



# Olininfo

NEWSLETTER OF THE FRANKLIN W. OLIN LIBRARY AT ROLLINS COLLEGE

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## Olin Hours-Fall

Mon - Thurs.. 8:00am to Midnight  
 Friday ..... 8:00am to 6:00pm  
 Saturday ..... 9:00am to 6:00pm  
 Sunday ..... 11:00am to Midnight

## Calendar *online*—

<http://www.rollins.edu/olin/circulation/calendarpage.htm>

## Olin Telephone Numbers

Hours ..... 646-2376  
 Circulation ..... 646-2521  
 Reference ..... 646-2507  
 Documents ..... 646-2693  
 Archives ..... 646-2421

## Olin Info *online*—

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## Olin Library FAQ —

**Q** *Do I need a library card to check out books?*

**A:** Your R-card is your library card. Always bring it with you. The first time you check out material, we may need to add your information to our computer.

**Q** *Where can I find help to begin my library research?*

**A:** Information Desk (Main Floor). Librarians at the Information Desk will answer any of your questions about the library, such as:

- how to begin your research
- how to find books or journal articles



Sir Findalot

**Q** *Where do you find materials kept "on reserve?"*

**A:** Books or articles that instructors have placed on short-term loan for classes are located at the Circulation Desk. They are checked out using your R-card.

**Q** *How do I find books in the Olin library?*

**A:** Search the Online Catalog to:

- find books, journals, and audio visual materials available in Olin
- search by subject, title, or author
- find call numbers for books and audio visual materials; journals are arranged alphabetically
- make sure items are not checked out

**Q** *How do I find journal articles?*

**A:** Electronic databases available in the Olin Library and online will help you find articles. Some databases contain full-text articles, others give you necessary information to find the article in our periodical collection located on the first floor.

## Welcome to the Olin Library —

This special edition of *Olin Info* is designed to introduce you to the collections and services of the Olin Library. We invite you to visit and acquaint yourself with the library. Our Web page (<http://www.rollins.edu/olin/index.html>) is your gateway to the library catalog and the many electronic resources available to you.

Our collections are specially selected to support the academic programs at Rollins and we are a selective Federal Government Depository.

The Electronic Research and Information Center offers a late night study area and computer labs.

The Multimedia Area provides the latest technology, including computer workstations, scanners, color printers, DVD burners and a plasma projection system. Specialized software in this area includes graphical and video-editing programs.

Laptop computers may be checked out from the Circulation Desk to use throughout the building.

A staff of friendly and knowledgeable librarians will assist you in finding information for class and research assignments, extracurricular and work activities, and personal interests.

The Olin Library is your place for conducting research, searching the Internet, preparing multimedia presentations and creating Web pages, studying, or simply reading a book or magazine. We look forward to greeting you.

*Donna Cohen, Library Director*

### Your R-Card is required

- ✓ to check out books and videos
- ✓ to check out reserves
- ✓ to make photocopies
- ✓ to use study/listening rooms

## Books That Made a Difference —

Books can make a world of difference. Some can have an intensely personal significance, while others can even be life-changing. Willa Cather's *My Antonia* falls into the former category for me. As a boy growing up on the Great Plains, where Swedish and Czech immigrant communities overlap (my mother was Swedish, my father Czech), reading Cather's novel gave me an increased understanding of and respect for my ancestors, for the challenges they faced and the determination and character and love of life that those challenges fostered in them.

