

Library Services

The [Charles P. Puksta Library](#) supports the curricular and research needs of River Valley Community College by providing information resources, student-centered library services, and instruction. The library houses an instructional classroom, group and individual study rooms, a parents' room, treadmill desks, computers, color printing, copying and scanning, and WiFi.

In addition to serving students, staff, and faculty at the main location in Claremont, the library extends services with rotating collections to the College's academic centers in Keene and Lebanon, New Hampshire. Students who attend courses at any campus location are entitled to full access to library resources and services. Local community members are welcome to use the library and borrow physical materials, but electronic resources and [Interlibrary Loan](#) services are unavailable for non-members of the College.

The library collection is built to support the specific programs at RVCC as well as to provide recreational reading and enrichment opportunities for the community. Puksta Library collects several different formats: newspapers, books, DVDs, picture books, graphic novels, study guides, flashcards, and anatomical models are included in the physical collection. Digital materials include [eBooks](#), open educational resources, [electronic databases](#) from the EBSCO and ProQuest suites of products, video streaming from the [Films on Demand](#) collection, and [PrepStep](#), which is an online platform that helps students prepare for occupational exams or the ATI TEAS. Additionally, the library has a small Library of Things that includes activity kits, yard games, puzzles and board games, as well as a few instruments.

At faculty's request, library instruction is available for classes and small groups to assist with accessing library resources and to ensure students are conducting effective research. For students, drop-in research and resource discovery assistance is available during regular hours of operation. The library circulation desk is staffed Monday – Friday, from 8 AM to 4 PM. Please direct questions about library resources, services, or support to library staff at RVCCLibrary@ccsnh.edu, or call the library at 603-542-7744, ext. 5465.