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Introduction This unique Library combines the resources of San José State University and the San José Public Library System. The King Library is the largest, all-new library west of the Mississippi River, an innovative collaboration that has created an invaluable community resource open and free to all. A feast for the mind, as well as the eyes, the King Library boasts a collection of roughly 1.5 million items as well as delightful public art installations awaiting your discovery on every floor. Check the floor maps of each floor
<http://www.sjlibrary.org/about/locations/king/floors/floor3.htm>.

Hours Library hours are always posted on or near the entrance doors of the King Library and are also available via phone at: 408-808-2000 and online at:
<http://www.sjlibrary.org/about/locations/king/index.htm>. Not all departments within the library are open the whole time the Library is open; please check specific hours of particular departments or services in which you are interested.

Please check King Library website at
http://www.sjlibrary.org/about/locations/king/extended_hrs.pdf for extended hours during the finals.

Circulation Books, Course Reserves, Government Publications, and public library materials can be checked out at the Circulation Desk on the 1st floor. Materials may also be checked out using the self-service check out machines on the 1st floor. Other functions may be done at the Circulation Desk, such as renewing books, placing holds or searches, and paying fines. See the Borrowing Services webpage to find out how to renew, place holds, and check your circulation record online. You will need to show your Tower Card and apply for a library card at the Circulation Desk. Most books circulate for 3 weeks. Heavily used materials circulate for one week. A student ID card from SJSU can be used to check out books from most of the CSU campuses such as East Bay and San Francisco but not from UC campuses such as Berkeley and Santa Cruz.

Reference Desk (Getting Help in the Library) The Reference Desk is located on the 2nd floor of King Library. Librarians are available to help you with your research. Go to the Reference Desk with questions on the use of the library and for assistance with locating journal and magazine articles in print and online. Reference books are located near the Reference Desk. We welcome your questions so please ask for help when you need it.

Computers in the Library The King Library has over 250 computer stations available for public and student use. Except for stations featuring only the Library Catalog, all computers have access to the Internet and the library's online databases. SJSU students can check out laptops from the Lower Level service desk for up to 4 hours at a time. We have 80 HP notebook PCs and 20 tablet PCs available. There are 384 connections throughout the building where these laptops can be plugged in for DSL Internet access and use of software such as Microsoft Office, SPSS; they are

marked with a bright pink label. Consult the Floor Plans above for the location of the proper connection; please note that laptops for check-out plug into *different* connections than personal laptops do. Checked-out laptops are for use only in the King Library and may not be taken out of the building. Laptops must be returned to the Lower Level service desk from which they are checked out.

Look for the bright green sticker if you bring your own laptop.

Computer services and support are also available in L67, or you can call 408-808-2470, or email LibrarySCS@sjsu.edu for assistance.

Wireless access is available at the King Library starting. You will need to activate your SJSUOne account at <http://www.sjsu.edu/sjsuone/>.

Information Literacy Competence Program Includes many services designed to help students learn more about the library and use it more effectively, such as lectures given to students taking English 1B, 100W, and as requested by professors. If you need in-depth one-on-one help finding library resources for a paper or other research project, you may arrange an appointment with a librarian specializing in your subject area to help you find material on your topic. Ask at the Reference Desk on the 2nd floor. Or call 408-808-2100, or check them out online at http://sjlibrary.org/about/contacts/sjsu_specialists.htm.

Library Catalog You may search by title, author, subject, word (keyword), call number and other standard numbers. Sophisticated combinations of terms and limitations by such factors as language, publication date, etc. are also possible. The Library Catalog is available in Chinese, Spanish and Vietnamese.

Cultural Heritage Center: Africana, Asian American, and Chicano. Located on the 5th floor, this Center provides specialized resources in these areas, publishes a newsletter and hosts cultural events.

Online Reference Service “Ask A Librarian” E-Mail Reference Service is available at: <http://www.sjlibrary.org/services/reference/index.htm>

AskNow Live Online - QuestionPoint provides you with real-time web-based searching assistance while chatting online with a Reference Librarian. This service is designed to help you answer short, fact-based questions. Connect at: <http://sjlibrary.org/services/reference/>, click on the link for SJSU students and faculty only.

Periodicals All *print* periodicals (magazines, newspapers, journals) are located on the LowerLevel. There are more than 30,000 e-journals.

Government Publications SJSU has been a partial United States Government Publications depository since 1964. We receive publications of government agencies including those of the United Nations, United States, the State of California, County of Santa Clara, and City of San José. U.S. Government Publications are located on the lower level. Some California and local documents

are on the Lower Level. These collections are being integrated into the main research stacks, floors 6-8. For assistance in using these collections, ask at the Reference Service Desk on second floor.

Reserves Academic course reserves are located at the Circulation Desk on the 1st floor. Most books and other materials placed on reserve for classes by the faculty are kept here. Some readings are available online at: <http://www.sjlibrary.org/services/reserves/>. Circulation periods for reserve materials are shorter than normal—two hours, overnight, or 3 days.

General Collections Located on the 3rd Floor, the General Collection provides a collection of circulating popular fiction and non-fiction selected to support the general interests of the community. Language tapes in multiple languages are also available on the 3rd floor.

Research Collections Located on the 6th-8th Floors are circulating books selected to support university coursework and research.

SJSU Special Collections and University Archives Located on the 5th floor, Special Collections contains rare, old, valuable or fragile library materials that cannot be removed from this area. Collection strengths are in local history, literature and the arts.

The holdings of the Sourisseau Academy, a university society, that promotes collections and research in local history, are also located here. Service for these collections is provided through the California Room.

The Steinbeck Center contains specialized materials concerning author John Steinbeck, including manuscripts and first editions, and is the largest Steinbeck research archive in the world.

The Center for Beethoven Studies holds a collection of materials on the composer, and is the largest Beethoven research archive outside of Europe.

The California Room contains books and other materials related to California and its history.

Study Areas Certain floors in the King Library have been designated as “Quiet Study” or “Silent Study.” Please show consideration for others by not creating unnecessary noise, even if you are studying in a group. Group study and project rooms are located throughout the building on LL, 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th floor. Rooms on 2nd, 3rd, and 6th floors can be booked ahead of time with a valid SJSU ID and a library PIN code at <http://sjlibrary.org/services/rooms/>.

Web Access Access to the Library Catalog, indexes and full-text databases, as well as links to many subject-oriented webpages and guides prepared by Library staff is available on all floors of the King Library. Email and general Internet access is available on some computers throughout the building and can be accessed via your own laptop or a laptop checked out on the lower level.

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