Library Quick Facts

- 1. Electronic databases and journals are accessible from anywhere with your NinerNet Login.
- 2. Your university ID card is also your library card. You will need it to check out physical items from our collection. Graduate students can check out books for 60 days with two renewals.
- 3. You can request journal articles, books and microfiche unavailable in our collection using our Interlibrary Loan (ILL) service. ILL requests need to be picked up at the Information Desk.
- 4. The MPA research guide will help you explore relevant databases in your research areas. The guide also includes concept and how-to videos to help you create effective search strategies.
- 5. You can search for and request books from our collection and beyond using the library catalog/search system from the <u>library homepage</u>. Watch these short videos to get started: <u>request books</u> <u>browse books</u> <u>request materials from other libraries</u> <u>use the Advanced Search</u>
- 6. Publish your presentations and other forms of scholarship through the campus institutional repository: Niner Commons. You can submit formal scholarship, such as pre-prints of scholarly articles, but it also is a great space for publishing your presentation materials, conference proceedings, and more.
- 7. The library is open 24/5 during the regular school year. The library closes on Fridays and Saturdays at 10 p.m. and transitions to 24/7 during finals.
- 8. If you need private space to work with groups or alone, you can reserve library study rooms up to 2 weeks in advance. There are also several graduate and quiet study rooms in the library on the main and ground floor. All of the tower floors of the library (4-10) are also quiet zones.
- Technology in the library includes a visualization lab, makerspace, video studios and gaming lab, located in <u>Area 49</u> on the 2nd floor of the library. There is also <u>technology you can check out from</u> <u>the library</u>, including laptops (see Information Desk), cameras, audio production equipment, projectors, and more.
- 10. The Adobe Creative Cloud is available in the library and in many campus labs. The campus also provides free access to the <u>Microsoft Office Suite and other software</u>. Contact the <u>OneIT Help Desk</u> in the library for support.
- 11. Students with children ages 0-16 can use one of the two <u>family-friendly library rooms</u>. They provide common space for students and their children to learn and play.
- 12. Research assistance is available from the librarian for the MPA and affiliated certificate programs (Amanda Binder, abinder3@uncc.edu), Data Services Librarian (Reese Manceaux, ramancea@uncc.edu), or through our Ask Atkins service (phone, chat, email and text).