

# Bortz Library

## Hampden-Sydney College

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*5th Best College Library according to 2020 Princeton Review*

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## OFF-CAMPUS RESOURCES OVERVIEW

Bortz Library is eager to continue to support you and your students as your classes move online next week.

- HOURS
  - Bortz Library is currently open Monday through Friday from 8:30am to 5pm.
- ONLINE RESOURCES
  - When accessing resources from off-campus, you will be redirected to a login after clicking on one of the links.
  - Enter the username (without the @hsc.edu) and password that you use for your campus email.
- FILMS & VIDEOS
  - [Films On Demand Master Academic Collection](#) has approximately 31,000 films covering much of the disciplines.
    - Access through the library's [A-Z List of Online Resources](#) or directly at [H-SC Films On Demand](#).
  - [American History in Video](#) includes 2,000 total hours of streaming video content.
    - More than half is contemporaneous video from the 1890s to the 1980s.
- DATABASES, EBOOKS, AND EJOURNALS
  - Over 300,000 electronic resources available.
  - Search the Library Catalog for ebooks.
  - Search Databases and Journals for all of the Library's online holdings including journals, ebooks, and videos.
  - See page 3 of this newsletter for more details.
- RENEW MATERIALS
  - Library materials currently checked out may be renewed by contacting 434-223-7227 or [reference@hsc.edu](mailto:reference@hsc.edu).
- RETURN MATERIALS
  - Want to return library materials when the building is closed, or if you prefer not to come in? Don't forget Bortz Library has an outside book drop on the front porch.

Interlibrary Loan Alert: Per VIVA (Virtual Library of Virginia) consortium guidelines, all Virginia libraries have been asked to immediately cease shipments of all physical materials between libraries.

## CANVAS

Canvas by Instructure is Hampden-Sydney College's adopted Learning Management System (LMS). Canvas LMS has created a contingency page focused on providing resources for off-campus learning. Even if you haven't used Canvas regularly, it can help you simply by providing a secure, easily-accessible place for your students to access materials and communicate with each other.

The Featured Resources page has links to training videos, upcoming training events, shared contact, and other resources to quickly help professors and students.

<https://community.canvaslms.com/groups/admins/pages/contingency>

This page is updated often so check back for resources you may need.



“In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, many schools, colleges, and universities are helping teachers and students rapidly prepare to continue teaching remotely. This series on teaching continuity plans synthesized key elements from the many resources and recommendations shared through the Canvas LMS community.”

On March 17, 2020, Canvas published a Blog, [Adapting to Online in a Pinch – Part 2 \(essentials of teaching continuity during a campus closure\)](#). It contains suggestions and tips to shift to online courses. The blog contains lots of information and links to resources so definitely worth the time to read.

The library staff is available to assist with scanning and creating pdf documents.

Contact [Mike Timma](#) 434-223-6292

Librarians are still available for research assistance by phone or email.

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[Maryska Connolly-Brown](#) 434-223-6267 or  
[reference@hsc.edu](mailto:reference@hsc.edu)



## OFF-CAMPUS ACCESS TO YOUR LIBRARY

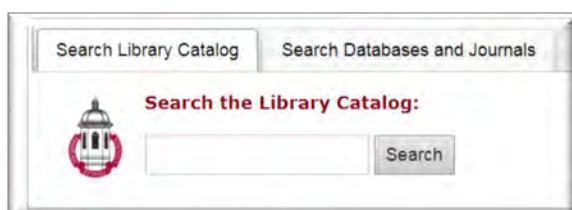
Although the book stacks may be out of reach, many Bortz Library resources can be accessed from the comfort of your own home. When conducting research or preparing curriculum off-campus, be sure to start at the Library [homepage](#) so that the databases, ebooks, and ejournals will recognize you as being a member of the HSC community. Most will prompt you to log in with your HSC username (without the @hsc.edu) and password.

Start with the Quick Links menu on the left-hand side of the homepage:

- [A-Z List of Databases](#) – use this if you need a database or resources related to a particular subject or discipline
- [Electronic Journal Finder](#) – use this if you are in need of articles from a specific publication or journal

What if you don't know where to start? From the central search menu you can conduct broader searches. Be sure to utilize keywords (when you search) and limiters (to limit results) to more effectively sort through these larger bodies of information. Limiting by subject can be particularly helpful.

- **Search the Library Catalog** – many ebooks can be found here and, if you are logged into your library account, you can request holds on many physical materials for easy pickup at the circulation desk
- **Search Databases and Journals** – this will search all of the Library's online holdings including journals, ebooks, and videos



Subject guides – found under [Subject Guides](#) in the Quick Links and under the [Research Help](#) tab at the top of the Library homepage – can be helpful as research primers and often contain links to academic sources outside of our institution.

Professors, if you are linking to any online articles or resources, be sure to look for permalinks or stable link or download the PDF version when possible to minimize the possibility of broken links or frustration when students are attempting to access the materials from home.



If you find any broken links or have technical difficulty with online library resources, use the [Report a Problem form](#) on the main library website.

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