

## Our Mission

*The mission of the Merritt College Library is to support the institutional goals and objectives of the College by providing access to relevant information resources and technologies, as well as information literacy instruction, to the diverse college community.*



### Hours

#### **Fall & Spring Semesters**

Monday–Thursday	8:00 am–8:00 pm
Friday	8:00 am–4:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am–4:00 pm
Sunday	closed

#### **Inter- & Summer Sessions**

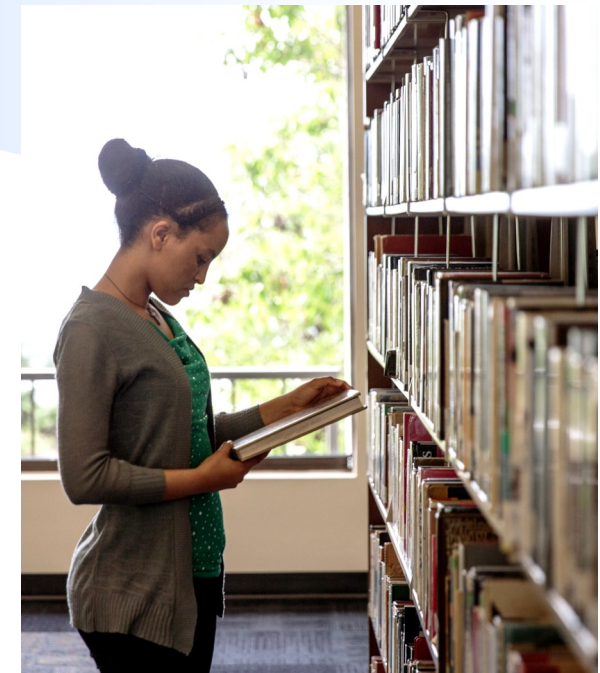
Monday–Thursday	9:00 am–4:00 pm
Friday–Sunday	closed

### Contacts

Circulation/Reserves	436-2457
Periodicals	436-2555
Reference	436-2557

### Address

Merritt College Library  
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12500 Campus Drive  
Oakland, CA 94619  
[merrittlib@peralta.edu](mailto:merrittlib@peralta.edu)  
[www.merritt.edu/wp/library](http://www.merritt.edu/wp/library)





## Collections

- 47,000 Circulating Books
- 16,000 E-Books
- 3,000 Reference Books (atlases, citation/style guides, dictionaries, encyclopedias, handbooks, etc.)
- 400 Reserves (textbooks, lab & solutions manuals, study guides, etc.)
- 90 Periodicals (journals, magazines, & newspapers)
- 80 Research Databases



## Technology

The Library provides 24 computers, a networked printer, and two photocopiers for student use. Students may log into the library computers with their student ID numbers for two 2-hour sessions per day. Wireless Internet access is available throughout the library on an open Wi-Fi network called “peraltanet”. Printing requires the purchase of a GoPrint card. Printouts and copies cost \$0.10 per page.

## Services

### ***Instruction***

LIS 85: *Intro to Information Resources*, an online credit course on information literacy, is presently offered. Consult the current class schedule for further details. Library research orientation sessions are also available for classes upon faculty request.

### ***Reference***

Librarians are available at the Reference Desk during all open hours to answer reference questions, demonstrate proper citation methods and styles, and assist students with their research.

### ***Study Space***

Individual carrels with electrical outlets, as well as communal tables, are situated throughout the Library for student use. Groups of two or more may reserve one of the three study rooms for a two-hour period with a student ID card.



## Access & Borrowing

All current Merritt students, faculty, and staff have library access and borrowing privileges. This includes physical access to the Library during open hours, as well as online access to electronic resources when the Library is closed. Students must present a Peralta student ID card to borrow library materials. Replacement and processing fees shall be charged for lost or unreturned items.

### ***Loan Periods***

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| • General Books       | 3 weeks  |
| • E-Books             | 2 days   |
| • Reserve Textbooks   | 2 hours* |
| • Periodicals         | 2 hours* |
| • Special Collections | 2 hours* |

\*Library use only

### ***Remote Authentication***

Merritt students, faculty, and staff can access library databases and e-books off campus via the library website by logging in with their Peralta student/employee ID numbers when prompted.