

# The Michael Alex Mossey Library

THE MICHAEL ALEX MOSSEY LIBRARY provides a variety of collections and services to support the learning, teaching, and research activities of Hillsdale College students, faculty, and staff in an inviting setting. The main section of the library building opened in 1971, and the Leighton/Taylor Wing in 1994. The 43,000-square-foot library houses a collection of approximately 300,000 items, most of which are available for circulation, and numerous special collections, including the College's archives.

The library's Ludwig von Mises Room houses the Ludwig von Mises Collection, and the Richardson Heritage Room provides elegant display space for items from the Carus Coin Collection and for additional rare volumes. Computers, wi-fi, printing, and group and individual study spaces for approximately 400 students are available. The library provides access to an extensive collection of electronic books, journals, musical scores, and recordings, and maintains subscriptions to essential scholarly research databases.

Access to collections at other libraries is provided to all faculty, staff, and students via interlibrary loan, and the College is an active participant in the Michigan eLibrary Catalog (MeLCat) state-wide resource sharing program. Hillsdale College faculty, staff, and students have remote access to all of the library's electronic holdings via the OpenAthens authentication system. Assistance in using the collections and services is readily available in the library and online from six professional librarians, five library technicians, and more than 30 student assistants, all dedicated to helping students, faculty, staff, and other library users access the information they need in their work of fulfilling the College's mission.