

Library Opening Hours: Public Holidays

Fiji Day, Wednesday 10 October and
Diwali, Wednesday 7 November

Main Library: 9.00 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.
All Night Reading Room – **Closed**
Lower Campus Library - **Closed**

*Note that PIMRIS Issue Desk and Pacific Collection & Main Issue Desks at the Main Library **close 30 minutes prior** to the closing of the Library. This means, for example, that fines cannot be paid nor books issued.*

Extended Library Opening Hours: Study and Exam Weeks

The Main Library will be open for additional four hours to 10:00 p.m. on the following Fridays:

- 19 October
- 26 October
- 2 November

Leisure Reading Collection

Come and browse our Leisure Reading Collection. Situated on Level B in an area with comfy seating, you can choose from a broad range of genres including contemporary fiction, biography, crime, fantasy, horror and science fiction. These books are there for you! We also welcome donations of books for Leisure Reading.

Chalk Your Thoughts

A black chalk-board is on the Library verandah. Its intended purpose is to allow users to engage with the Library on library issues in an informal manner. A staff member notes and responds via the Board or in some cases depending on the issue, via the Suggestion Box responses.

Please make time to 'chalk your thoughts'!

The Library –A Public Space

The Library takes no responsibility for the safety of personal items. **Do not leave personal items unattended at any time!**

FEATURE: Reference Tools

❖ APA Citation Style

- In general when you cite an article from a database, the format is the same for a print article. APA rules ask for the URL of the journal, magazine or newspaper homepage, but USP lecturers may prefer the name of the database where you retrieved the article. APA rules do not require a retrieval date for electronic source unless they are likely to change. Check with your lecturer as they may want to see a date. More information: <http://usp.ac.fj.libguides.com/apa>

❖ Harvard Citation Style

- An alternative to the APA or MLA. This citation format allows the person reading your paper to know what sources you used and where to locate these sources. In general you need to cite the Author, Year of Publication, Title and Publishing data.

<http://usp.ac.fj.libguides.com/harvard>

❖ MLA

- The Modern Language Association citation style is often used for classes in Humanities such as English and History.

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❖ CMS

- The Chicago Manual of Style covers a variety of topics from manuscript preparation and publication to grammar, usage and documentation and has been called the 'editors bible'. Two notable CMS documentation styles are (i) *Notes-Bibliography* (NB) system which is used in literature, history and the arts and (ii) *Author-Date* system which is nearly identical in content but slightly different in form and is preferred in the social sciences.

<http://usp.ac.fj.libguides.com/chicago>

For further information contact:
323-2322 or readservices@usp.ac.fj

Information Research Skills (IRS)

The USP Senate (November 2017) approved the embedding of 14.5 hours Information Research Skills training in the first semester of all PG students registered with effect from 2018. The first cohort who completed from different faculties received certificates of completion on August 8 followed by a hosted morning tea at the Library Conference Room.

Campus Libraries will also be visited by Liaison Librarians who will deliver the IRS programme to PG and UG students, researchers and staff. The following Campus Libraries will be visited shortly: Cook Islands, Fiji (Lautoka, Labasa), Kiribati, Nauru, Niue, Marshall Islands, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu.

IRS @ Laucala Campus

Month	Date	Time	IRS Session
September	Tue. 18	6-9pm	-Library, PG Services and Databases Overview (1 Hr) - Searching Online Databases; OPAC and ProQuest (2Hrs)
	Wed. 19	6-8.30pm	-Searching Online Databases (1.5 Hrs); ProQuest Dissertations & Theses; EBook Central -Citing & Referencing (1 Hr)
	Thur. 20	6-8pm	-Working with Citation tools (2 Hrs); Mendeley, EndNote

All workshops are FREE, but pre-registration is required. Registrations close at 4pm, two working days prior to the Workshop. To register email irslibrary@usp.ac.fj and state your *name, student ID number, programme of study & phone contact*. For enquiries contact Reader Services on 323 2291 or email irslibrary@usp.ac.fj.

Undergraduate 200 and 300 students are encouraged to attend the above sessions. For October schedules check the Library webpage at the USP url <http://www.usp.ac.fj>

For IRS enquiries email Librarian Ms. Vasiti Chambers on chambers_v@usp.ac.fj or call 323 2291.

Need Assistance?

Trained library staff located at the Information Desk welcome the opportunity to help you.

Library Tours

Library tours are conducted every Tuesday at 11am and every Saturday at 4pm. Register your interest at irslibrary@usp.ac.fj. Sign-up sheets are also posted on the Library foyer. If you are not able to sign-up just be at the Main Library foyer at the stated time.

Library Level A

Renovation work for the Library Commons has commenced leaving the whole floor 'out-of-bounds' to users of the Library. Access to toilets and drinking facility is available on level C.

When completed Level A will have spaces for group and individual studies, an IRS lab and a lounge, Learning and Teaching labs, Visiting lecturers space for work, consultation spaces and a café zone.

Use of Mobile Devices and Noise In the Library

As students prepare for exams and tests we request that you are mindful of the noise. Laptops, tablets, MP3 players and mobile phones may be used in the Library provided they cannot be heard by other users. Ringtones, speaking on the phone and other associated sounds are treated as noise offence and will attract a noise fine of \$40.00. This restriction does not apply to designated talking areas.


Staff


The Library welcomed Makereta Sovu as Janitor and farewellled Laurel Stewart, Junior Library Assistant who was recruited to a special library.

Library Social Media

We are on **FaceBook**, **Twitter** and **Instagram**. Look us up when you're searching and/or navigating these platforms:

 facebook.com/USPLibrary/

 Twitter: @ USPLibrary

 Instagram: @ USPLibrary

Library News is published 6 times a year by the Readers Services section of the Library. Send your comments and suggestions via email to library@usp.ac.fj or through phone to 323 2291.