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The Derrell C. Roberts Library <<http://www.daltonstate.edu/library>> provides access to an extensive collection of resources and services. This recently expanded and renovated 57,700 square foot facility houses approximately 117,000 volumes, 340 current periodical subscriptions, 8000+ media items, 50,000 e-books, and is a federal government documents repository. Books, periodicals, government documents, e-books, and media can be identified by using the **GIL @ DSC** Online Catalog <<http://gil.daltonstate.edu>>. Use the **GIL Universal Catalog** to locate materials owned by other USG libraries to facilitate interlibrary loan or GIL Express borrowing. Through the GALILEO (Georgia Library Learning Online) virtual library, 40 public workstations offer access to 200 + full-text databases with over 18,000 full-text periodicals, subject indexes and directories, online reference materials, and Georgia documents and historical papers. GALILEO, Georgia's statewide library consortia, is essential in providing students and faculty with online resources through cooperative licensing. In addition to GALILEO, the Roberts Library provides access to specialized databases like GaleNET, Proquest Nursing, and Proquest Education. All online resources are linked off the Library's GALILEO page <<http://www.galileo.usg.edu>>. Students and faculty may access these resources on campus without a password. All students and faculty, including distance learners, can gain off-campus access by going to the Library's main page and clicking on **PASSWORD**.

The Library's service desks are located as you enter the Library. The Circulation Desk is where staff will gladly assist you with items that instructors place on Course Reserve, use the photocopiers, pull print jobs, and check-out library materials. With a current driver's licence, DSC students can check-out wireless laptops and use them throughout the building. Materials that have recently been added to the collection and a small collection of best sellers are located behind the Circulation Desk to fulfill recreational reading needs. The Reference Desk is where you can get answers to questions about course assignments or personal research. Reference staff stand ready to assist you by demonstrating the best search techniques and helping to evaluate the many resources that are available. If interested, faculty can request library instruction classes tailored to course assignments either in person or via the web page. Our instruction classroom is located in the Library and is equipped with wireless laptops. Our Reference Collection, adjacent to the service desk, contains general and subject dictionaries and encyclopedias, almanacs, directories, statistical resources, and multivolume criticism sets. As a selective federal documents repository, the Roberts Library contains many authoritative studies and informational documents published by various federal agencies. Many of these documents are linked to the federal agency site through **GIL @ DSC** Online Catalog. This collection is located on the first floor in the new west wing. Round out your tour of the first floor by having a snack in our break room which is outfitted with vending machines and dining tables.

The second floor is accessible with an elevator and stairwells, two of which are across from the Circulation Desk. All circulating books and media items are located upstairs as well as the media viewing room and nine group study rooms. Group study rooms are reserved for groups of two or more and are primarily for student use. Rooms are first come, first served. Media staff can assist in finding appropriate media and can even assist faculty in the creation of videos, CDROMs, PowerPoint

slides and other media presentations. Students who need adaptive technology can get access to the Adaptive Technology Center which is also on the second floor. The second floor has been designated as the quiet study floor and offers many quiet nooks and comfortable seating, including glider rockers that overlook walking paths and woodland views.

In addition to using the Roberts Library facilities, DSC distance learning students may find it more convenient to make use of local public libraries. Agreements are in place with Catoosa, Pickens, and Gilmer public libraries to assist currently enrolled DSC students who live in their service areas. In addition, the Dalton Public Library will circulate materials to students with a current validated I.D. The staff at these public libraries have agreed to help DSC students and refer them to staff at the Roberts Library if necessary. All electronic resources are available to all students regardless of their location. Get off-campus access information from the Library's Password page. Distance learners can call for information 706-272-4527 or send us a question via Ask-A-Librarian. We're here to help.

The library is open over 73 hours a week during main semesters and is open 24/7 via the Library's web site <<http://www.daltonstate.edu/library>>. Library hours, including changes in schedule for summer, holidays and intercession, can be found at <<http://gil.daltonstate.edu/calreq.php>>. Main semester hours are:

Monday-Thursday	7:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Friday	7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The Roberts Library staff encourages you to take full advantage of the resources and services that the Library has to offer. We look forward to seeing and hearing from you. Suggestions and questions are welcome either in person, by e-mail, or in our Suggestion Box which is located in the Library foyer. Make the Library a regular part of your college experience.

