

RESOURCES AND SERVICES

JAMES A. ROGERS LIBRARY

The Library serves the pursuit of excellence in teaching and learning by providing Francis Marion's students, faculty, staff and regional citizens with access to scholarly information. By providing this access, the Library is able to contribute uniquely to that portion of the mission of Francis Marion University that stresses its support of scholarly pursuits in the Pee Dee region of South Carolina. Rogers Library is the largest library in northeastern South Carolina, and its holdings include more than 398,000 volumes, 343,000 accessible e-books, 35,000 e-journals, 550 print subscriptions, 377,000 volumes of microforms, and 142 electronic databases to access information from almost anywhere.

COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

In addition to administrative support, Campus Technology provides information, technology resources and services for instructional and research missions of the University. The department provides digital content, access to that content, and guidance for its use through public computer laboratories and support in the Stanton Academic Computer Center and the John K. Cauthen Educational Media Center.

These laboratories are open to all enrolled students, faculty, staff, and active alumni at FMU. Access to the laboratories requires a valid University ID Card. In addition, most academic departments have their own student computer laboratories distributed across campus. Students must supply their own CDs or flash drives for saving their data. The most commonly used computer software is the Microsoft (MS) Office Suite (Word, Excel, Access, and PowerPoint), but other specialized programs may be available for use in the public computer laboratories. The software and documents available are copyrighted products and may not be reproduced in part or in whole, for any purpose. Internet Explorer, Firefox and Safari are available for web browsing.

Email for Students – All currently enrolled students are provided a SwampFoxMail email account. These accounts are powered by Google and come with all of the current Google applications. Assigned email accounts can be obtained by logging into Swampfox Web. FMU will utilize SwampFoxMail accounts to communicate with students.

Emergency Alerts – The Swampfox Emergency Alert System has been adopted by FMU in order to quickly notify students via SMS text messaging (standard text messaging rates apply) and email in the event of an imminent campus emergency. All students who provide a cellphone number and cellphone carrier will be automatically added to our notification system. In addition to being notified of an imminent campus emergency, students will also receive notifications regarding other situations that affect the status of the campus like weather-related class or school closings.

MEDIA CENTER

The Cauthen Educational Media Center is dedicated to improving teaching and learning opportunities by providing non-print resources, technological support, media-equipped teaching, and conference facilities for the faculty, students, and staff of FMU. The Center supports academic

programs by providing study facilities and instructional space in addition to a computer laboratory in the Resource Area, supplying and maintaining media equipment, scheduling media-equipped classrooms, providing production facilities, and hosting campus and community activities. The Dooley Planetarium is located on the second floor of the media center.

MATH RESOURCES

The Department of Mathematics has a computer lab for use as a resource center for mathematical work. The computers contain mathematical software such as MAPLE, MINITAB, EXCEL, and GEOMETER'S SKETCHPAD for students in the areas of mathematics and probability and statistics.

WRITING CENTER

The FMU Writing Center is available to help all students improve their writing abilities and acquire the skills needed to succeed at writing tasks in academic and professional communities. English Department faculty consultants and trained student consultants provide one-on-one assistance on a wide range of writing tasks and projects, including research papers for all disciplines, literary analyses, creative writing, lab reports, resumes, business letters, and graduate school applications. Students are invited to meet with a consultant at any stage of the writing process for guidance on generating a topic, building an argument, incorporating research, revising a draft, or learning about grammatical errors.

The Writing Center offers more than 40 hours of face-to-face and online tutoring services each week. To meet with a tutor, please book an appointment at www.fmarion.edu/academics/wcenter, call 843-661-1528, or visit the Writing Center in Founders Hall 114-C. Writing Center consultants are also available for drop-in appointments on weekday evenings in the Tutoring Center, located in the Leatherman Science Facility.

TUTORING CENTER

The Tutoring Center is a free service available to all students. Located in the Leatherman Science Facility, Room L107, the Tutoring Center offers students the opportunity to seek assistance in all academic areas from trained peer tutors. Assistance is available to students on a walk-in basis from 12-8 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

The Career Development Office supports the educational goals of the University mission statement by providing a comprehensive, educational approach to career development and preparation as a life skill. Specialized services, programs, and strategies are designed and targeted for FMU students and alumni.

The Career Development Office develops and maintains relationships both internally (faculty and staff) and externally (business and community) and plays an integral role in the activities of these sources to facilitate the blending of academic, personal and career development of students, while providing a link for students to the world of work.

A state-of-the-art resume referral service is available to students and