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Lost in Research? Head to 2nd Floor Library Services

By: Kristi Sheilds

Are you a struggling student looking for help with research and with finding the correct materials? Head to the second floor of the Jeffery R. Holland Centennial Commons for all your vital services.

The Circulation Desk & Reserves is where students can check out, return books and laptops, and even reserve textbooks and other materials for limited amounts of time.

The textbook reserves are where professors will put certain textbooks or other materials for students in their class to check out for 1 - 4 hours. It's meant for students to use in the library for studying or homework instead of spending the money to buy or rent the material.

"We have textbooks, solution manuals, class notes, sample tests, and anatomy body parts," Library paraprofessional Ellen Bonadurer said., "Whatever the [professor] feels will help the students to be more successful in the class are the things that are there."

The reference desk is where students can ask questions regarding citations, research, and other resources that may be available to you, and learn how to use those resources.

For example, a student may not know how to search for scholarly sources when writing an essay, and the reference desk can help find these resources. They will also help students brainstorm research ideas, and help the students improve in any areas needed.

Students can reach a librarian through the online chat for quick questions or set up an appointment with a librarian on the <u>web-</u> <u>site</u> for any in-depth questions.





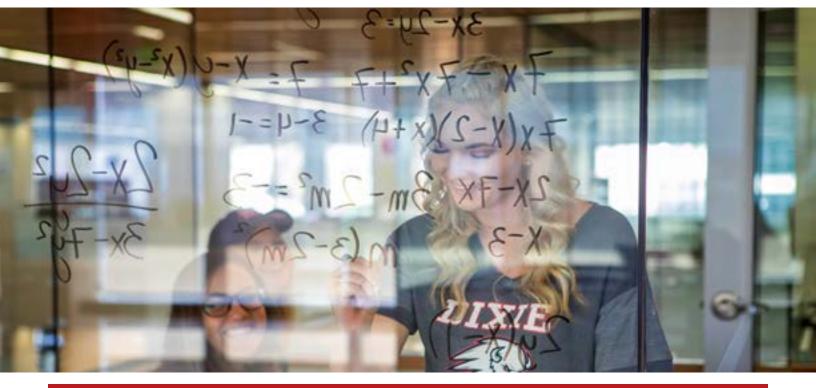


Top Left: Salako – Anatomy Hand, avaliable for students to use at Circulation Desk.

Top Right: Anatomy leg, avaliable for students to use at Circulation Desk.

Bottom: Statue by Reference Desk.

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Looking For a Study Spot? 2M is Your Place.

By: Kristi Sheilds

If you're looking for the perfect study hub on campus, check out the 2M floor of the Holland building, which consists of study rooms as well as lounge areas around the floor where students can sit and work on homework while looking at the magnificent views of campus and St. George.

Students can reserve a study room through the library's website for up to two hours per day. If you are meeting with a group, you are able to have it for a longer period of time, up to two hours for each person.

Select study rooms even have special walls that allow students to write on them.

This is also where you can find a limited collection of journals and magazines. You can access the full collection in the library's databases.

Find Hidden Gems in The Library

By: Kristi Sheilds

The third floor is home to the library staff members who are the working hands behind how books, magazines, journals, newspapers, and electronic materials get onto the shelves, or in the electronic database, and how the books stay in mint condition.

These staff members are in charge of acquisitions, maintenance and repair, cataloging, packaging, labeling, and inventory of library materials.

Special Collections & Archives is also on the third floor and is home to old and rare items that document St. George and Dixie State University. It consists of oral histories, rare books, photographs, and scrapbooks that record the town's history and growth.

Kathleen Broeder, Head of Special Collections & Archives, said one of her favorite things in the collection are the city ordinances for St. George from the late 1800s, because the serious laws back then seem so silly now.

A few examples are: In a car you had to honk before approaching a horse or carriage so they knew you were there, you were not allowed to breed stallions in public view, and gambling,



spitting and using profanity was illegal.

"It definitely shows some of the town's values," Broeder said.

Another one of her favorites is a photograph collection of the early 1980s through 2005 by Clinton Murdock, who shot photos out of the side of his little plane as he flew around St. George.

Broader said, "That one is fun because it documents how fast St. George has grown."

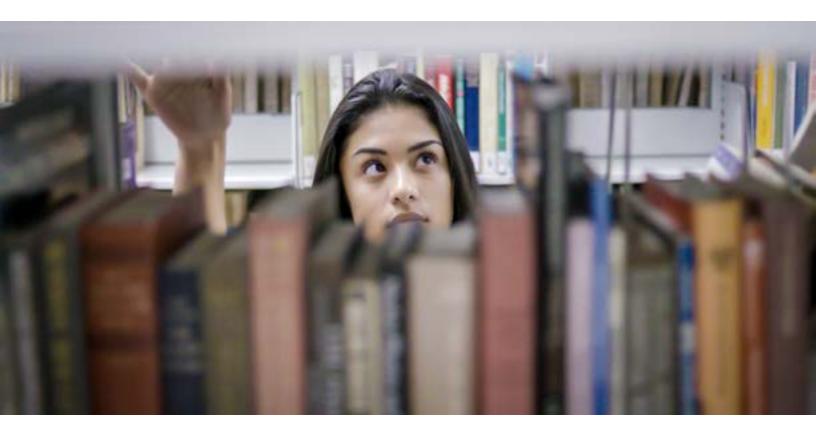
The third floor is where you can find reading materials. This is where the movable shelves are, as well as a children's section that includes nonfiction, fiction, picture books and educational material for K-12.

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Dianne Aldrich said the librarians are working on developing a bilingual section that goes from picture books up through Young Adult novels. "Those are ideal for English language learners or people who are learning foreign languages and need to practice," she remarked.

The education material is available for all teachers in the Washington County School District for free. Families who are homeschooling their children can access this material with the purchase of a community borrower card for just \$25 per year.







Seek a Helping Hand

By: Kristi Sheilds

Are you barely passing chemistry by the skin of your teeth? Or math? Or biology?

If you need help with any core general classes, the Academic Performance Center (APC) is the place for you.

Located on the fourth floor, the APC is a key resource for students to enhance their learning and studying capabilities.

The students who tutor in the APC are typically majoring in and have extensive knowledge of subjects like math, chemistry, biology, etc. to help you better understand the topic, and learn how to do it on your own.

Another resource for all students is The Writing Center because the student tutors specialize in writing. You can meet with them to hone your writing abilities, such as specific techniques regarding word choice, sentence structure, grammar, punctuation, etc. that you can work on.

Students can make appointments with these two centers on **DSU's website**.

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