Code of Conduct

Welcome to the University Libraries (UL). Members of the UNM community and visitors are invited to use the Libraries’ information resources, services, and facilities. The UL provides collections and other information resources that support the educational and research programs of the University of New Mexico, and services that benefit the university and research communities, and residents of the state of New Mexico.

Library users are expected to respect the rights of other library users and library personnel, the integrity of library resources and the scholarly mission of the Libraries. Library use is a privilege. The exercise of these privileges must be consistent with the University Libraries' Code of Conduct. The Code is designed to provide an enjoyable and productive atmosphere for all users and to prohibit activities that present security risks, damage to resources or facilities, or that otherwise interfere with other users’ ability to access library resources, services, and facilities.

Each user of the UL must observe all appropriate federal and state laws, local ordinances, the University's Student Code of Conduct and Visitor Code of Conduct, and other University policies that guide behavior on the campuses (see below). In addition, library users are expected to:

- Check out library materials before removing them from the library, and return materials in complete and good condition by the due date or when recalled by the Libraries.
- Leave buildings at closing and limit use of the Library to authorized areas only.
- Accompany and supervise at all times minors under the age of 13. Library staff are not able to act in loco parentis. Parents and guardians are responsible for their children’s behavior, safety and use of resources. Parents and guardians should be aware that library collections are developed for university audiences and that library computers do not have Internet filters.
- Observe all appropriate University Libraries policies. See listing at http://library.unm.edu/services/policies.php for additional information.

Enforcement

Concerns, problems, or Code violations may be reported at library service desks or to any library staff member. Library users found in violation of this Code of Conduct may be: asked to present identification to Library staff; subject to a search of belongings (such as bags, backpacks, boxes, etc.); directed to leave the premises; suspended from access to all library facilities for a period of time; and reported to UNM Police. Disciplinary or legal action may be taken in accordance with applicable federal and state law, and with University policy.
The following University of New Mexico policies also apply to University Libraries’ users:

Policy 2140: Use and Possession of Alcohol on University Property
Policy 2210: Campus Violence
Policy 2220: Freedom of Expression and Dissent
Policy 2240: Respectful Campus
Policy 2250: Tobacco-Free Campus
Policy 2260: Bicycles and Other Non-Motorized Vehicles
Policy 2270: Camping
Policy 2295: Service Animals
Policy 2560: Information Technology (IT) Governance
Policy 2720: Equal Opportunity, Non-Discrimination, and Affirmative Action
Policy 2730: Sexual Harassment
Policy 2740: Sexual Violence and Sexual Misconduct

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