

J. Michael Goodson Law Library

Blueprint Behaviors in the Goodson Law Library

Respect for others and collaboration in common goals are principles of the Duke Law Blueprint Behaviors. The Goodson Law Library is a special place in the life of the law community with various "places" to accommodate quiet study, group projects, collaboration, and conversation. Community use of the library requires your cooperation and responsibility in sharing library spaces and keeping them clean.

Know your zone

Collaboration with fellow students and quiet individual study are both important in learning. Signs for Quiet Zones and Collaboration Zones are posted throughout the library. In general, open spaces are reserved for quiet individual study. Collaborative spaces have doors or are more isolated to maintain the integrity of quiet areas. Cell phone conversations must be taken to a study room or outside the library.

No parking in library carrels or at tables

Our open spaces are shared and made available equally to all Law students. Please make carrels and tables available to others when you are not **actively** using the space by clearing the surface and taking personal items with you. Keeping the carrel surface cleared is also necessary for regular cleaning.

Only books checked out to a carrel (with green slip) or borrowed from another library (with a white hold/ILL slip) may be stored on the shelf. ANY other items left in carrels (e.g. papers, notebooks, personal equipment) are subject to removal to Law School "Lost and Found" after 1 hours' notice. Food left unattended will be disposed of in the trash.

Enjoy meals outside the library

Study breaks are good for you! We encourage you to take a break and ask that you remove your personal items and enjoy your meals outside the library or in designated collaborative areas. Snack consumption is permitted in all areas of the library other than the Rare Book Room as long as you as a community **clean up after yourselves by promptly discarding and removing food, drinks and trash** in the provided receptacles and cleaning any spills or crumbs.

Food of any kind left unattended or stored anywhere in the library is subject to removal and disposal without notice.

What if everybody did that?

As an overall guideline to appropriate library behavior, practice civility and be thoughtful about how your activities affect others. Be gentle to the furnishings and mindful of general etiquette.

Build a library culture that is for the common good.