

Mission

The mission of the Information Commons program is to support the academic achievement of Butler University students by supporting the development of information and technology literacy skills through the use of technology. We provide research assistance and academic technology training and support. The Information Commons comprises the Reference area in Irwin Library, the Center for Academic Technology in Jordan Hall, and is connected through the online environment of information technology and knowledge media. For more information see <http://www.butler.edu/center-academic-technology/center-for-academic-technology/information-commons>

Program Description

The professional development of the students in Information Commons is a guiding principle of the program. We focus on giving the students real world experience while providing a valuable service to the Butler community. Students in the program have staff mentors who guide them through the process of training, development and reflection. Leadership opportunities are also available for qualified students.

Students in the program provide support for Butler University students in the discovery and creation of information, especially focusing on research assistance and academic technology assistance and training through scheduled desk hours, appointments for individual consulting, and scheduled training sessions. They also support faculty in the integration of technology in teaching.

To discuss ways that Information Commons can support student learning in your classes, please contact Julianne M. Miranda, Sr. Director of the Center for Academic Technology, at jmiranda@butler.edu or 317-940-4663.

Information Commons

Irwin Library reference desk and the
Center for Academic Technology
(JH037)
Phone: 317-940-9235
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Information Commons

Irwin Library and Center for Academic Technology

*Research and Academic Technology Support
for Butler University students*

Students Helping Students

How We Help Your Students

Information Commons Assistants and Associates are available to help Butler University students during scheduled hours at the Irwin Library Information Commons desk and in the Center for Academic Technology, or by appointment for individual consulting.

Library focused services

Library focused services include:

- Basic research skills
- Finding books in the catalog and in the library
- Choosing a database to search for articles; locating articles
- Technology fundamentals – printing, basic troubleshooting, etc.

Academic Technology focused services

Academic Technology focused services include many of the Library focused services and also:

- ePortfolio (Chalk & Wire)
- Blackboard
- Panopto (classroom video capture) support
- Digital video and audio support including
 - iMovie & Windows Movie Maker
 - Photoshop
 - Audacity
 - Digital video and audio hardware (portable devices)
- MS Office 2007 for PC and MS Office 2008 for Mac
- Windows 7
- Classroom mediation, including Smartboards and Symposiums

Student Training Services

Information Commons Assistants and Associates provide peer-to-peer training sessions on various academic technology applications.

Open Training Sessions

Open training sessions are offered in the evenings on a first come, first serve basis. A schedule of open training sessions for students can be found on our web site at <http://www.butler.edu/it/cat>.

Classroom Training Sessions

Instructors can also arrange for an Information Commons Assistant or Associate to lead a session during a scheduled class period to ensure students have the technology skills they need to complete class assignments. To schedule an Information Commons Assistant or Associate to lead a training session during your class time, please contact Kenetha J. Stanton at kjstant1@butler.edu or at 317-940-8533.

Contacting Information Commons

Students can reach the Information Commons during our scheduled hours in person at the Information Commons desk or by phone, email, instant message, text message, or Twitter.

Scheduled Hours

Irwin Library

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| Monday - Thursday | 12:00 – 10:00 pm |
| Friday | 12:00 – 4:00 pm |
| Saturday | Unstaffed |
| Sunday | 5:00 – 10:00 pm |

Center for Academic Technology (JH037)

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| Monday - Friday | 9:00 am – 4:30 pm |
| Saturday - Sunday | Unstaffed |

Contact Information

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AIM: BUInfoCommons

Yahoo: BUInfoCommons

Web chat: <http://www.butler.edu/library/ask>

Text message (SMS): (317) 758-3551

Twitter: Just "tweet" (update your Twitter status) beginning with [@buinfocommons](https://twitter.com/buinfocommons)

