

Software on Library Computers

Specialized Informatics Software on Dedicated Research Computers

Galter Library has a number of dedicated research computers (4 Windows PCs and 2 Macs, numbered RES 901-906) equipped with software packages dedicated to handling statistical and bioinformatics workflows. The computers are distributed across the first floor. The packages include:

- SPSS
- SAS
- Stata
- Vector NTI
- GraphPad Prism

In addition, these computers have standard productivity software (Microsoft Office suite and the Adobe Creative Cloud).

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The following is a list of the software available for use on the library's public computers. The software is on all computers unless otherwise stated.

PC / Windows

- Acrobat Creative Suite
 - Photoshop
 - Acrobat Professional
 - Distiller
- ArcMap/ArcGIS
- EndNote
- Microsoft Office
 - Access
 - Excel
 - PowerPoint
 - Word
 - OneNote
 - Sharepoint
- Python (Anaconda Navigator with jupyterlab, jupyter notebook, qtconsole, and spyder)

Macintosh

- Acrobat Creative Suite
 - Photoshop
 - Acrobat Professional
- EndNote
- Microsoft Office
 - Excel
 - PowerPoint
 - Word
- R and RStudio

- R and RStudio
- SAS (labeled PCs)
- SPSS (labeled PCs)
- STATA (labeled PCs)

PC/Windows

Macintosh

Galter License to MetaCore

Galter Library has a license to the pathway analysis software GeneGo MetaCore. This software is entirely web-based with a graphical user interface and extensive user help guides and tutorials.

To use MetaCore, you must register at the Galter Library website's [MetaCore registration page](#). Please read the [MetaCore guide and Terms of Use](#) carefully before registering. You must use your Northwestern, NMH, or Lurie Children's email address to register.

After registration, you can use MetaCore from any computer with an internet connection. **You don't have to come to the library to use MetaCore.**

Software Support

The library provides access to a number of statistical software packages (SAS, Stata, SPSS, R) and productivity software (Excel, Word, PowerPoint) on the public computers at Galter. Here are your options for assistance and training with these products:

- Online tutorials: check the individual software website for guides and video tutorials or search [YouTube](#).
- lynda.com: on demand access to a full range of online courses, currently being piloted by NU. Includes tutorials on all the major software packages. [Learn more](#).
- [Biostatistical Collaboration Center](#): offers fee-based support and collaboration on statistical projects.
- Take a class through NU Human Resources or get one-on-one support (faculty/staff only). These services are fee-based. [Learn more](#).

You can also check out Northwestern University Libraries' online books and manuals for the various softwares:

- [SPSS](#) | [Stata](#) | [SAS](#) | [R](#)

Discounted or Free Software for NU Affiliates

Some of the software listed here is offered for academic and/or personal use at significant or total discount to Northwestern [faculty and staff](#) or [students](#). An active NetID is required to download any software. See the [NUIIT Software site](#) for details and instructions.

Appropriate Use of Galter Library Computer Workstations

The Galter Health Sciences Library provides computer workstations to facilitate access to collections, information, and services in support of the teaching, learning and research missions of Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine; they are intended for non-commercial use or educational purposes only. Faculty, staff, students and residents currently affiliated with Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine have priority for workstation use.

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