

Dear DU law faculty, staff, students, and other law library users,

Following the Chancellor's strong suggestion that members of the DU community work at home if at all possible, as well as the City and County of Denver's Stay at Home Order, the Westminster Law Library will be closing its physical operations until further notice to keep our staff and our users as safe as possible. Please see the law library website (law.du.edu/library) for updates and more information on how to reach us.

The vast majority of the law library's services will still be available to you remotely during this time. Beginning Tuesday, March 17, the law library will offer:

Reference Services:

Available from 9:00am – 5:00pm on Monday – Friday

- We will closely monitor our regular Live Chat service and LibAnswers service for (help@law-du.libanswers.com) for reference questions.
- We will offer 1-on-1 research consultations through Zoom by appointment – users can make an appointment via LibCal (on the law library website) or the LibAnswers queue.

Faculty Research Service:

- Faculty can request research assistance through our regular LibAnswers queue (facultyhelp@law-du.libanswers.com), which our Faculty Services Librarian (Michelle Penn) will continue to oversee.
- 1-on-1 research consultations will be available through Zoom by appointment – faculty can make an appointment via the LibAnswers queue for the Faculty Research Service.

Access to Electronic Resources:

- We have access to thousands of titles through our online resources.
- All of them are findable using the library catalog (via the "Search" box on the law library website) or the A-Z list of databases (via the "All Library Databases" link from the Quick Links section on the website's left-hand navigational menu).
- Be sure you access these resources through one of these locations so you are given an opportunity to authenticate yourself as a DU Law user. If you use another route, the publisher cannot recognize you as such and may not give you full access.
- If you encounter any issues accessing electronic resources during this time, please contact the law library at help@law-du.libanswers.com for assistance. Our reference team, including our FCIL & Emerging Technologies Librarian (Karina Condra), will be monitoring this queue for any technical issues.

Study Guides:

- The Lexis Digital Library (<https://lexisdigital.com/library/dulaw>) includes electronic access to the full Understanding series and Q&A series of legal study aids.

- We are working with other legal information vendors to secure temporary electronic access to additional study aids and course reserve materials. Please contact the law library at help@law-du.libanswers.com for more specific information.

Interlibrary Loan:

Available from 9:00am – 5:00pm on Monday – Friday

- Users can request materials available electronically through ILL.
- The law library will work with vendors and other libraries to do our best to obtain temporary digital versions of any print materials needed before the law library reopens.

Purchase Recommendations:

- If you have any purchase recommendations during this time for materials that will help facilitate your work, please send them to lawacquisitions@law.du.edu. Our Head of Technical Services (Andi Molinet) will monitor this account and fast-track any such recommendations for our investigation/consideration.

Fines:

- In conjunction with the University Libraries here at DU, we have eliminated all late material fines during the period that all courses are held remotely.

Certificate in Legal Research Program:

- Like all other law school courses, CLR classes will be held remotely during this time.
- For questions about the CLR or any other instructional offerings, please reach out to our Assistant Director (Madeline Cohen) at mcohen@law.du.edu.

Thank you for your patience as we work to serve the needs of an exclusively remote-access community. These are rapidly changing times, so conditions may change with little warning. We will keep you posted on such changes as quickly as we can. If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Best,
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