Introduction to GALILEO

Did you know that you have access to a whole world of online information resources through your Athens Tech library? This means that you can do your library research anywhere with a computer and internet access. So how can you find these fabulous resources? By searching Georgia’s online library portal, GALILEO.

GALILEO, which stands for Georgia Library Learning Online, provides access to over a hundred databases. In these databases there are many items you might want to use for your research. There are magazines and newspapers, ebooks, scholarly journals, government publications, and much more.

Why use GALILEO? You can find lots of good stuff by searching Google. Watch out though. Some of what you find will be of questionable origin or authority, or if you find something authoritative you may be asked to pay for it. Don't pay for it! The databases in GALILEO have been chosen by librarians. This means that they're reliable, and include information and resources that are good to use for your assignments.

You can get to GALILEO from the library homepage. You can find the library homepage on the Athens Technical College Webpage, under the resources dropdown, or you can go directly to http://library.athenstech.edu. If you're off-campus and access GALILEO through the library homepage then you'll need the GALILEO password. [Video shows GALILEO login screen and demonstrates the password being typed in]

This password changes every semester. If you don't know what it is you can always ask a librarian. You can also find it in Blackboard. [Video shows blackboard after you have logged in and scrolls to the box containing library information and the GALILEO password]. Note that you can also access Galileo from within Blackboard. In this case when you're off campus you won't need to enter the GALILEO password. [On screen arrow pointing to the link to GALILEO, which is right under where the password appears].

This concludes our brief introduction to GALILEO. Remember, if you have questions just ask us!