Government Documents Internet Use Policy Guidelines Mary & John Gray Library

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Purpose

This policy is in accordance with guidelines set by the Federal Depository Library Program effective January 15, 1999:

All depository libraries must offer the general public free access to online Federal Government information provided through the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP). This follows the same principle of free access that governs the use of traditional depository materials, as provided in Section 1911 of Title 44, *United States Code*. (*Administrative Notes 1/15/99*)

Access to Products

Access to products in the FDLP Electronic Collection is available on all computers located in Gray Library. The link is on the Government Documents web site located on the library web page, which can be accessed externally. A shortcut to the collection is located on the desktop of the computer located in the Government Documents Collection.

User Fees and Restrictions

Gray Library does not charge a library use fee. Computers located in Reference are primarily for university staff, faculty, and student use, but are not limited to this user group. The computer in the Government Documents Collection is available for use by members of the university community and the general public. It is intended solely for assisting with government documents research. Computers are available as long as the library is open. The computer in Government Documents will be available when the department is staffed.

Filtering

Gray Library does not filter software used in accessing official FDLP information.

Security Measures

Patrons are not required to present identification.

Log-in sheets will be used.

Authentication passwords will be used to limit internet users to government information research only.

E-mail, instant messaging, and chat rooms are not permitted on computers located in Reference and the Government Documents Collection.

Patron's Use of Depository Workstation

The workstation located in the Government Documents Collection is for use by both university patrons and the general public.

Fees for Printing and Diskettes

At this time the library does not charge for printing. The library sells diskettes.

Mediation of Use and Access

Computers located in Reference and Media Services are primarily for University patrons and if a student is waiting they will get preference.

The workstation in the Government Documents Collection is for anyone to use for government information purposes only. The computer will be monitored and this restriction enforced.

Users must abide by the university computer use policy and the library's internet use policy.