**LIBRARY FAQs - To come in the J-Library you must wear a mask and maintain social distance guidelines. No group gatherings.**

**Need Research Assistance? Just Ask!**
Journalism Library 102 RJI  
Library Main Phone: 573-882-7502  
We will be doing email or zoom research assistance only.

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**How do I find books, DVD’s, maps, etc?**
Visit the Journalism Library website (http://library.missouri.edu/journalism) and search the Classic Catalog (MERLIN).

**How do I find journals/articles?**
Choose “A specific article/journal” under the “Looking For?” list.

**May I check out laptops and cameras?**
Laptops will not be checked out this semester. Choose the “Journalism Equipment” link under the “Looking For?” menu. All students borrowing equipment must fill out a Journalism Library Equipment Check-Out Agreement Form.

**Do I need a library card?**
Your MU ID serves as your library card and enables you to check materials out of the libraries.

**How long can I keep library books?**
Faculty, staff, graduate students and visiting scholars may check books out for four months. MOBIUS books have shorter check out times.

**Can books be renewed online?**
Yes, click on the top drop-down “My Account” and choose “Renew my Books”  
Equipment can not be renewed online. You may call us at 573-882-7502 to find out if you may renew equipment.

**Do I have access to research databases off-campus?**
Yes, databases, e-journals, and the online catalog are accessible by logging in with your MU ID (Paw Print).

**What are course reserves and where do I find them?**
Course reserves are materials that your professors place “on reserve” to supplement and support classes. Physical books on reserve will not be checked out this semester. Check your class page to find articles and book chapters that have been scanned for online use.

**Electronic reserves** can be found under the “Quick Links” menu on the Journalism Library website. Look for E-Reserves. Electronic Course reserves may also be located in Course Canvas pages under Library Resources.

**What do I do if none of the MU Libraries have the book or article I need?**
If a book is not available at MU, try searching the MOBIUS catalog. If it is available, use the “request” function to order it.

If an article that you need is NOT available either online or in print at MU, choose the “Request an item” link under the “Quick Links” menu on the Journalism Library website.

**Where can I find Journalism master’s projects, theses and dissertations?**
Journalism master’s theses and dissertations are available electronically from 2005 and master’s projects from 2012 in MOSpace. Look in the Journalism Guides on the Journalism Library website.

**Does the Journalism Library have group study rooms?**
Yes, the Journalism Library has two group study rooms. You may reserve either one by clicking on the “Study rooms” link under the “Looking For” menu on the Journalism Library website.

**Is wireless available in the Journalism Library?**
Yes, wireless is available in all libraries.

**May I print from my laptop?**
Yes, choose the “Print Anywhere” tab from your MU ID (Paw Print).
DID YOU KNOW?

The Journalism Libraries were founded 108 years ago!

The Journalism Libraries are made up of two specialized libraries:

Frank Lee Martin Memorial Journalism Library
The Columbia Missourian Library

102 Reynolds Journalism Institute is the sixth home of the Journalism Library. Its first home was Switzler Hall. From there, it moved to Neff Hall, then to Walter Williams Hall, next to Neff Annex and to RJI in 2008.

The Journalism Libraries became MU Library branches in the 1920’s and as such are part of MU Libraries. Journalism Library History Libguide.

The Journalism Library (102 RJI)
Has been recognized as a “collection of distinction” by OCLC (the largest online public access catalog in the world).

• Is home to the largest academic photojournalism collection.
• Provides access to thousands of newspapers and periodicals (print & digitized).
• Provides hardware and software to create and edit multimedia.

The Columbia Missourian Library (315 Lee Hills Hall)

• Supports the editors and reporters of the Columbia Missourian and Vox Magazine.
• Has a rich historical file on various subjects, perfect for backgrounding previously published stories, fact checking, and story ideas.
• Digitally archives the print Missourian, daily and Vox Magazine, weekly.

Tips to Avoid Fines

Late and billed MU & UM (MERLIN System) books result in a **$175 fine**. Fines will be removed if the books are returned within a reasonable time.

**MOBIUS (MO Consortium)** late or lost book fines vary by loaning institution. There is a $20 nonrefundable fine that stays on a billed MOBIUS book.

Lost books may be replaced and fines removed based on consultation with the subject librarian.

Fines for Reserve Books & Equipment

Overdue Books on Reserve = $2/hr/book
Overdue Equipment = $2/hr or $10 a day with $50 maximum.

**Items not returned will need to be replaced with an exact replacement.** Items not returned or replaced will result in a replacement cost fine and loss of MU Library checkout privileges. Always answer any emails about overdue equipment. Equipment must be returned or replaced. Fines can be negotiated on request.

Returning Overdue Reserve Items Will Not Remove Fines

For more information choose About Us from the “Quick Links” menu on the Journalism Library website.

“A grad student’s best friends - Dorothy Carner and Sue Schuermann - at the Missouri School of Journalism library. Their dedication to helping students is one of the reasons Mizzou is the best journalism school in the world.” Alecia Swasy PhD 2014.

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