Perhaps the most life-changing, or at least life-enhancing, novel I have read is E. M. Forster's *Howards End*. When I read it for the first time in college, I admired those aspects that one is expected to appreciate—the poetic nature of its prose, for example, and its brilliant structure and sophisticated techniques (what Forster calls “internal stitching”)—but what impressed me most was the value system on which the narrative rests. It was like coming face to face for the first time with someone whose values seemed nearly identical to my own, only far more developed, more complete, and capable of teaching me much about what it means to be fully human. Forster is perhaps the last great spokesman for liberal humanism, and *Howards End* affirms the worthiness of those values, such as the primacy of the inner life, including the importance of personal relations, imagination, creativity, sympathy, breadth and comprehensiveness of vision, the life of the mind, and the ability to see life steadily and see it whole. One of the novel's strengths is Forster's recognition that these values need to be connected to those of the “outer life” of “telegrams and anger,” the world of wealth and power and practicality, if humankind is to be complete. The conclusion of *Howards End* is optimistic insofar as it asserts the possibility of a world in which the values of liberal humanism can survive and shape the course of human history, but Forster knew in 1910 when his novel was published that logic suggested otherwise; as the narrator remarks, “one's hope was in the weakness of logic.” Events of the next decades confirmed Forster's worst fears; the inner life and personal relations were overwhelmed by the outer life of power and materialism as two world wars raged in Europe. We seem once again to be living in an era in which political and military power exert more influence on human behavior than such intangibles as respect for personal relations or the ability to imagine and sympathize with the lives of others. So *Howards End* is as relevant now as it was when it was first published. Reading (or rereading) it is a rich experience; it gives one “hope this side of the grave,” as Forster might say, and it asks you to examine what you value most about the human experience. Thinking about what it means to be fully human is something most of us seldom take time out to do; *Howards End* can help us do that.

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*Dr. James S. Malek,  
Vice President for  
Academic Affairs and  
Provost*

## When Will You Need Your Rollins College Passwords —

- You need your **Novell** user name and password to login to computer lab workstations with the ability to print, save documents on the H drive, view the R drive, and upload personal web pages.
- You need your **Campus Pipeline** password to send and receive e-mail from your parents, friends and professors, access class message boards and groups, register for classes, see your financial aid account, class schedule, grades, and transcripts.
- You need your **Blackboard** account to access course websites and resources.

Need help with your accounts? Call the Help Desk at x6363, or visit them on the lower level of the Olin Library. - LW

## Using the Library Online —

The Library now provides more information than ever before, even when you're not in the building. You will quickly learn that the online catalog is the best tool for finding books and other materials in the library, and that it's available on the Web. But many students don't know that they can use the catalog to show the items they currently have checked out along with the dates those items are due, and even to renew those items to a later due date. To do this, you must have a Personal Identification Number (PIN), which can be obtained upon request at the circulation desk.

Another feature of the catalog allows you to borrow and read entire books online. A growing number of records within the catalog display the item type "E-Book." These records include a link stating "An electronic book accessible through the World Wide Web." Following that link takes the user to an online version of the book through the *netLibrary* service. Like paper books, each e-book can be used by only one person at a time and can be browsed, borrowed, and renewed. To borrow or renew an e-book, or to access the e-books Rollins College provides from a computer outside of the Rollins campus, you must first create an account for yourself while using the *netLibrary* site from an on-campus computer.

The catalog also includes a growing number of E-Reserves. Rollins instructors often place materials (articles, book chapters, and other items) on reserve for use by the students in their courses. You can search for these materials by clicking on the "Reserve Desk" link in the library catalog. Paper reserve items are available for borrowing at the circulation desk, while electronic reserves are accessible online.

Most Rollins students often need to locate journal articles for their studies. Journal articles are more focused than books, can be more up to date, and cover a wider range of topics. To locate journal articles, the Library's many online databases offer not only indexing of when and where an article was published, but also in many cases the full text of the article, which can be read and printed directly from the computer. The most popular among these databases is *ProQuest Direct*, which provides citations and full text for articles in thousands of scholarly journals, popular magazines, and newspapers. Students researching more thoroughly or looking for more obscure topics often get better results from more specialized databases such as JSTOR, which archives journals in the social sciences and humanities going back more than a century, or subject specific databases such as *America: History & Life* or *The Philosopher's Index*. Most databases are available from any computer on the campus network. *ProQuest* and *FirstSearch* are available anywhere on the Web to users with a Rollins College e-mail account.

When a book or an article isn't available from the Olin Library, it can probably be obtained through interlibrary loan. Requests for these loans can be made online using the Interlibrary Loan Request Form. This requires your R-number and detailed publication information; you might want to ask a librarian for assistance the first time you go through the process.

