

Learning Resource Centers Service Unit Outcomes [SUO]

Service Unit Purpose:

The primary purpose of the Learning Resource Centers is to provide library materials, services, and facilities necessary to support the College's instructional programs, to meet student course and non-course related library needs, and to meet administrative and public service requirements. In addition, the Learning Resource Centers accept the responsibility for providing materials and services to all members of the College community including traditional and nontraditional students, online, and distance learners. We further strive to promote the teaching and learning process through an information literacy program designed to enable users to "recognize when information is needed and have the ability to locate, evaluate, and use effectively the needed information."*

*American Library Association, Presidential Committee on Information Literacy.

Service Unit Description:

The Learning Resource Centers represent the combined collections, resources, and services of four academic libraries of Jefferson State Community College: the Jefferson LRC, the Shelby-Hoover LRC, the St. Clair LRC, and the Chilton LRC.

The Jefferson Campus Learning Resource Center is housed on the second floor of the James B. Allen Library Building. The library provides a seating capacity of over 250 via study tables spread liberally throughout the library. In addition, there are study carrels, a group study room, separate multi-media classroom, and a Current Periodicals Area with casual furniture [couches, armchairs, small tables]. The library provides networked computers with printing, wireless internet access, photocopying, and Course Reserves. All library resources, materials, and services are available from any internet connection through the library's content management platform [website] which provides access to the online public catalog of all library holdings, electronic book collections, premier research databases, virtual reference services, subject guides, and resource pages.

The Shelby Campus Learning Resource Center is located on the first floor of the General Studies Building in Room 122. The Center provides a seating capacity of approximately 120 including study carrels, a group study room with multi-media capabilities, individual study rooms, and a current Periodicals Area with casual furniture. The Center also includes a networked computer lab with printing, wireless internet service, photocopying, and Course Reserves. All library resources, materials, and services are available from any internet connection through the

library's content management platform [website] which provides access to the online public catalog of all library holdings, electronic book collections, premier research databases, virtual reference services, subject guides, and resource pages.

The St. Clair Learning Resource Center is located on the first floor of the St. Clair - Pell City Center and has a seating capacity of approximately 45. The library has networked computers with printing, wireless internet access, photocopying, and Course Reserves. All library resources, materials, and services are available from any internet connection through the library's content management platform [website] which provides access to the online public catalog of all library holdings, electronic book collections, premier research databases, virtual reference services, subject guides, and resource pages.

The Chilton Learning Resource Center is located on the first floor of the Chilton - Clanton Center and has a seating capacity of approximately 45. The library has networked computers with printing, wireless internet access, photocopying, and Course Reserves. All library resources, materials, and services are available from any internet connection through the library's content management platform [website] which provides access to the online public catalog of all library holdings, electronic book collections, premier research databases, virtual reference services, subject guides, and resource pages.

Service Unit Outcomes:

Library users will have access to library resources, materials, and services.

Library users will find collections to be sufficient in quality, depth, diversity, format, and currency to support the college's teaching and learning initiatives.

Library users will discover information in all formats through effective use of library technologies and organization of information.

Library users will seek engagement with librarians in a variety of ways and contexts when seeking information resources.