West Side Informer

Volume 16, Issue 6 August 2022

AM LIBRARIES

Howdy, Aggies!

Whether this is a first, last, or middle semester for you, we warmly welcome you to our library. The Business Library & Collaboration Commons (BLCC) is like a branch on a tree with the tree being the service unit known as the Texas A&M University Libraries. The Libraries exists to provide you with the services, resources, and information you need to ace your classes and plan for your future. The Libraries website is a vital launchpad taking you to guides, databases, e-journals, newspapers, books, plus audio and video resources, all in one "indispensable hub of discovery, learning, and creativity." From there you can find information about each library on campus, including rooms which can be reserved for group study, the "Get It For Me" interlibrary loan and document delivery program, instructional services, researcher services, and other how-tos and library help.

Things You Can Check Out

Your TAMU student identification card functions as your library card with which you can check out assorted items from the Ask Us Desk. Reserve items, such as textbooks, laptops, headphones, chargers, calculators, projectors, cameras, and audio/video items must be returned to the same desk from which they are checked out. Regular items, such as books from library stacks areas and interlibrary loan items from the Get It For Me program can be returned to any front desk within any library on campus. Various items have various loan terms, so be sure to make note of when and where an item is to be returned.

The BLCC

In addition to functioning as one unit, each library on campus has its own areas of expertise and spaces specifically designed for student use. In the BLCC, we have a Prayer & Meditation Room, an Open Access Lab with computer and printer services, the Barclay Reference Center with its collaborative technology areas and Bloomberg Terminals. The Bloomberg Terminals are connected to data, analytics, information delivery, and are considered "a modern icon of financial markets." As the library most closely associated with the Mays Business School, librarians at the BLCC are qualified to assist you with your entrepreneurship goals, performing business research, and being prepared for career fairs and job interviews, irrespective of field. The BLCC is also home to one of the six Patent and Trademark Resource Centers (PTRC) in the state of Texas.

The Human Element

The best resource any of our libraries has to offer is our staff. In the BLCC, our librarians are subject specialists in Accounting, Business, Finance, Information and Operations Management, Management, Marketing, and Patents and Trademarks. We also have staff who provide in person and virtual reference services. Please come visit our Ask Us Desk and we'll gladly assist you in every way we can. Our library is your library.

 $Sources: \ https://library.tamu.edu/; \ \underline{https://www.bloomberg.com/professional/solution/bloomberg-terminal/}; \ https://askus.library.tamu.edu/; \ https://blcc.library.tamu.edu/$

Comments, Compliments, Criticisms, Opinions, and Suggestions

Once upon a time, suggestion boxes were actual boxes into which slips of paper with anonymous handwritten notes were placed. Today's version may look different, but we know you still have opinions and ideas, so we invite you to tell us what you think. Just follow the QR code or go to https://tinyurl.com/k439zrt6.





BLCC

Libraries Contact Information:

Evans: 979.845.3731

Business Library: 979.845.2111

Medical Science: 979.845.7428

Cushing: 979.845.1951

Policy Sciences & Economics: 979.862.3544

Visit us at the Ask Us Desk to get your gadget and book needs met.

Copies of this newsletter are available at oaktrust.library.tamu.edu

This newsletter is written and published by the Business Library & Collaboration Commons Staff.