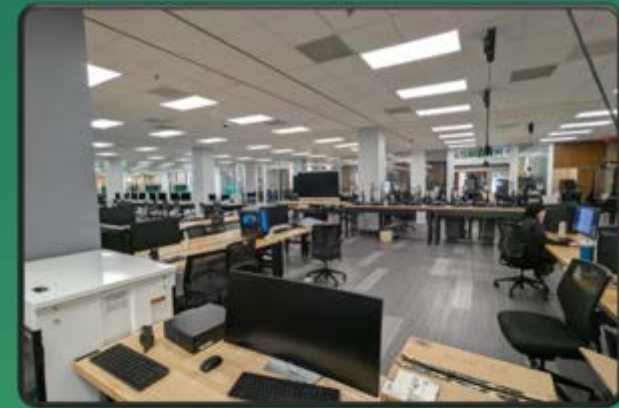
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Highlights

- Laptop Service
- DSLR Cameras
- 24-hour space during long semester



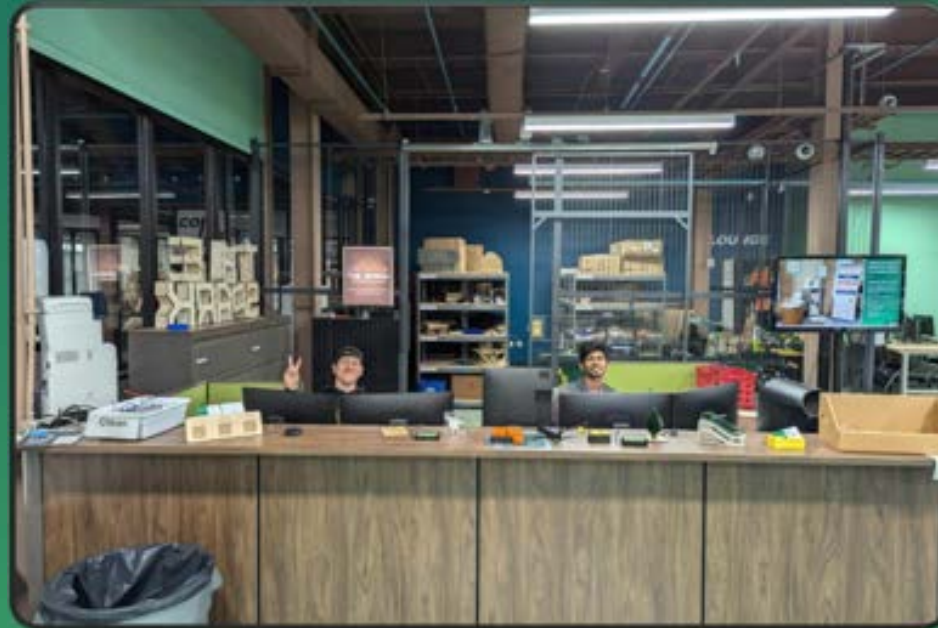
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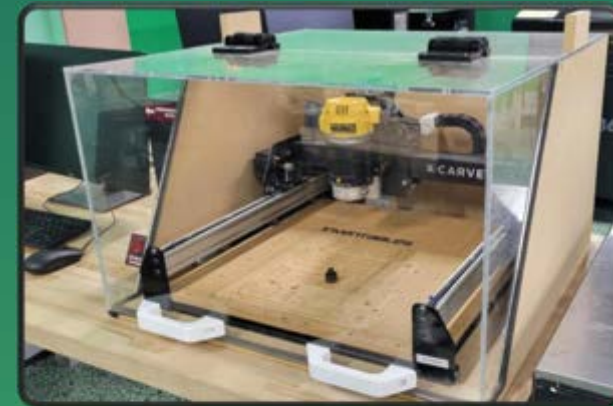
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Highlights

- Large CNC
- 3D Scanner
- Open to all Majors!



