

## Renovation @ the Library

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on the web: <http://library.newpaltz.edu>

### Renovation Overview

With \$14.3 million from the State University Construction Fund, Sojourner Truth Library is undergoing a major renovation which is planned in four phases.



Phase I, the renovation of the Lower East Side (LES) Office Annex is underway. When completed it will provide revitalized spaces for many of the library offices.

Also, spaces on the ground floor are being restructured into a new microform room. The microform file cabinets and readers on the main floor will be moved into this space.

In Phase II the Main Floor will be closed. Reference and Checkout services will be moved to the Concourse level. A new temporary main entrance will be created in the hall that leads to the Lecture Center. Staff will be relocated to either temporary spaces on the Concourse or to permanent offices in the LES.

Phase III is the construction work on the Main Floor. This floor will be totally renovated, including the addition of new windows throughout, a sprinkler system, and a completely refurbished Jazzman's with a gender neutral restroom. During this phase, all library services and access will take place on the Concourse floor; there will be no access to the Main Floor.

Phase IV is the construction of a Faculty Study Room on the Concourse Level and the expansion of the Special Collections Room. At this point, Reference and Checkout services will return to the Main Floor and the entire library will be reopened.

The renovation timeline and completion dates are currently being evaluated and updates will be provided as this information is known.



### Librarians Available During Renovation

#### Face-to-Face

Library Help @ the Library Information Desk:  
Monday – Thursday 9AM to 9PM, Friday 9AM to 5PM, Saturday - Sunday 1PM to 5PM

Library Help @ the Career Resources Center:  
Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 1:30PM to 3:30PM

Research Consultation with a Librarian: Go to the library homepage, click *Ask a Librarian*, and then click *Schedule a Research Consultation*

#### Virtual

Text a Librarian at: [\(845\) 262-2011](tel:8452622011)

Library Help @ Libanswers: allows you to email questions to STL Librarians and/or find ready answers in our ever-growing super smart FAQs. Go to the library homepage and click *Ask a Librarian*, then click *Libanswers*.

Ask Us 24/7: chat live with an academic librarian within this global 24/7 reference cooperative staffed by librarians across the country and in the United Kingdom. Go to the library homepage and click *Ask a Librarian*, then click *Ask Us 24/7 Chat Service*.

### REMINDER

You **MUST** have a valid NP ID in order to check out Books, Laptops or Reserve Materials

## Where Did Everything Go?

During the renovation many parts of the collection have been moved to accommodate library operations on two floors instead of three. Shelf shifting is now over so this guide will help you find materials during the renovation. You can ask for help finding items at the Check Out and Information Desks.

**Stacks M & N**—are now in compact shelving on the Ground floor, near the restrooms. Tables have been installed near the “N” section so you can rest oversize art books there while you browse or pursue research.

**Current Periodicals/Journals**—when you come off the stairs on the Concourse level go to your left and walk toward the wall, you will find the current periodicals ahead and to your left, against the far wall.

**Bound Periodicals/Journals**—have been permanently moved to compact shelving on the Ground floor. They are arranged by Library of Congress (LC) numbers.

**Oversize Books**—on the Ground floor, go left as you come off the stairs and walk toward the far wall. Look for green shelf labels for “Oversize.”



**Juvenile Collection**—take the stairs to the Concourse level and go left. You will find the children's and young adult book collection directly ahead of you to the left of the Media collection.

**Media**—DVDs, CDs and audio books are immediately to your left as you come off the stairs on the Concourse level.

**Government Documents**—are in compact shelving on the ground floor following the “Z” journal titles.

**Reference Books**—  
Select titles are on the

Main floor to the left of the Information Desk, the bulk of them are in compact shelving on the Ground floor. Ask a librarian if you need help finding a particular reference book.

### Late-Night Study Room Moves To College Terrace

The Library will provide a late-night study room at the College Terrace during renovation.

Starting Fall semester, the Terrace will be available from 11:30pm until 3am on Sunday through Wednesday nights. Thursday will be added for midterms and finals. It will be staffed by students, and there will be laptops, a printer and wifi available. This space is convenient to the library, well-lit and has parking nearby.

