

Frederick Douglass Library

Print Collections

Frederick Douglass Library (FDL) is a part of the University System of Maryland and Affiliated Institution (USMAI) libraries, and both print collections can be searched via Primo OneSearch. The library also has an extensive electronic collection of ebooks and full-text journal, magazine and newspaper articles that can be accessed from the same platform. The Special Collections Department houses the university's archives, dissertations and theses, and provides online access to UMES yearbooks.

For instructions on how to use Primo OneSearch to borrow from UMES and USMAI Institutions, see the handout Finding Books and Requesting Inter-Campus and Inter-Library Loans.

Name of Collection	Location	Checkout Period
The Stacks (Circulating Collection):		
General Collection – The print collection includes approximately 100,000 volumes arranged by Library of Congress call number. The ebook collection managed by the E-Resources Department totals 290,000 titles and is available via Primo OneSearch and the Databases A-Z list.	2 nd Floor	To end of Semester
Black Collection – Contains fiction and non-fiction books pertaining to African American and African history and culture.	2 nd Floor	To end of Semester
• <u>Juvenile Collection</u> – Shelved directly behind the Black Collection, this fiction and non-fiction collection is primarily for those who work with children and need material written for young readers' interest and reading level. They are not generally sources of first-hand information (primary sources), nor do they usually contain original research material.	2 nd Floor	To end of Semester
Leisure Reading Collection – Contains fiction titles that have been donated by the librarians of the Frederick Douglass Library.	2 nd Floor	To end of Semester

Name of Collection	Location	Checkout
Reference Collection (Non-circulating):		
Reference Collection – The print collection includes standard reference materials, such as bibliographies, dictionaries, directories, encyclopedias, handbooks and manuals, indexes and abstracts, biographical sources, atlases, yearbooks and almanacs. Online sources can be found on the Reference Sources guide available from the Databases by Subject tab and by keyword searching in Primo OneSearch.	1 st Floor	In-Library Use Only & Online
Reference Maryland – Includes information about the state of Maryland and many of its counties, as well as numerous resources related to the laws and history of the state.	1 st Floor	In-Library Use Only

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Serials & E-Resources Collection (Non-circulating):		
Periodicals (Serials) – The print collection is comprised of about 100 magazine, scholarly journal, newspaper and newsletter titles. The electronic collection is extensive and can be accessed using keyword searching or the Journal Search tab in Primo OneSearch, as well as the Databases A-Z tab	Lower Level	In-Library Use Only & Online
• Newspapers — Only several titles are held in print, like <i>The New York Times</i> Sunday edition, and kept for the current month. For online local, regional and national newspapers use the Newspaper Search in Primo OneSearch and the Newspapers and Current Events guide available on the Databases by Subject tab.	Lower Level	In-Library Use Only & Online
• Government Documents – Government documents are issued by the United States federal government or one of its branches, as well as by state and local governments. To find online government documents, (1) search the library catalog via Primo OneSearch to link to full-text sources; or (2) access the GPO Monthly database from the Databases A-Z list; or (3) search the State Publications Depository & Distribution Program website.		Online Only

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Multimedia Collection:		
<u>Multimedia</u> – Physical collection is comprised of videos, DVDs, slides and CDs on a broad range of topics. For video streaming, use Kanopy managed by the E-Resources Department and available from the Databases A-Z list.	Lower Level & Online	In-Library by Appt.

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Special Collections/Archives (Non-circulating):		
• <u>Special Collections</u> – Housed in two temperature-controlled rooms, this collection includes rare books, manuscripts, theses and dissertations, as well as university history and archival material.	2 nd Floor	In-Library Use Only
Special Black Collection – Contains one-of-a-kind, irreplaceable or historically valuable books by and about Africans and African Americans.	2 nd Floor	In-Library Use Only
<u>University Archives</u> – Contains the documentary records of the university, including official publications, reports, photographs, tape recordings, minutes, art objects, yearbooks, programs, graduation lists, etc. relating to the history of the institution. It also includes old UMES annuals and theses and dissertations of UMES alumni.	2 nd Floor	In-Library by Appt.
The archives also house the papers of past presidents, local families, Metropolitan Church records, Delaware Conference Annual Reports, retired professors' papers and other material related to the university's relationship with individuals and agencies. Note: UMES yearbooks (1959 to 2009) are available online from the Special Collections website.		Online Yearbooks
• Eastern Shore Manuscript Collection – Features the papers of public figures, as well as the social life, history and customs of the Eastern Shore.	2 nd Floor	In-Library by Appt.