Discovery Park



The Spark

Highlights

- AV Equipment
- T-shirt printer
- Bookable Space!



Frisco Landing



The Spark

Front Desk

- Comfort checkout items.
- Help with paper printing.
- Long-term and short-term laptop checkouts.



The Spark

Maker Space

- In space equipment.
- Take home equipment.
- Trainings, consultations, and operator appointments.



The Spark

Outreach!

- K-12 Summer Programs
- Trio & Wise Collaborations
- In Space and Traveling Events!



The Spark

Website and Info

Find all this information and more! By checking out The Spark web page Below!

<https://guides.library.unt.edu/spark>

Or

Email: TheSpark@unt.edu

Phone: 940-369-5259

Check out our Podcast!





Researching in the Library

Devika Jagarlamudi & Jerrin Duty

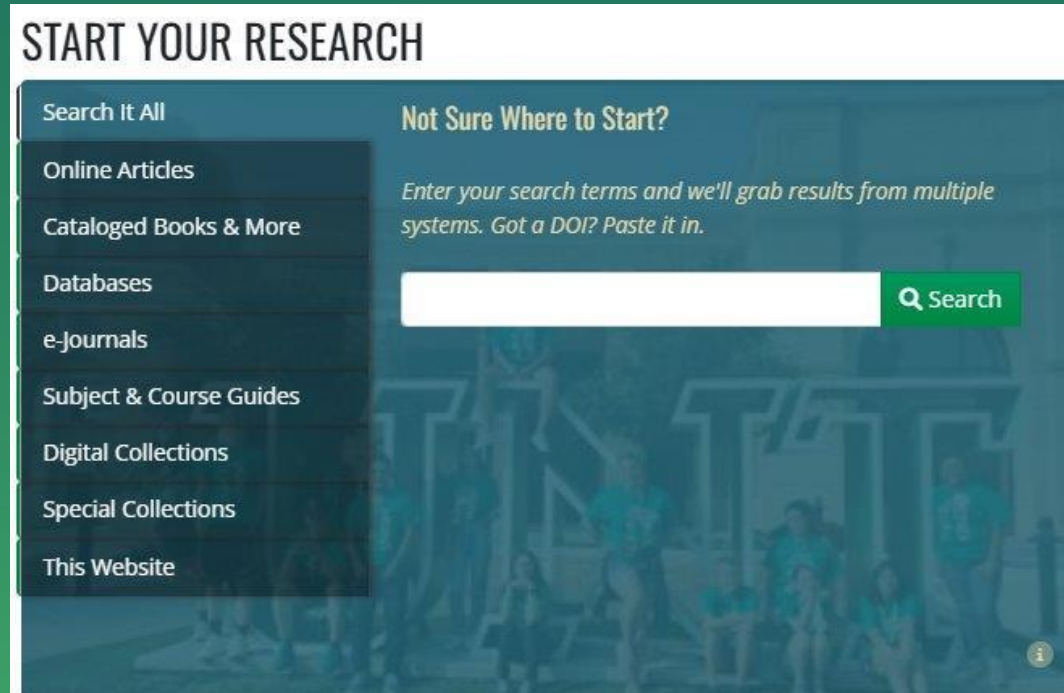


Information Resources

- Library website: Your research gateway

<https://library.unt.edu>

- Print and electronic books
- e-Journals
- Databases (712 databases!)
- Digital Library
- Portal to Texas History
- Special Collections



START YOUR RESEARCH

Search It All

Not Sure Where to Start?

Enter your search terms and we'll grab results from multiple systems. Got a DOI? Paste it in.

Online Articles

Cataloged Books & More

Databases

e-Journals

Subject & Course Guides

Digital Collections

Special Collections

This Website

Search

The screenshot shows a dark-themed navigation menu on the left with options like 'Search It All', 'Online Articles', 'Cataloged Books & More', 'Databases', 'e-Journals', 'Subject & Course Guides', 'Digital Collections', 'Special Collections', and 'This Website'. To the right, there's a section titled 'Not Sure Where to Start?' with a search bar and a green 'Search' button. The background of the website features a large, faint image of the UNT building.

