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POLICY TITLE: STUDENT LIBRARY SERVICES

The following policy outlines the full range of library services offered to Andy & Barbara Gessner College of Nursing students.

University of Houston Libraries

The UH Libraries system comprises of MD Anderson Library, the William R. Jenkins Architecture and Art Library, the Health Sciences Library, and the Music Library. It provides users with access to physical and digital volumes, physical and digital journals, and other serial subscriptions. Resources include e-journals, e-books, and databases. The circulating collections are continually updated and reflect the latest scholarship in a range of fields including nursing and other health-related disciplines. The date of publication is clearly marked on each item, enabling users to identify whether the resource is appropriate for current or historical research. Additionally, interlibrary loan provides access to more resources from libraries around the world.

MD Anderson Library – UH Main Campus

MD Anderson Library has hundreds of computers divided between two labs for the students, faculty, and staff of the University of Houston. The Academic Research Center focuses on the research and study needs of patrons, while the Learning Commons caters to their high-end multimedia and collaborative study needs. The library also provides a variety of study spaces for groups and individuals, a Makerspace, electronic equipment for checkout, printing and scanning, Wi-Fi, a Technology Training Program, and more.

The Health Sciences Library – UH Main Campus

The Health Sciences Library serves the Colleges of Nursing, Optometry, Medicine and Pharmacy, as well as other health-related programs across campus. The library is located on the second floor of the Health 2 building and is open seven days per week. It supports student collaboration with four group study rooms. A large conference room with advanced video conferencing capabilities allows for collaboration between buildings, campuses, and institutions. A classroom with student laptops enables instruction in information retrieval, data visualization, and digital scholarship. There are desktop computers available for use and laptops which can be checked out. Printing, scanning, and Wi-Fi are also offered at this location. Although the majority of the library's collection is online, there is also a physical collection of current editions of reserve materials and reference books, as well as anatomical models on-site. Additionally, librarians with experience in the health sciences are available to support student research.

For a full description of services available, see the [UH Libraries web page](#).

The University of Houston at Katy - Health Sciences

The University of Houston at Katy provides a wide variety of services designed to support faculty and student success. The instructional site is located in state-of-the-art facilities near I-10 and the Grand Parkway. Faculty, staff and students have access to the Virtual Library located on the 1st floor. The

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Virtual Library provides electronic library resources and services that support the University of Houston students and faculty. Services include online databases, electronic books, journals and internet resources. Books can be delivered to the Katy location when students use the online catalogs.

For a full description of services available, see the [UH Katy Library web page](#).

Fort Bend County Libraries University Branch – UH Sugar Land Campus

This library provides study space, computers, Wi-Fi, printing and scanning, and technology classes. Academic librarians are available to support student research. Gessner College of Nursing students can also obtain access to Fort Bend County Libraries’ print and online resources by applying for a FBCL library card.

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