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Changes to the Libraries' Online System

UCF librarians are working with our colleagues at the other ten Florida state universities to improve Mango, the online catalog that we share. The result will be clearer information about what each university owns and has available for use.

There will be some behind-the-scenes downtime, and some services may be slower. Here are a few things to be aware of during this transition:

- *UBorrow* will be unavailable between **June 15th** and **June 28th**. The UCF Interlibrary Loan Staff will continue to accept your requests, but turnaround time will be slower than usual.
- Self-services, such as *renewals and holds*, will be unavailable between **June 22nd** and **June 28th**.
- *Item availability* will not be displayed between **June 22nd** and **June 28th**.
- Please make every effort to *return or renew your books* before **June 22nd**.

Any questions? Contact us at 407-823-2562. Thank you for your patience as we work to improve the Libraries' services!

Space Crisis at the Main Library

The Hitt Library has a shortage of space for its collections. We add approximately 25,000 titles each year, and the current estimate is that we have enough room for under two years growth. To accommodate future collection growth, as well as students who need study space, we are considering the relocation of some library materials to the shared library facility in Gainesville.

We have developed broad criteria to guide our selection of material for relocation, which have been shared with the faculty members who serve on the Library Advisory Board. Among the items that may be relocated:

- Titles that have not circulated in the past six years
- Out of date textbooks
- Second copies of low use titles
- Out of date study guides
- Outdated materials in time-sensitive disciplines
- Print editions of journals that are reliably available online

Relocation decisions will vary by discipline, and the librarians who serve as liaisons to the academic departments will oversee their areas. Librarians will be in communication with the library liaisons in each department. We look forward to working with you and we value your input throughout this process. Should you have any questions at all, please contact the librarian who is responsible for your discipline. You can find your library liaison on the back of the newsletter.



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