

# 21.K Libraries

## 21.K.1 The University of Michigan Library

The [University of Michigan Library](#), comprised of many libraries and collections across the Ann Arbor campus, is ranked among the top ten academic library in North America. For information on the administrative structure of the U-M libraries, see section [3.K.1 “Libraries”](#).

The collections that comprise the U-M library system, as well as the catalogs of some of the independent campus libraries and the UM-Flint library, can be accessed via the catalogue, Mirlyn. For more information, e-mail [ask-us@umich.edu](mailto:ask-us@umich.edu).

In addition, the University library is engaged in numerous digital library initiatives, some of which are described below:

- [Deep Blue](#) is the U-M’s permanent and accessible home for U-M-authored work and for representing our rich intellectual environment online.
- [Digital Library Production Service \(DLPS\)](#) provides infrastructure for campus digital library collections, including both access systems and digitization services.
- [HathiTrust](#) Digital Library is a digital preservation repository which preserves and provides discovery and access to digitized content from a variety of sources, including Google, the Internet Archive, Microsoft, and in-house partner institution initiatives.
- [U-M Digital Library Collections and Publications](#) is an alphabetical listing of all Production Service resources.
- [U-M Image Source](#) creates and delivers both licensed and freely available collections of digital images to the U-M and Internet communities.
- [UMDL Finding Aids](#) is the central access point for electronic finding aids for archival collections provided by UM DLPS.
- [UMDL Texts](#) is the central access point for electronic books and journals created by UM DLPS.
- [OAister](#) is a global collection of over 9.5 million previously difficult-to-access, academically-oriented digital materials.
- [Michigan Publishing](#) is the university’s library based publishing enterprise, and publishes scholarly, educational, and regional works in print and electronic formats.
- [Text Creation Partnership \(TCP\)](#) promotes scholarship and digital library development by creating high quality, cost-effective electronic text editions of historically significant works.

## 21.K.2 Additional University Libraries

- [Bentley Historical Library](#) Established in 1935 by the Board of Regents, the Bentley documents the history of the state of Michigan and the activities of its people and organizations, and serves as U-M’s official archive. Located at 1150 Beal Avenue on North Campus, this library holds more than 8,000 historical collections and archival record groups donated by citizens from across the state. Included in the holdings, which date from the era of exploration to the present day, are more than 40,000 linear feet of manuscripts; 58,000 printed volumes and newspapers; 1.5 million visual images (e.g., photographs, films, tapes); and 10,000 maps of Michigan and the Great Lakes region. The University community and visitors from around the world visit the library to conduct research in such subject areas as politics and public policy, education, migration and ethnicity, natural

resources and the environment, culture and the arts, military affairs, religion, business, and industry.

- [Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library and Museum](#) This archive contains the congressional, vice presidential, and presidential papers of former U.S. President Gerald R. Ford plus selected staff members; includes an audio visual collection covering the same time period. The library is part of the National Archives and Records Administration. It is located at 1100 Beal Avenue on North Campus.
- [Kresge Library Services](#) The Kresge Library provides access to a wide array of databases, books, journals, and specialized resources in the areas of accounting; business economics and public policy; computer and information systems; corporate strategy; finance and real estate; international business; law, history, and communication; marketing; operations management; organizational behavior and human resource management; and statistics and management science.
- [Law Library](#) The Law Library has one of the world's outstanding collections, with more than 875,000 volumes. The collection includes reports of the American federal and state courts as well as the court reports of Great Britain and the Commonwealth and of most European and South American countries. The constitutions, codes, and statutes of most foreign countries, as well as of the American states, are kept retrospectively and up-to-date. Legal documents for the United Nations, the European community, and other supranational authorities represent a particular strength of the collection; the library is a depository for European Economic Community documents and selected U.S. government documents. There are extensive special collections in the fields of Roman law, international law, comparative law, trials, biography, and legal bibliography. It is located in the Legal Research Building, 801 Monroe Street.
- [William L. Clements Library](#) The Clements library, located at 909 S. University (between the president's house and Shapiro Undergraduate Library), is a non-circulating library focusing on America from the age of exploration to the beginning of this century. This collection includes manuscripts, books, photographs, sheet music, and maps.

### 21.K.3 Other Services

- [Ask a Librarian](#)
- [Interlibrary Loan](#)
- [University Reserves](#)
  - E-mail: [university.reserves@umich.edu](mailto:university.reserves@umich.edu)
- [Visual Resources Collections](#)
  - Open to all U-M faculty and graduate students who may borrow slides and photographs for classroom use.  
E-mail: [vrum@umich.edu](mailto:vrum@umich.edu)
- [Document Delivery](#)
  - Faculty can have books and articles (PDFs) delivered for free to a campus address, or request pickup at a convenient library location.