University Libraries – Physics Library

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COLLECTION DESCRIPTION – The Physics Library’s collection includes journals, books, reference materials, and course reserves, which focus on physics and astronomy. The Library also provides access to numerous electronic books, journals, and databases, which are accessible from campus as well as remote locations.

REFERENCE SERVICE PROVIDED – The Library conducts a range of reference transactions covering general questions to in-depth research inquiries in the core subjects of the Physics Library. Staff and student assistants can assist patrons in getting started with subject-specific databases and InfoLinks in the absence of the librarian.

OTHER SERVICE PROVIDED
- Circulation – Current students, staff, faculty, and university affiliates may check out circulating materials at the service desk.
- Reserve – Faculty may request that materials be placed on reserve for limited checkout.
- Copiers – One black and white photocopier, which also has scanning/e-mail capabilities, is available.
- Scanner – A flatbed scanner is available to scan and save documents and images.
- Computers – Nine computer workstations are available for patrons’ use

REFERRALS – Patrons are referred regularly on a case-by-case basis between Mullins Library and the Physics Library because materials in the physics and related sciences are represented in both libraries. Referrals include in person, e-mail, and phone interactions. Therefore, many reference transactions can begin—or be answered—in either Physics or Mullins. Mullins personnel are encouraged to contact Physics for a patron with an advanced research question in physics or related sciences. Physics Library student staff refer advanced questions internally to the librarian or supervisor as needed.

Refer a patron to the Physics Library when the patron
- Is looking for an item with a call number that starts with PHYS
- Has a specific physics, astronomy, or related science question
- Is unfamiliar with subject specific databases in physics
- Needs help in the use of electronic journals or handbooks in physics