About the Library

Website: **www.mtech.edu/library**

Library Hours: Monday-Thursday 7:30 AM – 10:00 PM

Friday 7:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Saturday 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Sunday 1:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Librarian: Conor Cote
- **phone –** 406.496.4839
- **email –** **ccote@mtech.edu**

Librarians:

- Email, call or drop by office with questions or schedule an appointment for longer meeting
- Librarians can help with:
    - Developing a research question or subject
    - Finding and evaluating information sources in the library and online
    - Citing and managing references efficiently and ethically, including avoiding plagiarism
    - Troubleshooting access to electronic resources (ebooks, articles, etc.)

Finding sources

- *To find articles:*
    - *By subject:* Start with the library's **HCI Subject Guide** and then search the recommended databases on that subject
        - If you don't know what database to start with, try **Science Direct** as it contains many articles in the HIC
    - *By title:* Go to **Google Scholar**
        1. Go to *Settings*
        2. Go to *Library Links*
        3. Search for "Montana Tech"
        4. Select and check "Montana Tech University – Get full text @ MT_Tech"
        5. Save your settings
        6. Search for the **exact title** of the article you're trying to find
        7. If the article is available through one of the library's subscriptions, a "Get full text @ MT_Tech" link will appear to the right of each search result.
    - *Article citations:*
        - Many students find it helpful to use citation management software like Zotero, Mendeley, or RefWorks to keeping track of citations
        - Most databases and Google Scholar have "Cite" or "Export" citation options that allow you to save your citations in a specific format
- *To find journals*: Go to **eJournals**
    - *By title:* Select the "Title" tab and search for a specific journal title
        - Be sure to pay attention to the links below each journal name as different links may take you to different years of the journal
        - Click the ⓘ button to see if the journal is peer-reviewed
        - Browse the journal by year, or search all articles published on a specific subject

- o *By subject:* Select "Subject" tab and select a specific subject and sub-topic to browse all eJournals in a given discipline
- *To find books*:
  - o Ask a librarian to show you where books on specific topics are shelved
  - o Go to the library's **Catalog** and search for a specific title or subject
  - o Go to **Safari** or **Springer** to search for ebooks in HCI

Interlibrary loan

1. Register for an **Interlibrary Loan** account
2. Log in with your username and password
3. Select the "Request a Photocopy" form to request articles
4. Select the "Request a Loan" form to request books, proceedings, government documents etc.
5. Fill out each form as completely as possible
6. You will receive an email notification when your request is available

Scholarly vs. Non-Scholarly Sources

- **Author:** Who is the author? An academic? A journalist? What are their credentials? Who is the editor?
- **Bibliography:** Is there one? What kinds of sources are cited? Websites? News articles? Journals?
- **Publisher:** Who is the publisher? A university? A professional organization? A major publisher like Wiley?
- **Peer review:** Does the publication participate in the peer review process? Is there a board of professionals or experts reviewing content prior to publication?