

Liaison Librarian Service



The Galter Health Sciences Library's Liaison Librarian Service creates partnerships between the library and its constituents by pairing librarians with departments, centers, institutes, and programs at the Feinberg School of Medicine (FSM). The aim is to enhance communication, collaboration, and the effectiveness of the library in supporting the education, clinical, and research needs of the FSM community. Please see the Liaison Librarian Service description at the end of this page for further information.

Departments

Departments	Liaison
Anesthesiology	Linda O'Dwyer
Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics	Pamela Shaw
Cell and Molecular Biology	Pamela Shaw
Dermatology	Corinne Miller
Emergency Medicine	Linda O'Dwyer
Family and Community Medicine	Patty Smith
Medical Education	Jonna Peterson
Medicine	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
Allergy-Immunology	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
Cardiology	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
Endocrinology, Metabolism, and Molecular Medicine	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
Gastroenterology and Hepatology	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
General Internal Medicine and Geriatrics	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
Hematology/Oncology	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
Hospital Medicine	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
Infectious Diseases	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
Nephrology and Hypertension	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
Pulmonary and Critical Care	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller

Rheumatology	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
Medical Social Sciences	Corinne Miller
Microbiology-Immunology	Pamela Shaw
Neurological Surgery	Pamela Shaw
Neurology	Pamela Shaw
Obstetrics and Gynecology	Corinne Miller
Ophthalmology	Linda O'Dwyer
Orthopaedic Surgery	Pamela Shaw
Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery	Eileen Wafford
Pathology	Pamela Shaw
Pediatrics	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
Pharmacology	Pamela Shaw
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	Eileen Wafford
Physical Therapy and Human Movement Sciences	Eileen Wafford
Physiology	Pamela Shaw
Preventive Medicine	Mark Berendsen
Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences	Linda O'Dwyer
Radiology	Eileen Wafford
Radiation Oncology	Eileen Wafford
Surgery	Eileen Wafford
Breast Surgery	Eileen Wafford
Cardiac Surgery	Eileen Wafford
Gastrointestinal & Oncologic Surgery	Eileen Wafford
Organ Transplantation	Eileen Wafford
Pediatric Surgery	Eileen Wafford
Plastic Surgery	Eileen Wafford
Thoracic Surgery	Eileen Wafford
Trauma & Critical Care	Eileen Wafford
Vascular Surgery	Eileen Wafford
Urology	Corinne Miller

Feinberg Institutes & Centers

Institutes & Centers	Liaison
Bluhm Cardiovascular Institute	Jonna Peterson
Center for Genetic Medicine	Pamela Shaw

Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (NUCATS)	Pamela Shaw
Center for Translational Innovation (CTI)	Karen Gutzman
Center for Clinical Research (CCR)	Jonna Peterson
Center for Community Health (CCH)	Eileen Wafford
Center for Data Science and Informatics (CDSI)	Pamela Shaw
Center for Education and Career Development (CECD)	Karen Gutzman
Comprehensive Center on Obesity (NCOO)	Linda O'Dwyer
Comprehensive Transplant Center	Eileen Wafford
Feinberg Cardiovascular Research Institute	Jonna Peterson
Interdepartmental Immunobiology Center	Pamela Shaw
Institute for Public Health and Medicine (IPHAM)	Eileen Wafford
Biostatistics Collaboration Center	Pamela Shaw
Buehler Center on Aging, Health and Society	Jonna Peterson
Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities	Eileen Wafford
Center for Behavior and Health	Linda O'Dwyer
Center for Communication and Health	Linda O'Dwyer
Center for Community Health	Eileen Wafford
Center for Education in Health Sciences	Jonna Peterson
Center for Engineering and Health	Eileen Wafford
Center for Global Health	Eileen Wafford
Center for Healthcare Studies	Linda O'Dwyer
Center for Health Information Partnerships	Jonna Peterson
Center for Patient-Centered Outcomes	Mark Berendsen
Center for Population Health Sciences	Eileen Wafford
Center for Primary Care Innovation	Jonna Peterson
Center for Translational Metabolism and Health	Jonna Peterson
Institute for Sexual and Gender Minority Health and Wellbeing	Corinne Miller
Louis A. Simpson and Kimberly K. Querrey Institute for BioNanotechnology in Medicine (SQI)	Karen Gutzman
Neuroscience Centers	Pamela Shaw
Les Turner ALS Research and Patient Care Center at Northwestern Medicine	Pamela Shaw
Center for Rare Neurological Diseases (CRND)	Pamela Shaw
Center for Circadian and Sleep Medicine	Pamela Shaw
Asher Center for the Study and Treatment of Depressive Disorders	Linda O'Dwyer
Cognitive Neurology and Alzheimer's Disease Center	Pamela Shaw
Center for Behavioral Intervention Technologies	Pamela Shaw
Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Center	Pamela Shaw
Northwestern Scleroderma	Pamela Shaw
Osher Center for Integrative Medicine at Northwestern University	Eileen Wafford

Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center	Karen Gutzman
The Cancer Survivorship Institute (CSI)	Linda O'Dwyer
The Northwestern Brain Tumor Institute (NBTI)	Pamela Shaw
Northwestern Institute for Comparative Effectiveness Research (NICER)	Mark Berendsen
Skin Disease Research Center	Pamela Shaw
Stanley Manne Children's Research Institute	Jonna Peterson & Corinne Miller
Women's Health Research Institute	Corinne Miller

Programs

Programs	Liaison
MD Program	Jonna Peterson
Biomedical Engineering Program	Eileen Wafford
Clinical Psychology PhD Program	Linda O'Dwyer
Health Sciences Integrated PhD Program	Linda O'Dwyer
HIV/AIDS Program	Linda O'Dwyer
Honors Program in Medical Education (HPME)	Jonna Peterson
Graduate Program in Life Sciences (DGP)	Pamela Shaw
Interdepartmental Biological Sciences Graduate Program (IBiS)	Pamela Shaw
Master of Public Health (MPH)	Pamela Shaw
Master of Science in Clinical Investigation (MSCI)	Pamela Shaw
Master of Genetic Counseling	Pamela Shaw
Master of Science in Epidemiology and Biostatistics (MSEB)	Pamela Shaw
Master of Science in Health Informatics	Corinne Miller
Master of Science in Health Services Outcomes and Research	Linda O'Dwyer
Master of Science in Healthcare Quality and Patient Safety	Linda O'Dwyer
Master of Science in Prosthetics and Orthotics (MPO)	Eileen Wafford
Master of Science in Regulatory Compliance	Linda O'Dwyer
Medical Scientist Training Program (MSTP)	Pamela Shaw
Northwestern University Interdepartmental Neuroscience (NUIN)	Pamela Shaw
Physical Therapy (DPT)	Eileen Wafford
Physician Assistant	Eileen Wafford

About the Liaison Librarian Service

What are Liaison Librarians?

Liaison librarians have been designated as the primary contacts between the Galter Health Sciences Library and a department or center of the Medical School. The intention is to provide faculty, students, and staff with the name of at least one person they can call upon as a starting point for assistance with or information about any library service or issue. The liaison librarian will foster communication between the library and the Medical School's programs, and understands the information needs of his or her department.

Liaison Librarians are:

- Well-informed about the library's collections, services, policies, and resources, and skilled in interpreting and promoting these to faculty and students in their departments
- Knowledgeable of the subject matter and nature of the teaching and research conducted by the department
- Adept at working together with teaching faculty to ensure that relevant information access skills and tools are incorporated into academic programs

Your liaison librarian will:

- Actively foster communication with the assigned department or center
- Provide education services to inform and teach users in the departments how to use the library's resources and find information
- Promote library services and resources to the departments and centers
- Inform library users how to access library resources and services
- Be a contact for collection development and requests for resources or services
- Participate in professional development activities to enhance skills and knowledge to support assigned departments

What your liaison librarian can do for your department

Communication

- Produce information guides on new services, collections, and research tools
- Prepare or update subject research Web guides
- Schedule regular on site visits, e.g. office or computer lab hours
- Write a feature or column for your departmental newsletter
- Send information packets to new faculty
- Meet with the Department Head, faculty and staff members to learn about current plans for your department or center and gather feedback on the library services
- Attend departmental meetings or other relevant gatherings
- Serve on a departmental committee
- Assist with departmental or center program, re-accreditation or grant applications

Orientations, Instructional Sessions and Demonstrations

- Schedule individual orientation meetings with new faculty
- Schedule library orientation sessions for new residents
- Create, review and revise orientation or instruction programs
- Demonstrate relevant library resources and services
- Attend departmental events
- Survey and document your faculty research interests

Collection Development

- Create or update collection development profile for library materials
- Perform a library collection review
- Get feedback on serial and book use and elicit suggestions for purchase
- Assist in evaluating and selecting materials for existing or future collections

Liaison Activities for the Curriculum

- Work with you to insure information literacy is fully incorporated into the your curriculum
- Establish a teaching partnership with a member of your department
- Teach a course or a course component in your department or program
- Establish a research partnership with a member of your department or program
- Develop or help develop a program that promotes active student centered learning

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