Online Articles

- To find journal articles
- Select your discipline
- More search limiters on the results page

Advanced Search

<https://untexas.summons.serialssolutions.com/#!/>

- Use Boolean operators to narrow down your search

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Special Collections

Find an Article

Search journal articles here; broaden to newspapers and other sources from the results.

Search

Any Discipline

Limit To Only:

Peer-Reviewed

Full-text Online

on Date

Last 12 Months • Last 3 years • Last 5 years

BOOLEAN OPERATORS & MODIFIERS

| OPERATOR | SYMBOL | EXAMPLE | USE |
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| AND | + | POKEMON AND LEARNING COMICS +LIBRARIES | COMBINE KEYWORDS |
| OR | | CHATGPT OR BARD PASTA PIZZA | EITHER KEYWORD |
| NOT | - | PLANT-BASED NOT VEGAN ANIMALS -HORSES | EXCLUDE ALL RESULTS WITH THE UNWANTED KEYWORD |
| QUOTATIONS | " " | "TAYLOR SWIFT" "SOCIAL WORK" | ONLY RESULTS WITH THE PHRASE INCLUDED IN THE QUOTATIONS |
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| WILDCARD | ? OR * | WOM*IN PART* | ? MAKES SINGLE CHARACTER REPLACEMENTS; * INCLUDES ALL WORDS WITH THAT SECTION IN ORDER |

Databases

- To find journal articles, Choose from approximately 700 databases
- 62 Databases available for the science and around 33 databases for mathematics discipline

A-Z Databases: Sciences

Find the best library databases for your research.

Sciences (62) All Database Types All Vendors / Provider Search for Databases Go

62 Databases found for Sciences
Clear Filters/Browse All Databases

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Academic search complete
Academic Search Complete provides a scholarly collection providing full text coverage for over 10,500 journals for nearly all academic areas of study - including social sciences, humanities, education, computer sciences, engineering, language and linguistics, arts & literature, medical sciences, and ethnic studies, etc. Dates of Coverage: 1975 - Current

Academic video online

Sciences Experts
Science Librarian

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This Website

Find a Database
Access one of *about 700* electronic resources.

type for suggestions

Browse Subjects
type for suggestions

Off-campus?
Access can be tough when you aren't logged in. Some options:

- [Learn about off-campus access.](#)
- [Download and use the AnyConnect VPN Client.](#)
- [Use the link builder, bookmarklet, or chrome extensions.](#)

Subject and Course Guides

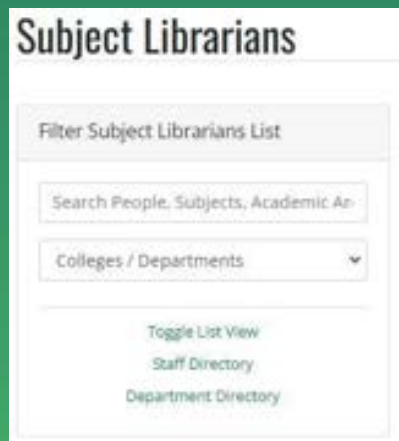
The screenshot shows a web interface for starting research. On the left is a navigation menu with options: Search It All, Online Articles, Cataloged Books & More, Databases, e-Journals, Subject & Course Guides (selected), Digital Collections, Special Collections, and This Website. The main content area is titled 'Search Subject & Course Guides' and includes a search box with the text 'type for subject suggestions'. Below this is a 'Browse Subjects' section with a search box containing 'scienc' and a dropdown list of course titles. The list includes: BIOL 1000: Discover Life Sciences, BIOL 1132: Environmental Science Lab, BIOL 1710: Biology for Science Majors I, BIOL 1720: Biology for Science Majors II, BIOL 3030: Careers in the Life Sciences, BIOL 3900: Advanced Research in Life Sciences, BIOL 5030: Foundations of Environmental Science, and COS 1100: Science Success Seminar. Each item has an external link icon. At the bottom left, there are sections for 'ASK US YOUR QUESTIONS' and 'MOST REQUESTED'.

