

Dear DU law students, faculty, & staff,

Welcome back to campus for the spring semester! The Westminster Law Library will reopen its physical space on Thursday, January 14.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, safety protocols remain in place for users of the law library and members of the law library staff. They include strict guidelines for safe use of the space, the use of a seat reservation system, the installation of plexiglass barriers and social distancing markers in high-traffic areas, and a book sanitizing system for circulating materials. For more information or to make a seat reservation, please see the law library's COVID FAQs at <https://libguides.law.du.edu/covidfaqs>.

As a reminder, the Westminster Law Library continues to provide its full range of support for students, faculty, staff, and other users during the coronavirus pandemic. These services will continue to be available remotely:

Reference Services:

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

- If you have a research or reference question, send it to help@law-du.libanswers.com or use the live “Chat with a Librarian” service available from the law library website (<https://www.law.du.edu/library>).
- The law library closely monitors both its reference question queue and its chat service and will respond to questions sent by email within one business day.
- 1-on-1 research consultations are available through Zoom by appointment. Users can request an appointment by emailing help@law-du.libanswers.com.

Certificate in Legal Research Program:

- All CLR classes will be held remotely during the spring semester.
- For questions about the CLR or any other instructional offerings, please see <https://libguides.law.du.edu/clrcertificate> or reach out to the law library's Assistant Director (Professor Madeline Cohen) at mcohen@law.du.edu.

Access to Electronic Resources:

- The law library has access to thousands of titles through its online resources.
- All of these electronic titles 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 the law library's electronic resources through one of these access points so you have an opportunity to authenticate yourself as a DU Law user. If you use another route, the publisher will not recognize you as such and may not give you full access to the electronic resource.
- If you encounter any technical issues accessing electronic resources during this time, please contact the law library at help@law-du.libanswers.com for assistance.

Electronic Study Aids:

- 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.

Curbside Pickup of Library Materials & Print Jobs

- Print materials from the law library, including print jobs from the law library's printers, are available for curbside pickup. You can choose to pick up the materials at the law library door or curbside by the Rick's Center (York & Ashbury).
- For more information or to submit a request for curbside pickup, go to <https://law-du.libwizard.com/f/curbside>.
- For questions about curbside pickup, you can email help@law-du.libanswers.com or reach out to the law library's Head of Access Services (Professor Lewis Zimmerman) at lzimmerman@law.du.edu.
- Note that users can still request print & electronic materials not held in the law library collection through ILL and Prospector and then retrieve them using curbside pickup. There may be delays in obtaining materials due to continuing closures of prominent academic law libraries due to COVID-19, so please try to make ILL and Prospector requests with as much notice as possible.

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. Financial resources are tight during COVID-19, but the Head of Technical Services (Andi Molinet) will monitor this account and fast-track the consideration of such recommendations.

Fines:

- In conjunction with DU's University Libraries, all late material fines are waived for the time being due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This does not apply to fines accrued before the pandemic began.

Faculty Research Service:

- Faculty can request research assistance and 1-on-1 research consultations through Zoom using the regular request queue (facultyhelp@law-du.libanswers.com), which the Faculty Services Librarian (Michelle Penn) continues to oversee.

Thank you for your patience as the law library works to serve your needs in uncertain and rapidly changing times. Ask us anything! We are here for you!

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