

LIBRARY SERVICES

Instruction

Library instruction is provided upon request to any member of the Jeff State community. This service can be in the form of classroom instruction or via research clinics on specific subjects. The goal is to provide instruction that is relevant to the user at the time of service. To request this service, please contact us at reference@jeffstateonline.com .

Reference

Reference services are provided in several ways: via reference librarians in the library; via Instant Messaging from the library's home page; or via Reference Email also available on the home page. Users are encouraged to use this service!

Resources and Materials

The Learning Resource Centers combined collections consist of over 110,000 books, bound periodicals, United States Government documents, audio-visual materials, and microforms. Our collections are continually evaluated and students and faculty are encouraged to suggest new materials. Access to the collection is provided via our electronic portal and is available to anyone with an internet connection.

Photocopiers, study tables and carrels, and audio-visual equipment are available in the Learning Resource Centers. Computers are provided for access to the internet and electronic information resources, particularly the libraries' electronic portal and the Alabama Virtual Library. The electronic portal [library home page] provides a single point of entry for all the library's resources, including the AVL. With the AVL, every citizen of Alabama has 24-hour access to thousands of reliable resources including full-text journals, reference books, encyclopedias, medical information, statistical information, and homework aids. The Alabama Virtual Library can be accessed from any of the Learning Resource Centers; it is also accessible off-campus via username and password provided at any of the Learning Resource Centers.

All materials except reference books and journals circulate and are located in open stacks. Audio-visual materials must be used while in the Learning Resource Centers and equipment is provided for its use. A computer lab is also available at the Shelby-Hoover Campus LRC.

Professional librarians are available at all sites to assist students in using the library's services. Instruction in using the library's resources is provided to both classes and individuals. Requests for information may be made electronically or by email.

The Learning Resource Centers' facilities and privileges are extended to all students, faculty, support personnel and administrators of the College. Persons in the community may use the facilities and services with the exception of the checkout of materials. The Learning Resource Facilities also have cooperative lending and borrowing agreements with the University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham Southern College, Miles College, Lawson State Community College, and the Pell City Public Library. Please contact Barbara Goss in the library **prior** to visiting one of the cooperative libraries or be prepared to show proof of current enrollment via a printout of your current class schedule.