

J. D. Williams Library

Policies on Assignment and Use of Graduate Study Carrels

Private graduate study carrels are assigned with the intention of facilitating the research activities of University of Mississippi graduate students that have completed at least one year of graduate work. They are intended to provide a private and quiet place for uninterrupted study by graduate students engaged in research. The policies below apply to the graduate study carrels. The library reserves the right to modify these policies at any time.

CARREL APPLICATION PROCESS:

Graduate students that have completed one year of graduate school at the University of Mississippi and who are currently enrolled in graduate school may download the application online or pick up an application in the Administrative Suite 312, 3rd floor of J.D. Williams Library. Applications can be submitted anytime during the year. A wait-list will be created if needed. Applicants must present their University ID card with the application for verification purposes.

CARREL ASSIGNMENT PROCESS:

Applications will be reviewed and carrels are assigned on a first come, first serve basis for one year. Library staff will notify qualified applicants by email when a carrel is available. If the carrel is not claimed within three business days of notification, the carrel will be assigned to the next graduate student on the waiting list. Once notified, applicants can come to the Administrative Suite 312, 3rd floor, and pay a \$40.00 annual fee (cash or check only) to receive a carrel key. Carrels are assigned for one academic year with the possibility of renewal. Carrels must be renewed each year in person in the Administrative Suite 312 by paying the annual fee and updating the carrel application already on file. Students will receive a courtesy email notice to renew their carrel near the end of each academic year.

CARREL USE POLICIES:

1. The Library assumes no responsibility and will not be liable for personal property left in the carrel, including computers or other valuables.
2. Carrels are available for access during the hours that J.D. Williams Library is open.
Important: Carrel holders may not remain in their carrels when the building is closed or during facility alarms or emergencies. Failure to follow rules for building occupancy may result in carrel privileges being revoked.
3. Carrels are to be used only by the individual assigned. Carrel occupants who allow unauthorized use of their carrels are subject to termination of their carrel privileges.
4. Carrels are for quiet reading, writing and research only. Carrels may not be used for group studies, meeting or office hours.
5. All library materials kept in the carrels must be properly checked out.

6. Food preparation devices such as hot plates, coffee pots, or microwaves are not permitted. Heating and cooling devices such as space heaters are not permitted.
7. Storing food in the carrels is not permitted. Please help us keep the library free of pests by removing food and beverages promptly and by cleaning up after yourself.
8. Keys are not to be duplicated. Lost keys are to be immediately reported to Library Administration. There will be \$40 rekey charge for lost keys.
9. No library furniture or equipment should be moved from or placed into a carrel.
10. Nothing is to be permanently posted or attached in any way to walls or furniture. The inside and outside of the carrel doors should not be blocked by posters, paper, furniture, etc.
11. Carrel holders leaving the University for a semester or longer must release their carrels for reassignment during their absence, with the understanding that a carrel will be reassigned upon their return. If no carrels are available you will be placed on the wait-list.
12. The carrel assignment will be revoked and UPD will be contacted if the staff discovers alcohol, firearms, explosives, or any other material deemed dangerous, illegal, or contrary to university policies.
13. Library staff closely monitors and inspects carrels. The Library reserves the right to revoke carrel privileges of occupants who do not abide by the above carrel policies, abide by University policies or who do not use their assigned carrels for extended periods of time.

By accepting a carrel you have agreed to abide by this policy.