

LIBRARY SERVICES

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Mission: *We put information in the hands of users.*

Brewer Library, Decatur Campus

The Albert P. Brewer Library is located on the Decatur Campus. Books, eBooks, magazines, journals, newspapers, CD-ROMs, educational videotapes, books-on-tape, books-on-CD, microform, and reserve shelf materials are available. Computer workstations provide access to online library resources through the Brewer Library/LRC web site at <http://lib.calhoun.edu/lib/> as well as offer users Microsoft Office application software (Word, Excel, PowerPoint).

Calhoun students (including Dual Enrollment) and faculty have online access to an array of licensed, online databases offered through the Alabama Virtual Library. Thousands of magazines, journals, newspapers, and trade publications offer full-text articles that can be printed from networked printers or e-mailed. All licensed, online databases are accessible on campus from networked computers and all are accessible remotely via authentication of a Username and Password. Information detailing remote access can be found on the Calhoun Library/LRC web site at <http://lib.calhoun.edu/lib/unpw.html>.

Resource materials (videotapes, DVDs, CD-ROMs) that support distance learning courses are held at the Library circulation desk for checkout by students enrolled in these classes.

Brewer Library has been a member of the Library Management Network, Inc. (LMN) since 1984. As a member of LMN, the online catalog (OPAC) enables users to locate books in the collections of area libraries as well as the Brewer Library and the LRC. A collection of almost 40,000 eBooks is accessible through the NetLibrary website. The circulation staff provide interlibrary loan to students, faculty, and staff who want to borrow a book held by an LMN library or a library out of state. The online catalog is accessible from the Brewer Library/LRC web site at <http://lib.calhoun.edu/lib/>.

Reciprocal borrowing privileges are in place for Calhoun students to borrow books at the libraries of Athens State University and Alabama A&M University without a charge. The UAH Library charges a \$15 annual fee for the checkout of materials. All three libraries require the presentation of valid identification that identifies the student as registered at Calhoun for the current semester.

Point-of-use instruction and personal assistance in conducting library research and traditional reference services are offered. Electronic reference service is available through the Library/LRC web site. Hands-on instruction may be scheduled in the Library Instruction Room (equipped with 23 student workstations) by calling x 2777. Orientation is provided through handouts, library guides, flyers, posters, 2CTV, and 4CTV. The formal Orientation Class includes information about the Library and LRC and promotes information literacy.

For more information, including hours, please access the Brewer Library/LRC web site.

Learning Resources Center, Huntsville Campus

The Learning Resources Center is located at the Huntsville, Research Park Campus and primarily serves students who take classes at the Huntsville and Redstone Sites.

Computer workstations offer access to licensed, online databases available through the Alabama Virtual Library. These licensed databases with full-text articles are accessible to Calhoun students and faculty from networked computers on the Huntsville campus and Redstone site and remotely (Off Campus) via a Username and Password. Information detailing remote access is found at <http://lib.calhoun.edu/lib/unpw.html>.

LRC computer workstations also offer the Microsoft Office suite of application software (Word, Excel, PowerPoint).

The online catalog (OPAC) displays the LRC collection as well as Brewer Library and includes the almost 40,000 NetLibrary eBooks available 24/7 from the Library/LRC web site. Students at the Huntsville may obtain a print book from Brewer Library by making the request to the LRC circulation desk staff. A courier delivers books Monday through Friday from Brewer Library to the LRC for checkout.

A collection of print magazines, journals, and newspapers is available for casual reading.

A *Virtual Reference Desk* accessible from the Library/LRC web site offers web based reference sources such as dictionaries and directories as well as web based resources by subject. Subjects are arranged by academic divisions of the college.

An impressive collection of history books collected by the late Calhoun history instructor, Dr. Russell Chance, and donated by his family is maintained at the LRC.

Point-of-use instruction and personal assistance in conducting library research is offered by librarians.

Resource materials for distance learning courses are located at the LRC circulation desk for checkout by students enrolled in these classes. CBC Video Information Sessions, provided by some instructors for selected courses, are available at the LRC for viewing. LRC librarians offer library instruction to English 101 classes taught at the Huntsville and Redstone sites upon request by calling x 4777. A Multipurpose Room (includes video conferencing) can be scheduled by instructors for classes or groups by calling x4771.

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Center for the Study of Southern Political Culture

The Center for the Study of Southern Political Culture (CSSPC) is an archive and exhibit of political literature and related items from national, state, and local campaigns and political activities such as the Civil Rights Movement. The collection is housed in the LRC at the Research Park Site in Huntsville. It is open by appointment. Inquiries should be addressed to Dr. Waymon E. Burke, Project Director.