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# Library and Information Communication Committee (LICC)

**Report for the Faculty Senate** 



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# **Charges**

### **Charge 1**

Connect with global campus library services, especially Mills College.

Communicate the role of librarians in supporting new and existing faculty.

- See F. W. Olin (Oakland) Library Faculty Access
- See Faculty Senate Fall 2023 Survey Results

#### **Charge 2**

Identify opportunities for the university community to support and amplify messaging related to ongoing [Boston] library renovations.

See Resources and Contact Info

# F. W. Olin Library (Oakland) Faculty Access

- Anyone local with a Husky Card can check out circulating materials. Materials can also be requested via Interlibrary Loan.
- <u>Circulating collection subject strengths</u>: Performing & fine arts; Women's studies; Ethnic studies; California history, etc.
- <u>Special Collections subject strengths</u>: Fine press & Artists' books; Early Printed books; music archives; Mills College archive; etc. Books are cataloged on SOS; archives on oac.cdlib.org.
- <u>library.northeastern.edu</u> (Scholar OneSearch):
- Choose location drop-down menu (to the right of the search box) to limit to the Oakland library catalog.
- To contact librarians:
  - Help & Services menu (along top)->Subject Librarians & Specialists

# Faculty Senate Fall 2023 Survey Results

#### **Question:**

Describe how you engage Northeastern librarians in your classes, in your research, and/or in other ways.

#### **Respondent Demographics:**

- 64% of respondents were Full-Time, NTT.
- 82% of respondents were based in Boston, 7% were based in Oakland.

# **Key Takeaways:**

- The majority of respondents engage Northeastern libraries for class visits & to assist students in research projects.
- The second most frequent response related to engagement for faculty research; many respondents mentioned reliance on access to journals and databases for their research.
- Only 5 mentions of engagement with Special Collections (from 234 responses).

# Faculty Senate Fall 2023 Survey Results

## Representative Responses:

- "I engage librarians constantly. I invite a Librarian to my classes every semester to teach students how to research, use, citation, software, and so on. Our librarians at Mills have also been extraordinarily helpful in finding things that I need for my own research and suggesting other items."
- "Never" or "I don't engage"

Most respondents were either highly passionate about the importance of the Libraries and reported frequent engagement OR had never engaged with librarians at all.

# Library Resources and Contact Info

#### **Useful Links**

- Library
- Library Blog
- Library Calendar
- Subject Librarians
- Research Tutorials
- Global Campus Portals
- Snell Library Renovation Info

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# Find and Follow the Library on Social Media

For the latest news about the Northeastern University Library, visit our blog or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, Threads, and Twitter/X. Visit our Calendar of Events to see what in-person and virtual workshops, webinars, and events are happening.









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Senators - Help us spread the word through your newsletters!

# **Next Steps**

#### Connect with your subject librarian to stay informed.

- https://library.northeastern.edu/research\_instruction/subject-librarians/
- Ask to join their distribution list for updates and newsletters.

#### LICC will continue to analyze survey data.

 Identify additional ways to connect faculty and library resources.