- Information and resources for a specific course
- Information and resources for a specific subject
- Created and organized by subject librarians

Your Subject Librarian

<https://library.unt.edu/subject-librarians/>

- Search for people
- Filter by College or Department



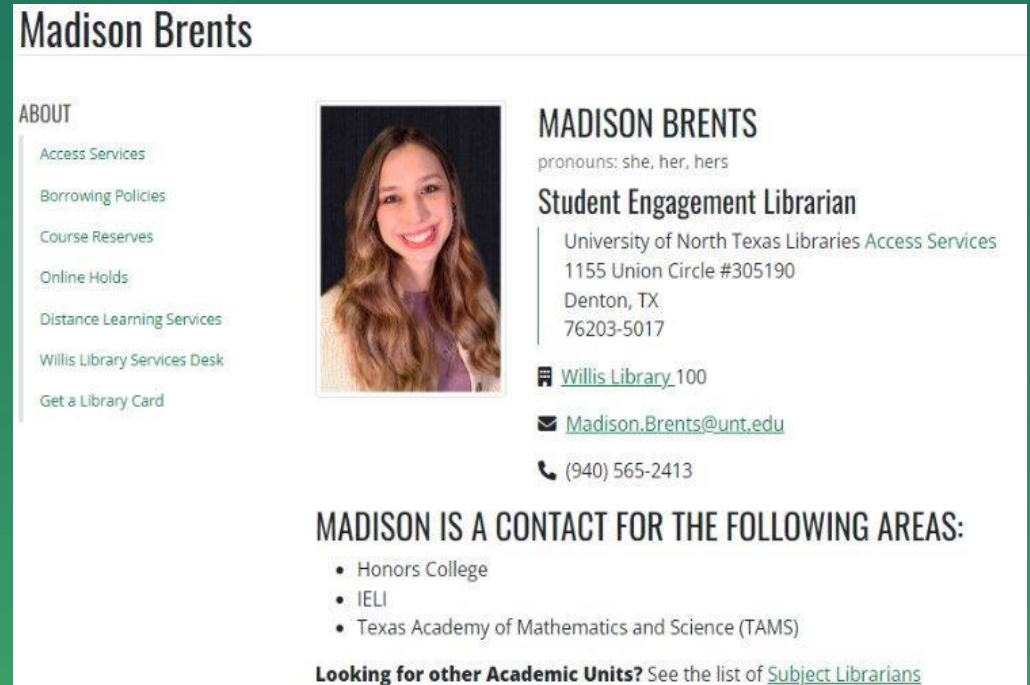
Subject Librarians

Filter Subject Librarians List

Search People, Subjects, Academic An-

Colleges / Departments


Toggle List View
Staff Directory
Department Directory




Madison Brents


ABOUT


- Access Services
- Borrowing Policies
- Course Reserves
- Online Holds
- Distance Learning Services
- Willis Library Services Desk
- Get a Library Card



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 Willis Library 100

 Madison.Brents@unt.edu

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MADISON IS A CONTACT FOR THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- Honors College
- IELI
- Texas Academy of Mathematics and Science (TAMS)

Looking for other Academic Units? See the list of [Subject Librarians](#)

Borrowing

- Bring your student ID card
- Checkout books
- Undergraduates – 6 weeks
- Unlimited number of books
- Unlimited renewals
- No overdue fines

CHECKOUT LOCATIONS

- Willis library service desk 1st floor
- Willis Self service pickup
- Self checkout machine
- Chose a different location – DP, Sycamore, Frisco




Borrowing

Online Holds

- Request books through Discover
- Click “Request pickup” log in, select location
- Processed within 48 hours if available
- Email notification when ready, pickup within 7 days

