The Gulf Coast Library in Long Beach serves the Gulf Park campus and Gulf Coast teaching sites with collections of print and non-print materials that support the academic programs offered by The University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast. Gulf Coast Library has a new Learning Commons which unites all tutoring services on the Gulf Coast by joining the Writing and Speaking Center, the Math and Science Lab and the Foreign Language Lab. The Curriculum Lab has collections of educational materials and children's literature, and the library houses the archives of Gulf Park College for Women.

Library services include reference and research services, access to electronic resources (databases, e-books and e-journals), interlibrary loan, access to Hattiesburg campus materials through a shuttle service, library instruction, printing, course reserves (print and electronic), proctoring services and more.

Gunter Library is a unique resource designed to support research, education and service primarily in the marine sciences. Gunter Library provides information resources for the Department of Coastal Sciences faculty and students, research staff and visitors. Resources include the Gunter Library Reprint Collection, books, journals, expedition reports, dissertations and a small archival collection documenting the history of the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory. Services include interlibrary loan, photocopying, tours and orientations, reference and research assistance, and library instruction.

The mission of the University Libraries is to provide a dynamic physical and virtual learning environment that supports the intellectual development and creativity of the university community; to offer services that meet the information needs of the university’s faculty, staff and students; to develop and enhance collections of resources that support the university’s research, teaching, learning and service; to collect unique materials of enduring research value to the university and to the larger scholarly community; and to organize, preserve, promote and provide access to all our collections.
Welcome to Cook Library! Cook Library contains the principal collections of books, periodicals, microforms, media, maps and other materials that directly support the instructional programs of The University of Southern Mississippi at all levels. Cook Library has five floors, and most collections are arranged by the Library of Congress Classification system.

CIRCULATION DESK
The circulation desk is located in the main lobby for convenient book checkout and return.

COURSE RESERVES
Course reserve materials can be picked up at the reserves desk, which is adjacent to the circulation desk. The e-reserve system allows students to access their course materials online from both on and off campus.

CURRICULUM MATERIALS CENTER
The Curriculum Materials Center provides resources for elementary and secondary teacher education programs at The University of Southern Mississippi, including state-approved textbooks, a collection of children’s and young adult literature, and a wide variety of materials to support K-12 instruction.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN
Books, articles and other materials not available in the University Libraries can be obtained by interlibrary loan. The ILLiad system allows for fast online delivery of many requested items. Users can check the status of requested items by logging into their ILLiad account through the library website.

LEARNING COMMONS
The Learning Commons has more public computers than any other location on campus, with technical support provided by iTech. The Learning Commons is also home to the Curriculum Materials Center, library assistance desk, library instruction classroom (LIB 110), Speaking Center, Writing Center and Commons Art Gallery. With Starbucks and the Cook Library Art Gallery located nearby, this area is the main hub of activity in Cook Library.

REFERENCE SERVICES
Visit the library assistance desk to ask a question or schedule an in-depth consultation with a librarian. If you are not in the library, please call us or use the online Ask-a-Librarian service. Librarians frequently offer classes and workshops to the campus community. Print reference sources are located in the first floor Learning Commons.

TECHNOLOGY-ENHANCED GROUP STUDY ROOMS AND DESIGNATED QUIET STUDY AREAS
Group study rooms are available in the library on a first-come, first-served basis. Several technology-enhanced group study rooms containing wall-mounted monitors, computers and Internet access are available. Quiet study areas are located on the second and fifth floors of the library.

Research carrels are available for rental at the beginning of each semester. Be sure to reserve your carrel as early as possible.

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Housed in McCain Library, Special Collections offers an exciting variety of historical resources ranging from 15th-century illuminated manuscripts to current Mississippiana, primary source materials from the Civil War to civil rights, and the de Grummond Children’s Literature Collection, one of the leading children’s literature collections in the United States.

ARCHIVES AND MANUSCRIPTS
Primary research material documenting the history and culture of Southern Miss, Hattiesburg and Mississippi
- Civil rights movement
- Politics in the 20th century
- Railroads
- Timber industry

DE GRUMMOND CHILDREN’S LITERATURE COLLECTION
Published books, original manuscripts and illustrations by authors and illustrators of children’s books
- 160,000+ works dating from 1530 to the present
- Exhibits on display
- Fairy tales from around the world
- Historic pop-up books
- Papers of H.A. and Margaret Rey (Curious George), Ezra Jack Keats (The Snowy Day) and many more

DIGITAL COLLECTIONS
Research quality digital collections promoting teaching and scholarship and aiding in preservation of research materials
- Children’s literature
- Editorial cartoons
- Historical manuscripts and photographs
- Maps
- Mississippi Digital Library
- Oral histories
- Rare books
- Southern Miss history

MISSISSIPPIANA/RARE BOOKS
Published materials about Mississippi and rare works of historical value
- Confederate imprints
- Genealogy
- Maps
- Mississippi authors
- Mississippi history
- Printed books from 15th to 21st centuries
- Regional cookbooks
- Southern literature