Interlibrary Loan (Getting Items From Other Libraries)

WUSTL does not purchase every book that is published. Nor, does it subscribe to every journal that is published. Therefore, there may be times when you need an item that WUSTL does not own.

**Interlibrary Loan** is a system that provides non-WUSTL materials to the WUSTL community. There are two interlibrary loan systems available to the WUSTL community. **Mobius** provides books and audiovisuals. **Iliad** provides books and audiovisuals that Mobius cannot provide, articles, and all other material types.

**MOBIUS**

If WUSTL does not have the book or audiovisual available for you to check out and take home, then try the Mobius system. After requesting the item from Mobius, it should arrive at your designated pick-up location in about 4 business days. The pick-up location will send an email to you when the item arrives. Return Mobius items to any Danforth/West Campus library.

If the item is available in the MOBIUS system, and you don't want to wait for the item to arrive, you can visit the Mobius library and check out the item. Make sure to bring your Washington University ID. Several MOBIUS libraries are in the St. Louis area and are located on public transportation routes.

*Use Mobius when:*
- item is on course reserve, item is missing, item is already checked out,
- item is restricted to in-library use only, WUSTL does not own the item.

- WUSTL covers the costs of each request; so it is free to you.
- MyCatalog tracks the request; you do not need to rely on email notification. [https://spokane.wustl.edu/patroninfo/](https://spokane.wustl.edu/patroninfo/)
- MyCatalog provides the due date after you check out the Mobius item.
- MyCatalog provides the renewal process for books.
- Books check out for 4 weeks and may be renewed twice if no one placed a Hold.
- Audiovisuals check out for 10 days, but cannot be renewed.
- **Please RETURN THE GREEN BAND with the item.**

**Mobius Basics:**
- **Who:** currently enrolled WUSTL students/faculty/staff.
- **What:** books and audiovisuals.
- **Where:** pick-up/return at any Danforth/West Campus library.
- **When:** about 4 business days to arrive.
- **Why:** free way to receive items when WUSTL's copy is unavailable for check-out.
- **How:** MyCatalog tracks requests, provides due dates, processes renewals.
ILLIAD

If neither WUSTL nor Mobius can provide your item, then use the Illiad system. Most articles are delivered electronically within 2 business days. Most other materials arrive in 2-3 weeks. Illiad will send an email to you when the item arrives.

Please keep the lavender slip and return it with your item. When you return the item, we need the lavender slip in order to check-in the item and remove it from your library account. Return Illiad items to the Brown School library or to your pick-up location. Articles do not need to be returned.

- WUSTL covers the costs of each request; so it is free to you.
- Illiad tracks the request; you do not need to rely on email notification. http://illiad.wustl.edu/illiad/logon.html
- Illiad provides the due date after you check out the item.
- Illiad provides the renewal process for items.
- Most items check out for 2 weeks and may be renewed once if no one placed a Hold.

Examples of Mobius and Illiad Items

   - Is WUSTL's copy available to check out and take home?
   - Does Mobius have an available copy?
   - Is there a Mobius library in St. Louis with a copy?
   - Does Illiad have a copy?

   - Does WUSTL have this article?
   - Can you request the article from Mobius?
   - Can you request the article from Illiad?

3. The Wolf of Wall Street / directed by Martin Scorsese.
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