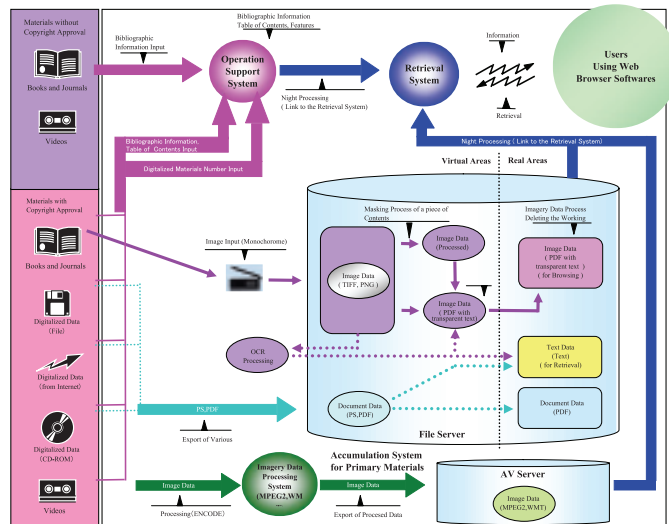




# University Library (Digital Library)



To provide quick access to the academic information necessary for advanced education and research, NAIST has a comprehensive digital library in which users can search for resources stored in digitized form through a network. This is in addition to the conventional library system where information is available in printed form, such as books and journals.



## Main Services of the Digital Library

- **Online catalog** Materials owned by NAIST can be searched. Full text can be searched for electronic information.
- **Digital materials / information** Materials are digitized at NAIST. Full texts of books and journals and video materials are accessible online.
- **Access to external services** Electronic books, electronic journals and databases are available from publishers and other organizations.
- **Materials unavailable at NAIST can be requested as copies or borrowed from external institutions.**
- **Notification of new arrivals** Registration of keywords in your fields of interest enables automated notification via e-mail of selected materials containing the keywords from among new arrivals in the Library.
- **Others** Services include enquiries for new-arrival magazines, checking the status of registered magazines, user usage query and new materials requests.

## Characteristics

- **Electronic archiving of internal publications (such as dissertations)** The Library collects and systematically archives the Institute's publications, including technical reports, reports of scientific research funding and theses, as well as the texts of lectures and classes.
- **Archiving course units** A trial has been underway since 2005 in an effort to store the content of graduate school courses in a database and make the database internally available.
- **Function as a media center** We accumulate academic information by digitization from printed books and journals, videos, CD-ROMs, DVDs and through the network, processed in a convenient form for use, and provide it to users.
- **24-hour library** Access for retrieval is available 24 hours a day at research offices and dormitories, etc., throughout the network.
- **High-level information retrieval** We have realized retrieval through information in tables of contents, abstracts and keywords in the text, in addition to the former system of retrieval by means of a small number of keywords.
- **Real-time service** Through our vast network, we can obtain, provide and accumulate digitized academic information instantly.
- **Concurrent viewing** Digitized library materials can be viewed concurrently by multiple users.

## Improvements over conventional library functions

- **Navigation corner** Six client workstations are available for searches. You can access our Library homepage (<http://library.naist.jp/>) for available hours and guidance for use. You can also check materials owned by NAIST.
- **Reading space** Books and journals are arranged and stored for free reading.
- **Browsing corner** Newspapers and weekly magazines are arranged and stored.
- **Study corner** Study desks equipped with outlets and information sockets are available. Internet use is allowed for internal faculty, students and staff only.
- **Video materials** The library contains DVDs of foreign movies and their transcripts to help students learn languages.