



Dear Minnesota State University, Mankato Library users,

Welcome to the fall 2020 semester. We know many of you are eager to return to campus, and we are excited to see colleagues, campus partners, community users, and new students in our buildings. Memorial Library reopened to the public on August 10 and the Music Library opened on August 24. During this time Library Services at Minnesota State, Mankato continues to work in partnership with our campus associates to adjust our facilities to keep our community safe.

When you return to Memorial Library you will notice some changes.

- All visitors are required to wear masks at all times
- All floors in Memorial Library are available with limited seating
- New guidelines for seating with increased space between tables and chairs
- The four group study rooms located on the first floor are now open to groups of two. All other group study rooms are closed
- Expanded textbook access through Textbooks & Course Reserves
- Delayed re-shelving of books and other materials (most items will be quarantined for 72 hours after they have been returned)
- Low-touch checkout procedures
- Additional hand sanitizer dispensers
- Sneeze guards at service points.

A few other things you should know:

- Visit the Library Hours page to see up-to-date building hours.
- Archives is available by appointment only
- For quick pick up from the 1st floor Circulation Desk, library users are encouraged to request books and other items in advance through MavScholar.
- Equipment items (laptops, cameras, etc.) should be requested in advance
- Printing and scanning are available
- To work with a librarian via chat, phone, email, or an appointment, use our Ask a Librarian service.
- For answers to frequently asked questions related to the Library and COVID-19 see the Library Services COVID-19 FAQs.

Any changes to Libraries operations will be posted on our website (library.mnsu.edu) and social media channels. Thank you for your flexibility, patience, and cooperation as we welcome you back to the Minnesota State University, Mankato campus.

We are eager to assist you with your information, research, and other needs. Best wishes for your fall semester at Minnesota State Mankato. Please let us know how we can improve our services.

Sincerely,

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