

# The ULS and YOUR Research: Supporting you from information to insight

The ULS provides services, resources, and expertise to support every phase of your research, from discovery and design to creation and sharing.

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## Discovery

- **Search for articles and books** with PittCat+
- **Search disciplinary and multidisciplinary databases** like Scopus, ScienceDirect, or JSTOR
- **Identify existing datasets** for your research in repositories like ICPSR, Dryad, or Dataverse
- **Set up Browzine to create a personal bookshelf of favorite journals**
- **Borrow material** from other places through EZBorrow or inter-library loan
- **Request that we purchase** books, media, and technical standard documents
- **Explore primary resource collections** online or at the Archives Service Center, Special Collections, or the Center for American Music
- **Stay current** by identifying researcher communities and by creating alerts for new materials related to a topic of interest
- **Read and write** in the library. Doctoral candidates can request a private dissertation writing carrel
- **Collaborate** in one of our group study rooms

## Design

- Work with your library subject specialist to **conduct a literature review**
- **Manage your personal library** by using library-supported tools like Endnote, Mendeley and others
- **Identify collaborators** by analyzing authorship, readership and citation links in SciVal, Google Scholar, ResearchGate, or Mendeley
- **Identify funding** for research projects using PIVOT, Grants.gov or Foundation Center
- **Plan for your research data** by consulting with library specialists about formats, standards, and file management and by creating a plan using DMPTool

## Creation

- **Collaborate more efficiently and effectively** by using tools like Mendeley and cloud collaboration platforms like Box
- **Digitize research material** by using library self-service scanners or digitization services
- **Clean and shape your data** with the support of library specialists
- **Analyze, manipulate, and visualize spatial data** by using library-supported GIS tools and expertise
- **Discover hidden patterns and relationships in your data** by using library-supported visualization tools
- **Learn new ways of managing, analyzing, and representing data** by attending library-led workshops
- **Find in-person support for your digital scholarship** in Hillman Library's Digital Scholarship Commons
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## Sharing

- **Identify the best outlets** for your published work by consulting with a library specialist
- **Learn about your rights and responsibilities as an author** and how to respect the intellectual property rights of others through online guidance and consultations
- **Discover the benefits of open access publishing** and get guidance on license options that maximize sharing and reuse
- **Subsidize your eligible open access publications** by applying to use the ULS Open Access Author Fee Fund
- **Make your work more visible** by registering for an ORCID iD
- **Share your work openly** to increase visibility, spark new research, and meet funder requirements by depositing in D-Scholarship
- **Track the impact of your research** using SciVal, Journal Citation Reports, Essential Science Indicator, Scimago and Google Scholar
- **Track the impact of any work** that you deposit in D-Scholarship using PlumX altmetrics
- **Tell the story of your research impact** by developing a bibliometric profile with help from a library specialist