Service standards are important for customers, workers and management of an organization. They help define customer expectations and remind of the challenges and responsibilities to be met.

Below is a set of customer service standards to be followed by all library staff to add positive customer experience at FNU Library.

- 1. Always remember that the first impression is the last impression.
- 2. Greet the customers in polite, courteous and respectful/professional manner for example:
 - Greeting Students: Good morning/Good afternoon how may I help you. Address them by their names if you know them.
 - Greeting Academic/Support Staff: Good morning/Good afternoon sir/madam how may assist you.
- 3. Remind yourself to keep smiling when greeting the customers.
- 4. Listen effectively to your customers.
- 5. Do not interrupt customer's sentence.
- 6. You shall show attention to the customer when they are speaking.
- 7. Avoid staring at the customer instead observe the customer and offer assistance.
- 8. Be polite when talking to a customer and use positive words and phrases such as; May I/Shall I, Certainly...
- 9. Be conscious with your communication style that is clear voice, eye contact when speaking to someone and tone of voice shall be friendly.
- 10. Always explain the process to customers to ensure customers understand our processes and procedures.
- 11. Be considerate, cooperative and helpful to every staff member to deliver quality services.
- 12. Respond to customers request accurately and promptly, always do the right job the first time.
- 13. Work with coworkers and other departments to resolve issues by discussing problems and working towards agreed solutions.
- 14. Close the conversation with the customer in a courteous and professional way by thanking the customer using their name.
- 15. Always say 'thank you', 'please', 'you are welcome', 'hope to see you again' and have a good day'.
- 16. Hold yourself and each other responsible for quality service commitment.
- 17. Understand what the customer needs and meet their needs by providing excellent customer service.
- 18. Show that you sincerely care about the customer so they shall come back and your relationship will continue improving.
- 19. Respond to all your emails, phone calls or queries during your shift.
- 20. Take ownership of the mistake you make, apologize and solve the problem.
- 21. Ensure that every encounter with the customer goes well.
- 22. Customer will forget what you said, but they will never forget how you made them feel.