All of these services can be accessed through the Library Web site at <http://www.rollins.edu/olin>. Reference librarians are available in the Library to assist with research or other questions. E-mail reference service is also available via the link from the Olin Library home page. - WLS



## Fun Web Sites —

### Crash Course in Being an Intellectual:

*Arts & Letters Daily*  
<http://www.artsandlettersdaily.com/>

This is a site that compiles provocative essays; cultural commentary; stories on controversial news events; political insight, theater, art, and book reviews; links to online journal and newspapers; and a little bit of gossip. *Arts & Letters Daily* is a great place to keep in touch with the world around you.

### Online Reference Shelf:

*Bartleby*  
<http://www.bartleby.com/reference/>

Need a dictionary, thesaurus, encyclopedia, book of quotations, or etiquette information? Bartleby has free, searchable collections of these high-use reference books.

### Looking for Dorm room art?

*Art.com*  
<http://art.com>

Don't settle for the tired old prints found in other dorm rooms. *Art.com* has thousands of prints, ranging from the classics, old advertisements, vintage sports, to pop art. The searchable database lets you narrow your search to things like stained glass windows, lakes, or cathedrals.

### Is this too Weird to be true?

*Truth or Fiction*  
<http://www.truthorfiction.com/>

Ever wonder if it's true that shampoo causes cancer? Or that Procter & Gamble is affiliated with Satanism? Or that people can produce bonsai cats by raising kittens in jars? Or that *Outback Steakhouse* is sending steak dinners to soldiers in Afghanistan? Log in and find a summary of the rumor and whether or not it is true. Hint: all of the above are fiction, except the one about *Outback Steakhouse!* -DM



*Laurie Gardner  
Student Assistant of  
the Year, 2003*

## Work-Study: Consider the Library —

The Olin Library employs many students during the academic year. These students are essential to keep the library running smoothly. At the end of each academic year, we award our most coveted plaque for the ***Student Assistant of the Year***. This honor is bestowed on the student assistant who is versatile, dependable, punctual, motivated, has a positive attitude, and produces quality work. The award includes a plaque for the student to take with them, their name etched on a plaque in the Olin Library lobby, and a book donated to the library and plated in their name.

We invite you to work in the Olin Library where you can select variable hours, nights or weekends, shelve interesting books, work with the public, and meet new friends. -PH

## They said the world was flat —

They were wrong. They say Government information is hard to find. They're wrong again.



Information is available from your Government on topics ranging from business, education, humanities, energy, and the environment, to health, science and technology, travel, and much more. Visit your Olin Library Government Documents Department on the third floor and explore the information resources on our Documents Home Page at: <http://www.rollins.edu/olin/documents/docfrm.htm>. - DB



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## Summer Research in the College Archives —

As a part of the Rollins student-faculty collaborative scholarship program, Ryan Hudnall '04 and Corey Schreck '04 experienced a unique opportunity conducting historical research in the Olin Archives and Special Collections Department. The subject of their study was infinitely fascinating. The charismatic personality of Hamilton Holt, the campus architecture and landscapes under his administration, and the amazing people that he brought to Rollins – including Presidents Franklin Roosevelt, Calvin Coolidge, and Harry Truman; Thomas Edison, Mary McLeod Bethune, and other notable scholars – all had fascinating stories and intriguing photographs to accompany them.



*Ryan Hudnall; Trudy LaFramboise, Archival  
Specialist; and Corey Schreck*

Although the process of selecting and researching each photo image was time consuming and, at times, tedious, Ryan and Corey acquired a better understanding of research principles and a deeper appreciation for the role of historical accuracy in documentation. Working on this project, they also had the opportunity to explore various computer-scanning programs and a new library digitization system. As a result, Corey and Ryan report that they are becoming more complete scholars and efficient computer users.

Thanks to the nature of the research and investigation they have conducted, Corey and Ryan now have the ability to recognize proper methods of historical documentation, a knowledge of the correct procedure for the handling of sensitive documents, a technical and aesthetic appreciation for primary documents, and a new sense of awe at materials owned and created by the founders and bearers of the flag of their future alma mater. Indeed, learning about the past of a school they know and love has been a privilege. For anyone who wishes to gain a greater understanding and appreciation for Rollins, Ryan and Corey highly recommend spending some time in the College Archives.

For additional information, please visit the Department's home page at: <http://www.rollins.edu/olin/archives/> or call: (407) 646-2421.