Library Services:

The Library is staffed between 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. It is accessible to all members of the Olin community 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, by using an ID card.

The Library’s collection of print and electronic books can be searched in the catalog directly from the Library website.

The electronic and print journals can be accessed on the Library website by following the Journals link.

Materials may be checked out anytime using the Self-Checkout station at the main desk.

Olin community members may borrow and access materials from Babson and Wellesley Colleges.

Students, faculty, and staff can request materials (books/articles) not owned by the Library to be borrowed from other libraries through the Inter-Library Loan services. The ILL request form can be found on the Library website. Requests can also be emailed to ill@olin.edu.

Reference assistance is provided via drop-in, e-mail, IM, or scheduled appointments.

Research consultations can be scheduled for individuals or teams. Help with electronic resources use and other in-depth instruction is available.

Course support is available through reserves, course-specific resource guides, tailored library instruction, and curriculum or assignment development involving information literacy.
Information fluency is promoted through library instruction. Online modules for competency-level research skills are being developed in support of college-wide academic goals. In-class customized library instruction can be requested by faculty.

The Library serves as a resource to inform the Olin community about current issues and hot topics such as copyright guidelines.

Directory:

**FIRST FLOOR**
Self-Checkout station at the Circulation Desk
Copier/printer/scanner (MH150X01)
Course reserves
Library staff offices
Study rooms
Art & Photography collections
Atlases
DVDs, videos, and CDs
Pedagogy collection
Sustainable engineering design collection
Display boards
Display center with library publications and guides
Legos, Mindstorms, K'nex, and other building kits
Modeling clay
Magnetic white boards
One public computer
TV with DVD and VHS players

**LOWER FLOOR**
Books
Journal collection (print)
Tools collection
Material Samples collection
Microfiche/film reader
Newspapers
Three public computers
Intuos2 Wacom Pen Tablet
Post-Graduate Planning offices

**Additional Resources:**

**Tools and Materials Collections** can be browsed from the Library website as well as on the Lower Floor of the Library. The Tools can be borrowed by contacting library_handtools@olin.edu.

**Institutional Repository**, which is an online collection of Olin faculty and student publications can be accessed from the Library website by following the Digital Commons link, http://digitalcommons.olin.edu/.

**Library Mission:**

**Mission**
The library furthers Olin College’s mission by selecting, developing, deploying, and managing resources and services that foster independent thought, learning, and innovation while cultivating the human element in engineering design and pedagogy.

**Aspiration**
The Library strives to embody Olin's philosophy of innovation in engineering and continual improvement by 1) designing systems for the cultivation of independent thought, research skills, the human element in engineering design and pedagogy, and lifelong learning; 2) creating new and strengthening existing partnerships to broaden the scope of the library’s resources; and 3) leveraging emerging technologies & practices to serve Olin and the broader learning community. The library seeks to create transparency in resource discovery and facilitate the educational goals of the College and engineering education.