

### Statement for 3.5

UH Hilo faculty and students have access to information and technology resources in both physical and electronic formats. The Mookini library holds about 50,000 physical books and just over 200,000 ebooks. In addition, the library offers about 100 subscription [databases](#) covering a broad scope of scholarly and nonscholarly sources and materials. All electronic resources are available onsite during business hours and 24/7 offsite. The physical and electronic collection is balanced between traditional comprehensive databases and specialized resources focused on specific course offerings and disciplines offered at UH Hilo. The library has a fulltime employee performing Interlibrary loan requests for both physical and digital research requests and 7 faculty librarians providing research instruction and assistance.

The library also offers a wide variety of [information technology](#) including but not limited to: a podcast studio, DSLR cameras, laptops, specialized labs, and specialized course specific [software](#) including but not limited to Adobe Creative Suite, R Studio, AgiSoft, AcrGIS, and CAD. Additional specialized labs across campus support and duplicate the resources centralized in the library for both graduate and undergraduate students.

To better support pedagogical and research outcomes, two distance learning support staff were reorganized under the University Librarian and officed in the library to streamline and focus efforts to support and train faculty and students in the usage of information technology. A [Distance Learning support team](#) composed of faculty and various support staff across the university (including the distance learning support staff) provides planning and support for media development, online course development, best practices, and general tech troubleshooting support. The team provides regular support and training sessions as well as individual support sessions for faculty. The team meets weekly and is actively developing synchronous and asynchronous trainings and tools. Student support and training is provided by library staff and other IT staff across campus. Resources like the MEGA lab and podcast studio have been developed in response to specific graduate programs, but are available to all programs, disciplines, and students where applicable.

UH Hilo offers a broad variety of cutting edge information technology and resources with a significant number of support staff in various positions across the university to support faculty and students in the usage and application of these resources. The university strategically targets these resources to program goals and student learning outcomes in order to educate and produce graduates and scholars who are productive members of our constantly evolving information ecosystem.

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