



COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES

WORKSHOPS at the LIBRARIES

Columbia University Libraries and its affiliates offer hundreds of free workshops and training programs annually, serving library users from first-year undergraduates to faculty who want to sharpen their research skills in subjects like data, digital publishing, archives, and special collections.

FALL 2026

Library Essentials

We offer ongoing, regularly occurring workshops on the basics of how to use your libraries. These sessions are open to anyone at Columbia and are typically appropriate for any level. (No prior library or research knowledge necessary!)

Introduction to Library Resources

Feel at home in the Libraries through workshops that are tailored to various areas of study.

African Studies

Friday, October 2 | 11:00 a.m.

African Diaspora Studies

Friday, October 16 | 11:00 a.m.

Business and Entrepreneurship

Wednesday, September 2 | Noon

Thursday, September 10 | Noon

Science and Engineering

Friday, August 28 | Noon

Monday, September 14 | 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 1 | 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, September 29 | 1:00 p.m.

Friday, September 4 | 11:00 a.m.

South/Southeast Asian Studies

Wednesday, October 7 | 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 15 | 10:00 a.m.

Social Sciences

Wednesday, September 9 | 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 10 | 3:00 p.m.

Monday, September 21 | 4:00 p.m.

Undergraduate Research

Wednesday, September 9 | Noon (*Physical/in-person resources*)

Thursday, September 10 | 4:00 p.m. (*Physical/in-person resources*)

Monday, September 14 | Noon (*Digital resources*)

Let's Use CLIO

Tuesday, September 1 | Noon

Monday, September 14 | 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 14 | 1:00 p.m.

Database Demo: See How Research Databases Work

Friday, October 9 | 10:00 a.m.

Thursday, December 3 | 11:00 a.m.



View all workshops and register for events:
library.columbia.edu/go/workshops

Introduction to Zotero

Make use of Zotero, a free resource that allows users to collect, organize, cite, and share research.

Wednesday, August 12 2:00 p.m.	Tuesday, October 6 12:30 p.m.
Tuesday, September 8 11:00 a.m.	Thursday, October 15 11:00 a.m.
Friday, September 11 10:00 a.m.	Thursday, November 19 2:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 15 3:00 p.m.	Wednesday, December 2 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, September 23 2:00 p.m.	

Intermediate Zotero: Zotero Library Management

Attendees are encouraged to first attend an Introduction to Zotero workshop as a preface to this session.

Wednesday, October 7 2:00 p.m.	Thursday, November 12 2:00 p.m.
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Crash Course in Business Research

Thursday, November 19 | 11:00 a.m.

Company and Industry Research for Business and Entrepreneurship

Tuesday, September 22 | Noon

Film Collections: DVDs and Streaming Video

Tuesday, September 22 | 10:00 a.m.

First-Generation, Low-Income (FLI) Syllabus Drop-In

Thursday, September 10 | 5:00 p.m.

Friday, September 11 | Noon

Fundamentals of Copyright

Monday, September 21 | 3:00 p.m.

Copyright and Generative AI

Attendees are encouraged to first attend the Fundamentals of Copyright workshop as a preface to this session.

Wednesday, September 30 | 2:00 p.m.

Introduction to the Bloomberg Terminal

Monday, August 31 10:00 a.m.	Wednesday, September 23 Noon
Friday, September 4 10:00 a.m.	Thursday, October 1 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, September 8 10:00 a.m.	Tuesday, October 6 10:00 a.m.
Thursday, September 10 2:00 p.m.	Thursday, October 15 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, September 15 11:00 a.m.	Monday, October 19 10:00 a.m.
Friday, September 18 2:00 p.m.	Thursday, October 29 10:00 a.m.

How to Get Your News

Thursday, September 17 Noon	Monday, October 19 1:00 p.m.
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Introduction to International News Sources

Friday, October 9 | 11:00 a.m.

Market and Consumer Research for Business and Entrepreneurship

Thursday, October 22 | Noon

Archives and Special Collections

Columbia University Libraries is home to thousands of rare and unique archives, rare books, and manuscripts. Sessions on how to find and use special collections are offered by curators, historians, and digital scholarship specialists in a variety of disciplines.

