



The University of the South Pacific Library
Laucala Campus

LIBRARY NEWS

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1 WELCOME

Library services continue to be offered physically and virtually.

2 General Information

The Library encourages you to use its resources and services via its revamped Library website at <http://www.usp.ac.fj/library>.

3 Opening Hours

Main Library

Monday- Thursday	8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday	1:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Public Holiday	9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Study and Exam Weeks

The Main Library will be open until 10:00pm on the following Fridays:

- ❖ 26 November
- ❖ 3 December

Learning Commons (Level A) for Overnight Study

Monday-Thursday	8:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m.
Friday 26 November	10.00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m.
Friday 3 December	10.00 p.m. – 7:00a.m.

Lower Camps Library (PIMRIS)

Monday-Thursday	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Saturday/Sunday/Public Holidays	Closed

The Pacific Collection & Main Issue Desks at the Main Library cease operations 30 minutes prior to Library closure.

VACATION HOURS: 11 December 2021-

Monday & Wednesday	8am-4.30pm
Tuesday & Thursday	8am-6.00pm [Dec/Jan]
Friday	8am-4.00pm
Weekend & PH	CLOSED

Requirements for entry continues and include:

- ❖ Vaccination card (fully vaccinated status)
- ❖ Wearing of a face mask
- ❖ Physical distancing of 2 metres
- ❖ Temperature checks at entrance (random)
- ❖ Regular washing of hands using soap and
- ❖ Use of sanitiser.

Announcements are periodically made to remind users of compliance with requirements. Users are not to move furniture around as they have been arranged in accordance with distancing requirements.

4 Exam Papers

The Library offers past examination papers and are available online at <https://www.usp.ac.fj/library/e-resources/exam-papers/>. Do note that:

- ❖ print copies of exam copies can be obtained from the Issue Desk.
- ❖ prices of exam papers are available from the *Exam Page Index* at the Issue Desk counter.
- ❖ exam paper requests submitted after 4.30pm will be available the next day working day Monday to Friday and on Monday for those submitted in the weekend.

5 Search at USP

You can now use our *How to Search @USPLibrary* short video to help better search the library catalogue.

For more information, visit

https://librarycat.usp.ac.fj/client/en_GB/default

6 Fine and Fees

To avoid being charged fines we advise you to return your items on time. If you are unable to do this, please contact the Reader Services Librarian –

Services on askalibrarian@usp.ac.fj as soon as possible to find out what to do next.

The library stamps or writes the due date on your items and in the case of general items the Library sends a courtesy email *before* items are due noting that this is not a library requirement.

6 Library Displays

The October and November displays include:

- ❖ Commemoration of *Global Media and Information Literacy Week 24-31 October* with the theme “*Media and Information Literacy for All.*” The display featured information on: What is Media and Information literacy? the UN MIL clicks social media initiative as well as our Information Research Skills programme.
- *Pinktober Breast Cancer awareness month.*
- *What your library team can do for you!* This featured a signpost of our resources, tools and services we offer to help with your studies and research.
- *World Day for Audiovisual Heritage* 27th October. In the words of the United Nations (2021) “Audiovisual archives tell us stories about people’s lives and cultures from all over the world”. Our display featured some of the Pacific audiovisual material from our collection.
- *World Cities Day 31st October* with the theme *Adapting Cities for Climate Resilience.*
- *International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women*
- *Orange the World (16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence)*
- *Exam tips.*

7 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!**

8 Staff

We bid farewell to Laucala Campus Library staff - Natasha Skeen, Librarian (Reader Services), Varomue Fesaitu (IT Technician) who left in October and Dr Daniel Brown who leaves on 10 December 2021 and Skye Ravenscroft, Librarian, Emalus

Campus, Vanuatu, who left in November. We thank them for their contribution to Library services and wish them well.

9 Liaison Librarians

What Can Liaison Librarians Do to Assist You?

- ❖ Teach Information Research Skills sessions in your subject area
- ❖ Conduct staff training on library resources
- ❖ Attend to specific research queries
- ❖ Create and maintain subject guides on your subjects and courses
- ❖ Assist academics with completion of the Library Section (Section B) of the New Course Proposal Form
- ❖ Notify academics about new library materials of interest to your teaching and research
- ❖ Notify you about new e-resources, databases, OER or library services
- ❖ Encourage participation in selection and de-selection of materials.

Visit: <https://www.usp.ac.fj/library/our-services/liaison-librarians/>

Alternatively, you can contact our online information desk at askalibrarian@usp.ac.fj

Keep updated with our tukutuku@usp.ac.fj and social media communications!



In this last issue of *Library News* for 2021, we acknowledge that it has been a year like no other and we hope that our alternative services enabled you to continue learning, teaching and researching. The Library staff wish you the very best for final papers and exams and look forward to seeing you in more face to face learning and teaching in 2022. May the peace and joy of Christmas be with you and your families!

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