

CONDUCT IN AND AROUND THE LIBRARY

INAPPROPRIATE CONDUCT

The Linus A. Sims Memorial Library seeks to create a welcoming, comfortable, and safe environment for our users. It is also the Library's responsibility to preserve an environment conducive to research and study. Behavior that disrupts or obstructs academic pursuits or the delivery of library services is a violation of this policy. Inappropriate conduct includes, but is not limited to:

- * Creating excessive noise (including the use of audible sound generating devices) that interferes with the normal operations of the Library or with another's right to study;
- * Engaging in hostile or rowdy behavior;
- * Conduct that is disorderly, lewd, or indecent, including the use of language that is considered lewd or indecent;
- * Any form of sexual harassment, including the display of sexually explicit objects or pictures, print or electronic;
- * Obstruction of the free flow of pedestrian traffic;
- * Threatening, intimidating, coercing, harassing, or using physical force in a manner that causes another person to be reasonably apprehensive or which endangers the health or safety of oneself or another person;
- * Soliciting goods, services, or donations;
- * Distribution of non-Library materials to patrons or staff without permission from Library administration;
- * Failure to comply with the directions of a Library staff member in the performance of his/her duties;
- * Any conduct that violates the Responsible Computing policy, other University policies, the Student Code of Conduct, or federal/state/local laws.

Persons whose conduct is deemed disruptive or inappropriate will be asked to modify their behavior or leave the library. If they persist in unacceptable conduct or refuse to leave, the University Police will be summoned.

FOOD

Food is only allowed in the lobby area on the first floor. Beverages must be in firmly-lidded spill-proof containers and are permitted in most areas throughout the Library. Areas that don't allow beverages are marked with signs. Patrons are expected to put all food and drink related trash into one of the many trash cans located throughout the building. Spills should be reported to a Library staff member.

CELL PHONES AND OTHER AUDIBLE ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Cell phones, pagers, and similar electronic devices should be set to no-ring (vibrate) mode and should only be used in lobby areas. Devices with headphones should be set at a low volume so sound is not audible to others.

ELECTRICAL CORDS

Electrical cords must not be draped across aisles or in any manner that creates a tripping hazard.