

MUIR S. FAIRCHILD RESEARCH INFORMATION CENTER



LINEAGE

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STATIONS

Maxwell AFB, AL, 26 Aug 1949-1 Oct 1996
Maxwell AFB, AL, 1 Feb 2000

ASSIGNMENTS

Air University, 26 Aug 1949-1 Oct 1996
Air University, 1 Feb 2000

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
1 Oct 1974-30 Sep 1976

Air Force Organizational Excellence Award

1 Oct 1968-30 Sep 1970.

EMBLEM

Approved on 13 Sep 1954; modified on 9 Jul 2009

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

MUIR S. FAIRCHILD RESEARCH INFORMATION CENTER

Air University Library was officially renamed in 2007 as the Muir S. Fairchild Research Information Center (MSFRIC) to honor AU's first commander. It is the largest library in the DoD and the largest federal library outside Washington DC. It contains over 2 million items; including 501,864 books and bound periodicals; 1,863 current periodicals and 23 newspaper subscriptions; 512,514 technical reports and documents; and 431,980 maps and charts. The MSFRIC loans over 2,500 items from its collections each year to government, academic, and public libraries across the country and around the world

_ The MSFRIC provides a web-based catalog and internet access to hundreds of specialized electronic resources and full-text articles and books. The MSFRIC staff compiles over 200 regional and topical resource guides and coordinates with PME faculties to provide web-based course support materials to AU students.

_ The MSFRIC edits and publishes the Air University Library Index to Military Periodicals, a guide to the contents of 81 English language military periodicals. Now in 22

its 60th continuous year of publication, the Index is available electronically through the MSFRIC webpage (www.au.af.mil/au/aul/aul.htm).

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