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TAGGART LAW LIBRARY NEWS

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Welcome – and Welcome Back!

The Law Library would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new students -- and welcome back our returning students, too!

We have been working all summer to make the library more comfortable and functional for you. Returning students may notice some of these changes. For starters, all of the reference books, including the periodical and hearings indexes, have been consolidated in the reference area. There is now a U.S. Supreme Court alcove, with case reporters and digests. The ALRs are now located close to the federal digests and legal encyclopedias.

Some library space was reconfigured, too. We added another big table in the reading room and added some soft seating near the newspapers. There is more open table space near the windows and a mixture of soft seating and carrels in quiet, secluded areas. The POLAR online catalog PCs are in more prominent locations and the PC for instructional and public use now has its own desk and printer. Lexis and Westlaw printers are located in the Computer Lab. Finally, next to the Circulation Desk you may notice the Woodworth Tax Room, which can be used for group study.

The updated library map will help you find the book collections that were moved -- but of course please ask for help if you can't find something. We plan to add additional furnishings throughout the academic year.

Change in Access Policy

Most of you know that last spring we had acts of vandalism in the library hallway late at night after the library closed. We also received many complaints and concerns about inappropriate activities in this area.

To address these issues Dean Crago has decided to implement the following changes:

Starting this fall, to improve security for both people and property, the law school will now follow security procedures used for all other buildings on campus and be locked overnight. **The entire law building will now close when the library closes.**

In response to student requests for greater access to the library and their lockers, our closing time has been extended an additional hour to **1 AM, Sunday – Thursday**. This will provide expanded access to the entire library and to student lockers before the building is locked for the night at 1 AM.

The building will reopen an hour earlier every morning at 6 AM. All other library opening and closing times remain the same as last year.

Library Hours

Regular Academic Year Hours

Sunday	11 AM – 1 AM
Monday – Thursday	8 AM – 1 AM
Friday	8 AM – 12 MID
Saturday	9 AM – 12 MID

Orientation weekend: Aug. 22 - 25

Thursday & Friday	8 AM – 4:30 PM
Saturday	9 AM – 8:00 PM
Sunday	11 AM – 1 AM

Labor Day Weekend

Friday, Aug. 30	8 AM – 8 PM
Sat., Aug. 31	12 Noon – 6 PM
Sun., Sept. 1	12 Noon – 6 PM
Monday, Sept. 2 (LABOR DAY)	1 PM – 1 AM

*Library hours are also posted
at the library entrance and on our web site.*

Food & Drink in the Library?

This year we will continue the experimental policy that we started last year: small snacks and drinks in spill-proof containers are okay, but that's it. No meals, no messy foods, nothing that would cause "problems." Stains and bugs are problems for libraries. Foods with odors are problems for those trying to study nearby. Keep it small, simple, and to yourself and all should be well.

If we encounter problems like those we had last year (with people bringing in soup, supper, sandwiches, and more), we may need to return to the old policy which banned all food and strictly regulated drink containers.

THANK YOU for your help and co-operation.



New books

The Library regularly acquires new books. Our new books are located on shelves on your right as you enter the South side of the library. Selected new book covers are also posted in the display case across from the Circulation Desk. New books can be checked out at any time – just bring the book to the Circulation Desk with your ID card.



Did you know that the Law Library has newspapers? They are in the Reading Room. We have a variety of papers, including the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, and various legal newspapers.

REFERENCE DESK HOURS

FALL SEMESTER 2002

Monday – Thursday	1 PM – 9 PM
Friday	1 PM – 5 PM

**We will also have reference service
on Sundays from Sept. 8 – Nov. 24:**

Sunday	4 PM – 8 PM
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Suggestion Box

Please give us your suggestions! Our suggestion box is located in the main hallway. We will respond to your suggestions, comments, concerns, etc. as quickly as possible. Thanks for your input.

