

Blackwell Library Code of Conduct

The library is open to Salisbury University students, faculty, staff and the community. While the library primarily supports the research and information needs of Salisbury University's faculty, staff and students, it provides an environment that allows all users to feel comfortable and work productively. Consequently, everyone must observe a standard of behavior that allows others to study, do research, and complete projects in safety and with minimal disruption. **(Minors under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult at all times)**

Behavior, such as the following, may be referred to university or to city law enforcement officers and may result in the loss of library privileges, including access to the library or the campus:

- Being under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol
- Carrying deadly weapons in the library unless a member of law enforcement
- Using threatening, abusive, or obscene language and/or behavior
- Removing or attempting to remove library materials, equipment, or other property without proper checkout or other official library authorization
- Concealing, sequestering, or "stashing" library materials or property within the library for the exclusive use of an individual or group
- Mutilating, defacing, or otherwise damaging library materials or property
- Smoking in the building or areas outside the building not designated for smoking
- Being in unauthorized areas of the library or remaining in the library after closing or when requested to leave
- Using computers inappropriately—including the viewing of pornography, illegal downloading, or using other people's accounts
- Opening emergency exits except in emergency situations
- Solicitation of any kind

The Library discourages behavior such as:

- Eating in other than designated areas (Snack Room)
- Bringing uncapped beverages into the library
- Causing a disturbance or engaging in any behavior that interferes with library activities or patrons, i.e. using spaces for non-academic purposes
- Disrupting others' ability to do work, including loud, excessive, and unnecessary talking
- Cell phone use in other than designated areas (outside vestibule or short quiet conversations on the first floor)

Who to contact if you observe inappropriate behavior in the library:
Circulation Desk – 410-548-2386 | Reference Desk – 410-548-5988