Be Kind to Books

Books and other resources are often damaged through heavy use. The Library has a program for repairing materials to make them available to students and faculty as long as possible. Everyone who uses the Libraries can help to extend the life of library collections by following a few guidelines:

- Protect borrowed materials from rain
- Handle books carefully, especially when photocopying
- Notify library staff if a book needs repair
- Return books to the Circulation Desk rather than a book drop whenever possible
- Eat snacks and meals outside the libraries.

For more information about the care of collections, contact the Preservation Librarian, Andrew Hart, by email (ashart@email.unc.edu) or phone 962-8047.



Periodicals Reading Room

Need to read a French newspaper? How about a journal article in Portuguese, Russian, Italian, Arabic, or Chinese? We can help. The Periodicals Reading Room, located to the right as you enter Davis Library, contains journals and newspapers from all over the world. In fact, our collection of East Asian materials is so large an entire wall is devoted to it. A wide range of subjects is represented by titles such as American Cinematographer, Black Scholar, Farm Bureau News, and Business North Carolina.

We subscribe to nearly 20,000 serials, with over 4,500 shelved in the Reading Room. The rest are sent to other campus libraries.

Assistance is available during library hours. For serials information call 962-1067 (9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday) or Davis Reference, 962-1151.

Government Documents

The Documents Section of the Davis Library Reference Department holds documents in print, microform, and electronic formats from the U.S. government and from international organizations such as the United Nations and the International Monetary Fund. The collection also holds selected materials from the 50 states of the U.S.

The Electronic Documents area near the Reference Desk contains public computers for searching U.S., international, and state documents on CD-ROM and disk. Internet sites for state, international, and U.S. government documents are easily accessible through the Documents home page. Records for U.S. government documents from 1976 on can be found in the Libraries' Online Catalog. Major indexes to government publications, including GPO Monthly Catalog, Congressional Universe, and Statistical Universe, are available from the Libraries' Electronic Indexes and Databases page (eresources.lib.unc.edu/eid/).

Help is available for any of these resources at the Davis Reference Desk, by phone (962-1151), or by email (reference@unc.edu).

www.lib.unc.edu/reference/govinfo/



Nonprint Materials

While the Undergraduate Library is undergoing renovation, the Nonprint Collection is accessed via the street entrance of Wilson Library (962-2559). Its audio and videotapes, DVDs, 16mm films, laser discs, compact discs, slides, records, and equipment serve more than 2,500 classes each year. Individual carrels are available for listening and viewing materials in the Library; many items may be checked out for three days. Most nonprint materials are in the Libraries' catalog, with printed lists available for browsing in the Nonprint Collection. Staff can answer reference questions on films and videos, handle routine repairs, and provide an array of film catalogs from which films may be ordered for classroom use.

www.lib.unc.edu/house/nonprint.html

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