Welcome Back!

Thurgood Marshall School of Law (TMSL) started the semester with classes resuming in-person for the fall semester. TMSL is committed to transforming lives and preparing our students to achieve their goals, dreams and aspirations. To fulfill this commitment, the health and safety concerns resulting from rising cases of the Delta variant will be aided by wearing a mask.

The Law Library is now open to current faculty, students, and staff as well as to the public at this time. The computer lab is open to university students only. The Law Library is open for in-person study during regular hours without seating capacity limits.

We have resumed loaning all library materials. All TSU students have a library account automatically upon their registration to the university. Books in the general collection can be checked out for 28 days. Items can be renewed online. Reserve books are to be used within the library for a 2-hour period. Please note that all materials are due at the end of the semester regardless of when the item was initially checked out.

Legal Research Assistance

Reference Librarians are available at the Reference Desk or on call to assist students with their research/information needs. Students are encouraged to meet with a reference librarian before starting a research project to obtain advice on how to begin their research and to learn what library services are available. Reference Librarians also can deliver lectures on introductory and advanced legal research topics and instruct patrons in the use of all types of electronic information.

Phone Reference Desk: 713-313-1108
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Special Collections

The Law Library Special Collections contains over 1,900 monographs and 2,000+ microform volume equivalents that focus on the African American experience in North America and abroad. Housed on the main floor of the Law Library, the Special Collections comprise five topical areas (Sections): Africana, Diaspora, General Works, Civil Rights, and Genealogy.

Items in the Special Collections are for Library Use Only. See the librarian at the Circulation/Information Desk for more information. Please be prepared to present a valid ID (student ID/driver’s license) before the material is released. Photocopies are available upon request.

The Special Collections Reading Room is the legacy of our former Technical Services Director, Mr. Karim Alridge-Rand, who retired at the end of September of this year. He worked tirelessly to establish this collection and his service to the Law Library was invaluable. He will be greatly missed.

Holiday Hours and Finals

Thanksgiving Holiday Hours 2021

Wednesday, November 24, 2021.. 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Thursday – Friday, November 25-26, 2021 ...CLOSED

Winter Holiday Hours 2021-22

Friday, December 10, 2021..... 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday - Sunday, December 11-12, 2021 .....CLOSED
Monday - Friday, December 13-17, 2021 ....8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Saturday - Sunday, December 18-19, 2021 ......CLOSED
Monday - Thursday, December 20-23, 2021 ....8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Friday, December 24, 2021 - Sunday, January 2, 2022.....CLOSED
Monday - Friday, January 3-7, 2022.......... 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Saturday - Sunday, January 8-9, 2022............. CLOSED

Monday, January 10, 2022, Spring semester begins & regular hours resume

Extended Hours for Finals 2021

Monday-Friday, November 29 — December 3, 2021 .......... 7:30 AM – 12 AM
Saturday, December 4, 2021 ......9 AM—12AM
Sunday, December 5, 2021 ......12 PM—12AM
Monday-Thursday, December 6-9, 2021
........ 7:30 AM – 12 AM
Database Access & Catalog Sign In—TSU Credentials

Students, did you know that the method to accessing our databases remotely had changed? To access the databases, you must be a current student, faculty or staff member. Here is the procedure to access the databases remotely:

Click on the Remote Access link at the end of the database link information. You will be redirected to a single sign-on authentication page, where you will be required to enter your TSU login information. This single sign-on method where you will be required to enter your TSU Credentials is how you sign in to the catalog and gives you access to our electronic resources directly from the catalog as well.

Lexis Digital Library (LDL)

LDL provides access to a variety of resources, including legal eBooks, national treaties, practice materials, and more. For students, LDL is an excellent resource for study aids such as the Questions & Answers, Mastering, Skills & Value, and Understanding Series. LDL supports mobile devices so that you can access its products anytime, anywhere.

The Digital Library offers access to more than 3,800 LexisNexis titles, books from other legal publishers, as well as titles from the OverDrive Marketplace™, including audiobooks, digital eBooks and videos. The Digital Library is used by attorneys, law students, law librarians, judges, library patrons and other legal researchers at federal and state court libraries, large law firms, law schools, federal and state agencies, and public law libraries.

LDL offers the industry’s most comprehensive collection of legal resources and supporting materials in digital format, including the largest number of legal-topic ebooks anywhere.
We’re on the Web

http://www.tsulaw.edu/library/

OPERATING HOURS

MONDAY—FRIDAY
7:30AM – 9PM

SATURDAY
9AM – 9PM

SUNDAY
12 NOON – 9PM

REFERENCE HOURS

MONDAY – FRIDAY
8AM – 5PM

SATURDAY
9AM – 2PM

SUNDAY
12 NOON – 4PM

Library Staff

Denise Cebrun, Cataloging Clerk
Leslie Coleman, Sr. Administrative Assistant
Nanette Collins, Reference Librarian
Patrina Epperson, Circulation Librarian
Maia Ford, Loose-leaf Services Supervisor
Tara Long, Faculty Resources Librarian & Appointed Library Director
Mosetta Moy, Circulation Clerk
James Muldrew, Mail Clerk

Hours of Operation