Library locations are open to students, staff, and faculty (including emeriti) who are authorized to be on campus. Individuals authorized to be on campus may use special collections materials with advance reservation. University requirements for masking, physical distancing, and reduced occupancy have been eliminated for vaccinated individuals.

With the relaxation of COVID restrictions, the library has ended contactless pickup in the Sterling nave and at Cushing/Whitney Medical Library. Library users with campus access may request materials for pickup at all the library hold shelves listed in Orbis, including the Sterling Library hold shelf, on the ground floor of the Sterling stack tower.

For summer access to campus buildings, including libraries and contactless pickup, students (including student employees) must have their learning location designated as "in residence" by the university. Students may check their current learning location or request a change using this university form: https://forms.sis.yale.edu/url/LearningLocation [1]. (The form requires a CAS login.) Student who are not in residence should request library materials by mail, and for pickup.

In compliance with Yale’s current Campus Visitor Policy [2], we are still unable to extend access to other patron groups, including retired staff and faculty without emeritus status, alumni, family members, other Yale affiliates, and the general public. We regret any inconvenience, and we look forward to welcoming our extended community when public health conditions improve. Please contact Ask Yale Library [3] if you have questions about your status to access the library.

Check library hours [4] before coming to campus. Library staff continue to provide research consultations, workshops, library instruction, and access to electronic resources online. Current students, faculty, and staff may request to have library materials, including BorrowDirect and interlibrary loan materials, scanned or mailed to U.S. addresses. To request this service, use the “Send to home address” links in Orbis and Quicksearch.

See our COVID-19 FAQ [5] for more about online and remote services.