Course reserves & Equipment

- Available at service desks like calculators or online via instructor requests.
- Includes books, articles, chapter of books, videos, CD's
- Loan period varies, Limit of 4 items, No renewals

| Availability | Call Number | Availability | Request |
|------------------|-----------------------|--------------|--|
| Location | | | |
| Willis 3rd Floor | PS3553.A7894 A17 1996 | Available |  Request pickup |

Willis Library Svc Desk

Discovery Park Library Svc Desk

Frisco Landing Library Svc Desk

Music Library Svc Desk

Faculty - Deliver to Dept Office

Willis Self-Service Pickup

Interlibrary Loan

INTERLIBRARY LOAN

- Accessing items not available through UNT
- Interlibrary Loan (ILL) allows borrowing materials from other libraries
- Available to UNT faculty, staff, students, and retired faculty
- Picked up different locations or accessed electronically

Materials not available through ILL

- Textbooks
- Sound recordings
- DVD's and videos - faculty only

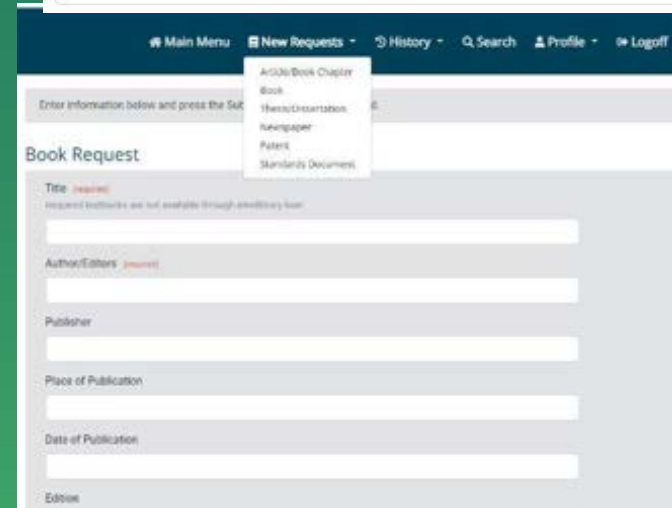
ILLIAD LOGIN

Make requests or manage [Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery](#), or [Distance Learning](#) through Illiad.

UNT Students, Staff, and Faculty

 Log into Illiad

[Forgot Password ?](#)



The screenshot shows the ILLIAD 'Book Request' form. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Main Menu', 'New Requests', 'History', 'Search', 'Profile', and 'Logoff'. Below the navigation bar, there is a dropdown menu with options: 'Article/Book Chapter', 'Book', 'Thesis/Dissertation', 'Newspaper', 'Patent', and 'Standards Document'. The main form area is titled 'Book Request' and contains several input fields: 'Title' (with a red asterisk indicating it is required), 'Author/Editors' (with a red asterisk), 'Publisher', 'Place of Publication', 'Date of Publication', and 'Edition'. A note above the 'Title' field states: 'request textbooks are not available through interlibrary loan'.

TexShare!

- Resource sharing among Texas academic and public libraries
- Borrow materials from other participating Texas libraries

Apply

- In person – Willis 1st floor
- Online – Email Access services
- Phone – 940-565-2413



Scholar Speak!

- Written by GSAs for the students (Currently expanding to include Library employees!!)
- Provides information on library services and resources
- <https://blogs.library.unt.edu/scholar-speak/>



Ask Us

Any questions? Ask Us!

<https://library.unt.edu/ask-us/>

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Text: (940) 202-2708

We are experiencing technical issues with the Text Us service. Please chat, call, or email if you have any questions.

CALL US

Phone: (940) 565-3245

Toll-free: (877) 872-0264

EMAIL US

Fill out the form below or email us at AskUs@unt.edu and we will answer your question within 48 hours. For subject specific questions, please contact a [Subject Librarian](#).





Questions?

We look forward to seeing you soon!