



Health Sciences Library System

10 Things You Need to Know to Get Started at HSLs

1. The **Health Sciences Library System (HSLs)** at the University of Pittsburgh offers a wide array of research and information services, educational opportunities and resources for faculty, students, and researchers in the schools of the health sciences.
2. The **HSLs website**, www.hsls.pitt.edu, is the virtual “front door.” Here you will find listings of popular services and resources, quick access to print and electronic resources, full-text searching of e-books, A-Z access to journals and databases, upcoming classes and more! **Remote access** is available to University of Pittsburgh users through Pitt’s remote access service (<http://hsls.pitt.edu/services/remote>).
3. HSLs has an extensive collection, but if you need something we do not have in the collection, **Document Delivery Services** (<https://www.hsls.pitt.edu/document-delivery>) can supply at no cost.
4. **HSLs Liaison Librarians** (<https://www.hsls.pitt.edu/liaisons>) are integrated into schools and departments and collaborate with faculty to support instruction, research and scholarship. They provide formal instruction, guest lectures and customized orientation sessions, collaborate on research projects, provide assistance with researching health and biomedical topics and offer guidance with scholarly publishing.
5. **HSLs Research and Instruction Librarians** are experts in advanced literature searching. They are available to design and build complex literature searches to support clinical guidelines, systematic or scoping reviews, IACUC protocols or other in-depth projects.
6. **HSLs Data Services librarians** (<https://www.hsls.pitt.edu/data-services>) offer consultations and customized training to help you organize and describe your research data, write data management plans, create data visualizations, identify appropriate data repositories, cite datasets accurately, comply with data sharing policies, and preserve your data for long-term access.
7. The **HSLs Pitt Data Catalog** (<https://datacatalog.hsls.pitt.edu>) is managed by HSLs Data services and serves as a tool to help researchers identify and locate datasets created by University of Pittsburgh faculty. Consider increasing your visibility by including your dataset in the Pitt Data Catalog.
8. The **HSLs Molecular Biology Information Service** (www.hsls.pitt.edu/molbio) offers access to licensed software to support next gen sequencing, gene regulation, pathway analysis, microarrays, and genetic variation data analysis. Bioinformatics specialists provide regular workshops and individualized consultation.
9. **Sign up** (<http://subs.hsls.pitt.edu/>) to receive a weekly email about upcoming HSLs classes, subscribe to the HSLs newsletter, or receive Molecular Biology Information Services email alerts.
10. HSLs provides self-service **technology** on site at Falk Library, including computers, scanners, printers, and photocopiers. In-person help, equipment lending, and group study room reservations are available at the library’s **Technology Help Desk** (<https://www.hsls.pitt.edu/technology>), located on the upper floor of the library. (Falk Library: 200 Scaife Hall: <https://www.tour.pitt.edu/tour/scaife-hall>)