Basics of Archival Research

Friday, September 25 | 2:00 p.m.

Friday, October 16 | 2:00 p.m.

Friday, November 6 | 2:00 p.m.

Introduction to Archives: Rare Book & Manuscript Library

Part I: Friday, October 9 | 2:30 p.m.

Part II: Friday, October 30 | 2:30 p.m.

Introduction to East Asian Archives

Friday, September 18 | 11:00 a.m.

Thursday, October 15 | 3:00 p.m.

Teachers College: Your Research Journey*

A five-part, rotating workshop series that will provide manageable tools and resources to guide your research process. While the workshops are designed to build upon one another, you are welcome to attend any workshop individually. Held weekly on Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m., sessions cycle through the following topics:

Charting Your Path

Beginning Wednesday, September 16 | 3:00 p.m.

Searching Strategies

Beginning Wednesday, September 23 | 3:00 p.m.

Managing Your Citations with Zotero

Beginning Wednesday, September 30 | 3:00 p.m.

The Literature Review

Beginning Wednesday, October 7 | 3:00 p.m.

Reading the Contemporary Information Landscape: Principles of Source Evaluation

Beginning Wednesday, October 14 | 3:00 p.m.



***Hosted by Teachers College, but open to all Columbia affiliates. To register, please visit: library.tc.columbia.edu/events**

Data and Open Scholarship

We build critical data literacies and support open scholarship practices for library users at all levels. Our workshops cover topics in scholarly publishing and communication, open access, open infrastructure, copyright education, computational research methods, coding for researchers, and more.

Computational Thinking 101

Friday, September 11 | Noon

Data Club

Data Club, provided by Research Data Services, offers a series of strategic lessons and a supportive meeting space for the Columbia community of all levels to learn, share, and implement the philosophies, tools, and methodologies for a data-driven project of their choosing.

Python AI with Hugging Face

Wednesday, September 23 | 4:10 p.m.

Working with Repetitive Data Tasks in R

Thursday, September 24 | 4:10 p.m.

Introduction to GIS in QGIS

Wednesday, September 30 | 4:10 p.m.

Working with IPUMS Data in R

Thursday, October 1 | 4:10 p.m.

Gitertation (Project Management with Git and GitHub)

Wednesday, October 7 | 4:10 p.m.

Introduction to Open Source Geospatial Data Management with GeoPackages

Thursday, October 8 | 4:10 p.m.

Get to Know Your Computer

Thursday, September 10 | 3:00 p.m.

Introduction to git and Version Control for Researchers

Wednesday, September 23 | 5:00 p.m.

Learn How to Learn to Code: Python

Friday, September 18 | 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 29 | 4:30 p.m.

Looking Inside Databases with SQL

Friday, September 25 | 1:00 p.m.

Machine Learning for Everyone

Thursday, September 17 | 3:00 p.m.

Manage Archival Research Photographs with Tropy

Monday, September 21 | 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 13 | 11:00 a.m.

R 101 for Social Scientists

Wednesday, September 16 | 4:30 p.m.

Friday, October 2 | 12:30 p.m.

Friday, November 6 | 12:30 p.m.

R Refreshers

Part 1: Exploring Files and Dataframes with the Tidyverse

Wednesday, October 14 | 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 20 | 4:30 p.m.

Part 2: Automate Reports and Visualizations with Quarto

Friday, October 23 | 1:00 p.m.

Publishing

We offer workshops on various aspects of digital publishing and scholarly communication, centering on support for partners in our podcasting and journal publishing programs, but open to anyone at Columbia interested in learning more about the mechanics and best practices of scholarly publishing in various media.

Introduction to Scholarly Publishing

Wednesday, September 16 | 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 11 | 2:00 p.m.

Navigating the Funding Process as a Federally Funded Author

Thursday, September 24 | 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 22 | 2:00 p.m.

How to Publish Open Access without Article Processing Charges (APCs)

Monday, August 31 | 1:00 p.m.

Monday, October 26 | 2:00 p.m.



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