Using Technology for Distributed Education:
The Library

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Digital Library
http://scholar.lib.vt.edu/DLI2/

- Supports the full cycle of information: creation, dissemination, use, and preservation
- Digitized collections with access and information management tools for all formats
- Melding of activities--collections, services, and people
Myths about Digital Libraries

- If it can’t be digitized or programmed, it isn’t in the digital library
- If it isn’t in the digital library, it isn’t available to students
Digital Library

- Online tools for all formats
  - access tools
  - management tools
- Quality resources
- Adds value to information resources
- Saves times
- Available 24/7
- Convenient
Libraries

- Access to multiple formats
- Technology doesn’t have to be “seamless”
- Bridge joining traditional resources and services and their digital library incarnations
- Broad range of services
Personal reference interviews
phone, email, face-to-face (CUSeeMe)

- Lead to intellectual access
- Teach information discrimination
- Translate the question asked into the information needed
- Guide to the appropriate sources
  - Scholarly Communications Project