

What's Happening to the Clark Physical Sciences Library?

Due to budget pressures, as of December 18, 2009, the Clark Physical Sciences Library will close, at least as a physical facility. But its collections, services, and online resources will remain available to the entire Cornell community.

The Collection

The Clark library's print collection is being divided into several parts based on subject area and redistributed to other libraries on campus.

The physical collections are being divided up as follows:

-Organic chemistry, and biochemistry will be sent the Mann Library.

-General science, math, astronomy, nuclear physics, quantum physics, thermodynamics and theoretical and physical chemistry will be sent the Mathematics Library (in Mallott Hall).

-Experimental mechanics, optics, geophysics, meteorology, inorganic and analytical chemistry, and technology books will be sent to the Engineering Library.

-All other items and all print journals have been sent to the Library Annex.

The Online Resources

Online journals and databases will not be affected by the closure. The Clark Library homepage will remain active and up-to-date. In fact, electronic access to journals will be expanded.

With the closure of the the Physical Sciences Library, more resources have been freed up to expand access to electronic resources.

Backfiles (back issues) of many electronic journals currently held by PSL have been purchased.

We also plan to purchase additional databases to improve searching.

Articles in journals at the Annex can be scanned and emailed to you for free. Just click through "Get It Cornell" next to an article you are searching for and follow the links. If you have any questions or problems with this service, contact one of the librarians.

The Librarians

The physical sciences librarians will continue to have offices in Clark Hall. They will be available to help any students, faculty or staff who need them.

The chemistry and physics & astronomy librarians will have offices in Clark Hall. They will continue to be available in person, by phone, and by email, for help with reference questions.

They will also continue to offer instruction to students, faculty, staff and academic departments on research methods and the use of specific resources.

New office hours will be posted in the spring.

The Space

Ideas for the precise nature of this space are still being considered.

Study space and public computing are available at the Math, Engineering, and Mann libraries.

Questions?

Concerns?

Suggestions?

If you want to know more about the future of PSL or have an idea you'd like to present, contact the librarians:

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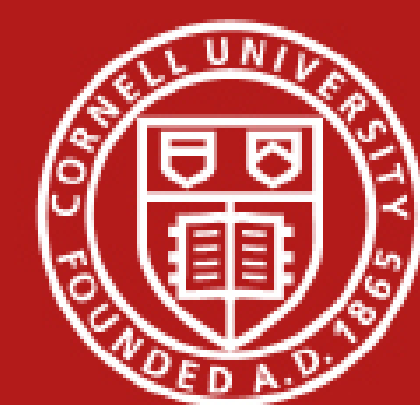
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