Welcome to Kumamoto University Library.



Student ID card is available to use the library. You are required to present your student ID card to enter. You need your student ID card to borrow books.

Using Computers and Connecting to the Internet



PC Corner (1F / Active area) PC Room (2F / Keep scilent) You can use the computers. Your Student ID number and password is required to use the computers.

Wireless LAN

You can connect to the Kumamoto University network with their own computers.

Your Kumamoto University Portal user ID and password is required to use this service.

Learning Commons

Learning Commons is on the 1F.

For Kumamoto University members, space designed to be used for group work, discussion and rehearsal of presentation.

Movable desks, whiteboards and projectors are provided.

Reference Desk





Reference services are offered by library staff to help you find information and materials needed for study and research. Please feel free to ask at the reference desk.

Weekday 13:00-16:00 Librarian available.

★ Email form is also available 24 hours a day. Please access our website and click on the

"Ask a Librarian" icon.



http://www.lib.kumamoto-u.ac.jp/eng/database

The Library provides access to over 7,000 journals and databases.

You can use more than 6,000 e-Books (Foreign language).

Please access Kumamoto University Library Website.



Online service "MyLibrary"

MyLibrary provides access to various Kumamoto University Library services on the Web.

http://www.lib.kumamoto-u.ac.jp/eng/mylibrary

- Reserving group study rooms of central library
- Applying for copies of literature and interlibrary loans
- Reserving materials currently checked out
- Viewing the status of materials you are currently borrowing or have reserved
- Renewing materials
- Checking your borrowing history, etc.

Library Teaching Assistant

Library TA (Graduate Student) helps foreign students study in the central library.

Weekday 16:00-19:00 available. @ Reference desk

★ except for spring vacation, summer vacation, and winter vacation. Twitter Follow us @KumadaiLib



Contact us:

Kumamoto University Library Reference section 096-342-2243 densa@lib.kumamoto-u.ac.jp

Foreign Books

In this library, 50,000 foreign books are available.

You will find foreign books in 3 corners in this library.

(1)New Foreign Books (2F)

About 1.200 foreign books are available.



(2) English Readers (B1F Multipurpose Lounge)

About 2,000 foreign books are available.

This corner has many foreign books about Japanese culture, MANGA, Japanese newspaper editorial column, novels written by Haruki Murakami... etc.



③Stacks (B2F)

This corner has many foreign books such as Philosophy, History, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, Technology, Industry, Arts, Language, and Literature.

You may go into the stacks after procedure. You have to fill in the application form "書庫利用票" and give it to the counter staff. Please put your luggage into the locker and wear a neckstrap labeled "書庫利用証(stacks user)".



How to find Library Materials

The collections of the university library are basically classified as books and periodicals (serial publications), and are stored in reading rooms or book stacks. Serial publications that are published on a continuous basis include magazines, newspapers, almanacs, and university journals.

How to Read Call No. Label

The marks and numbers written in the book label are called "call numbers," which indicate the location of the book and the subject of the book. Books are shelved according to the call number order. Please take note of the call number if you find a book you need through Kumamoto University library Online catalog (OPAC+).



Classification of Library Materials

Library materials are shelved from left to right according to classification symbols based on the Nippon Decimal Classification (NDC). NDC is a system of classifying books according to book topic (content and information).

Journals

Journals in B2F Stacks are separated by language (Japanese and other languages) in alphabetical order.

E.g.) The Journal of higher education --> Shelved "J" 熊本大学政策研究 (Kumamoto Daigaku Seisaku Kenkyu) --> Shelved "K"