Illinois Institute of Technology's libraries include Paul V. Galvin Library; the Center for the Study of Ethics in the Professions (Mies Campus); the Graham Resource Center (Mies Campus); the Chicago-Kent College of Law Library (Downtown Campus); the Institute for Food Safety and Health Library (Moffett Campus); and University Archives and Special Collections (UASC) (Mies Campus).

Paul V. Galvin Library

As the university’s central library, Paul V. Galvin Library combines digital access with traditional library services. The library provides welcoming, safe, student-oriented spaces that accommodate both individual and collaborative learning. In addition to computers, printers, scanners, copiers, and 3-D printers, reservable group study rooms are available for student collaboration. The library’s extensive collections of print materials are enhanced by virtual services are provided 24 hours per day. Galvin Library provides seamless access to online databases as well as thousands of full text e-journals and e-books. The library also facilitates access to I-Share, a statewide resource sharing system of more than 85 academic libraries, and provides web-based delivery of materials including documents requested via interlibrary loan. The library also manages and maintains an institutional repository, open to all IIT students. Librarians have expertise to support a broad range of subjects and majors, are available for online or in-person assistance, and students can specifically research appointments for one-to-one research help.

Graham Resource Center

Located in the heart of Crown Hall, the Graham Resource Center (GRC) offers space, collections, and services in support of the curricula and intellectual life of the College of Architecture. To keep services flexible and responsive to learners’ needs, staff collaborate closely with faculty. To be a strong and reliable partner in research and education, the GRC is fully integrated into daily life at the College of Architecture.

In the past ten years, the GRC has expanded twice in order to accommodate use and growing collections. A wealth of subjects in architecture, from prehistory to the present, are encompassed by the collection of about 18,000 volumes in a variety of languages and formats. Modernist and contemporary architecture, landscape architecture, and urban design are primary focuses. Complementary disciplines such as construction, art, photography and film, engineering, and sustainability are also well-represented.

Two special research resources augment the GRC reference collections: works on Chicago’s history, peoples, land, and architecture comprise the first, putting into context Chicago and its built environment; the second, our “Mies Collection,” features a comprehensive Mies van der Rohe bibliography and study collection, as well as materials relating to the history of IIT’s campus and faculty.

Center for the Study of Ethics in the Professions

The center, located in Hermann Hall, contains a variety of materials dealing with professional and applied ethics, as well as how ethical and social issues arise in scientific research and emerging technologies. Home to the Ethics Codes Collection, the largest collection of codes and ethics and guidelines in the world, the library provides bibliographic assistance to students and researchers and assists visiting scholars and practitioners.
Chicago-Kent College of Law Library
312.906.5600
kentlaw.iit.edu/library

The law library at the Downtown Campus serves Chicago-Kent College of Law and other university programs taught at the downtown facility. The law library is one of the largest in the country, with more than 500,000 volumes of legal materials covering federal, state, local, and international jurisdictions. The law library is a depository for U.S. Federal, United Nations, and European Union materials. The law librarians provide research and instructional assistance to faculty and students of the law school, as well as tours and instruction to others who use the law library. Special collections include the Library of International Relations, the Law School Archives, and the Law School Institutional Repository.

Institute for Food Safety and Health Library
708.563.8160
library.iit.edu/ifsh

Located on Illinois Institute of Technology's Moffett Campus in Bedford Park, the branch library at the Institute for Food Safety and Health (IFSH) supports both the academic curriculum for the Department of Food Science and Nutrition, and the food safety and technology research being conducted at IFSH.

A depository library for the FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations), the library provides digital access to all of the Galvin Library's databases, as well as services such as interlibrary loan, web-based document delivery, and library instruction.

University Archives and Special Collections
312.567.6840
archives.iit.edu

Part of the Paul V. Galvin Library, University Archives and Special Collections (UASC) holds materials relating to every aspect of Illinois Institute of Technology's history, including non-current university records, papers of faculty members, alumni, and student organizations; publications, photographs, audiovisual materials, artifacts, and more. UASC holdings are non-circulating, and no special credentials or permissions are necessary to use the materials; UASC is open to the Illinois Institute of Technology community and general public for research and reference use. UASC staff are also able to assist students, faculty, and staff with archival research, and are available for classroom instruction sessions using primary source materials. Holdings can be searched at archives.iit.edu.