

UNC Institute on Aging Information Center

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*Enhancing
access to aging
information in
North Carolina*

The UNC Institute on Aging Information Center is a central source of aging-related information in North Carolina.

The Information Center's resources are available to researchers, health professionals, government officials, and others across the state. Access to the resources is available online or at the library, located in the UNC Institute on Aging's offices in Chapel Hill NC.

This introductory guide provides an overview of the Information Center's resources and services. Please contact the Information Center staff for further information or assistance.



Focus on Aging

Our priority areas include North Carolina aging, diversity, healthy aging, older workers, rural aging, and long term care issues.

Our collections focus on those issues and other aspects of aging, including:

- caregiving
- death and dying
- demographics
- education
- family relationships
- gender issues
- geriatrics
- gerontology
- health
- income
- minority groups
- retirement
- social issues
- work issues
- and more.

Collections

The IOA Information Center includes many different kinds of aging-related materials including:

Books & Monographs

We have over 1100 books, most in print and some in electronic form.

Journals & Serials

We have approximately 70 serial titles, some complete & current runs, and some partial runs.

Reports & Documents

Our report collection includes over 2000 government reports, committee publications, annual reports, demographic analyses, and more in both print and electronic form.

Web Sites/Electronic Resources

We link to over 450 carefully selected aging-related web sites.

Audiovisuals

We have a small number of audiovisual materials.

Theses & Dissertations

We collect theses and dissertations on aging-related subjects completed by students from North Carolina institutions of higher education.

Digital Library Access

All of our collections are searchable via the AgeLib Digital Library, our web-based database of aging resources. AgeLib is a combination of library catalog and digital library. AgeLib links you directly to electronic resources and allows you to search our entire in-house collection.

Most of the electronic resources in our collection are available via the internet, so they can be accessed from remote locations at any time. Our print resources are available in the Information Center library, located within the Institute on Aging. Access to the library is during regular business hours; appointments are suggested.

Quick Guide to Services

USING THE LIBRARY

The library is open during regular business hours (M-F, 8am-5pm). All are welcome to use the collection in-house, although only IOA-affiliated users may borrow materials. We recommend that external users make an appointment to use the collection.

DIGITAL LIBRARY OF AGING RESOURCES

Our AgeLib Digital Library is available via our website and is a one-stop search for all of our collections including print, electronic, and internet resources.

REFERENCE ASSISTANCE & INSTRUCTION

The staff of the Information Center is available to assist with aging-related reference questions and instruction in the use of library resources and tools. Our web site also has helpful reference information including a locator tool for aging journals, guides to aging research, and more. Reach us by email (aginginfo@unc.edu), by phone (919-966-9444), or on the internet (see below).

BORROWING

Some materials in the Information Center may be borrowed; journals do not circulate. Borrowing privileges are extended to persons affiliated with the Institute. Look for signs in the library about how to borrow materials. Ask a staff member if you have questions.

PHOTOCOPYING

A photocopier is available for in-house use. There is no charge for small amounts of copying.

ARTICLE SERVICES & DOCUMENT DELIVERY

Information Center staff can help locate journal articles. IOA staff may use our document delivery service for journal articles available at the other campus libraries. This service is for aging-related projects, and turn around time is typically 2-3 business days.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN (ILL)

The Information Center does not provide ILL services (this includes borrowing books from other UNC libraries).



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