



RIT Libraries: (Re)Imagine the Research Library

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The Challenge





RIT Libraries

Values

- **Access**
- **Collaboration**
- **Engagement**
- **Diversity**
- **Care**
- **Sustainability**

** Values articulated as part of an initial Strategic Planning session with Library Leadership Team. Still a work-in-progress.*

Access

- Collection Development
 - Digital Collections
 - Unique Areas of Distinction
 - Support for New and Growing Programs
 - Faculty Research, Recruitment, and Retention
- Transformational Agreements
- Open Educational Resources

Collaboration & Engagement

- Services and Programming
 - Data Management Framework
 - AI, Data, and Digital Literacies
 - Graduate Student Support
- Consortial Agreements
- Experiential Learning Opportunities
- Greater Presence on Campus

Care & Sustainability

- Staff Development
- Cross-Functional Teams
- Aligned and Focused Areas of Growth
- Data Driven Decision Making
- Sunsetting of Services, Platforms, Collections

A Library Where...

- **All feel welcomed, valued, and engaged**
- **We foster creativity and agility to meet emerging needs**
- **Diverse experiences, expertise, and ideas are represented, nurtured, and celebrated**
- **We collaborate to solve problems, create, and innovate**

A Research Library for RIT

Rochester
Institute of
Technology

At RIT, *we shape the future* and *improve the world* through **CREATIVITY** and **INNOVATION**.

As an engaged, intellectually curious, and socially conscious community, we *leverage the power* of **TECHNOLOGY**, **THE ARTS**, and **DESIGN** for the *greater good*.