On behalf of the staff of the Goodson Law Library, welcome to Duke Law!

The information below will introduce you to the library services and facility that you will soon enjoy. Our space was designed to include a wide variety of places for individual and collaborative study and ready access to library and technology services, along with excellent collections of print and electronic resources. Please plan to take a tour/orientation session in August to get to know these places and our staff.

As you begin your time at Duke Law School, you will find that you visit the library regularly and that it is a very active space. We appreciate your cooperation in sharing library spaces, observing the designated noise levels on each floor, and keeping them beautiful for all. A few key highlights about our services and staff:

- Law students can access the library by DukeCard swipe. Staffing hours are posted on the plasma screen at the entrance.
- A service desk on Floor 3 provides visitors with streamlined, one-stop assistance from the highly knowledgeable and skilled library staff.
- Our Ask a Research Librarian service is available in person, via Zoom or by email. See https://law.duke.edu/lib/ask-a-librarian/ for details.
- Our research librarians are experienced legal researchers and instructors, all with dual degrees in law and library and information science. In addition to consultations at the service desk, you will have the opportunity to work with them in your Legal Analysis, Research & Writing course, as they co-teach a legal research section of both the J.D. and LL.M. LARW courses.
- Seven study rooms and many study carrels are available for law students. Make a reservation and read more at http://law.duke.edu/lib/studyrooms. On Floor 2 of the library, two phone pods are available on a first-come, first-served basis for remote interviews and phone calls.
- Required course texts (with some exceptions) are available on Course Reserve. Law students may borrow them for up to four hours at a time from the blue self-service cabinets on Floor 3.
- Power outlets are installed at all library tables and carrels, and there is wifi access throughout the building.
- Printers and KIC BookEye Scanners are located on Floor 1 and Floor 3 of the library.

To learn more about the Goodson Law Library’s role in your law school career, please visit our website (http://law.duke.edu/lib). This page is the gateway to all information about the library and access to resources and services. Note especially the Library Orientation Materials (https://law.duke.edu/lib/orientation), which cover basics about using the library, as well as helpful resources and study aids for your law school classes.

We are always interested in your comments and suggestions about our services and support for student research and study, so please stop by, contact me directly, or use the online Library Suggestion Box at http://law.duke.edu/lib/suggestions.

Have a great LEAD Week!