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WELCOME BY THE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN

Bula and welcome to the Fiji National University Library, where you will find smart spaces for everything you need to learn.

Libraries at FNU serve as hubs for community connections to services, including broadband, computers, classes, and programs, as well as to books, movies, and other media. Importantly, libraries connect us to each other.

The FNU Library offers a blended service for engaging, high-quality learning and discovery. We provide ongoing improvised virtual and physical learning, teaching, and research access to support in-person and

digital formats. You can access many of our resources digitally; our libraries are open for in-person visits.



NEW ARRIVALS

The Library continues to add quality, relevant and exciting new resources to its collections. [Click Here to View New Arrivals](#)

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YOUR FNU LIBRARY

Did you know FNU has 16 libraries across Fiji?



Visit your different libraries and your User Engagement Librarian (UEL)!

Visit and communicate with the User Engagement Librarian on all FNU campuses for Information Literacy Education (ILE). The User Engagement Librarians on all FNU campuses are your go-to resource for specific subjects or courses, such as reviewing citation styles, researching design justice, and learning about patents, among other things.



DONATIONS

Books donated by the Asia Foundation Pacific Islands Office Regional

The library gratefully acknowledges the receipt of a generous gift and valuable resources of 574 books [94] Titles from the Asia Pacific Foundation to support the Fiji National University Library's goal of building a good range of reading resources for Business, Economics, Finance and Fiction disciplines. The books we have received will contribute to our students' valuable source of

knowledge and thus enrich their learning journey.

The Asia Pacific Foundation's continuous support for books over the years is highly remarkable, and libraries appreciate the benevolent donor's continuous support towards the Fiji National University.

USER ENGAGEMENT SERVICES

The Fiji National University (FNU) is dedicated to supporting students and staff in their academic pursuits through various means, including information literacy sessions.

The User Engagement Librarian conducts these sessions to enhance students' learning, teaching, and research abilities. Information literacy sessions at FNU are designed to equip students and staff with the skills to locate, evaluate, and effectively use information from various sources. The User Engagement Librarian conducts these sessions at each campus and is responsible for promoting information literacy among the FNU community.

The sessions are usually held in the library and at ICT labs, and they cover topics such as database searching, citation styles, plagiarism, and academic integrity. One of the ways the User Engagement Librarian supports learning is by offering tailored sessions for individual courses. The librarian works with course coordinators



to identify their courses' specific information literacy needs and develops sessions to address them.

The User Engagement Librarian also supports teaching by conducting sessions for lecturers on incorporating information literacy into their teaching. These sessions help lecturers design assignments requiring students to use information literacy skills, such as locating and evaluating sources. These sessions are aimed at both students and staff and are designed to enhance their research abilities.

Information Literacy Training



Quarterly Information Literacy Training Statistics for January- March, 2023

College	Database Training		RefWorks	Endnote	Turnitin	OPAC
	Student	Staff				
CHE	719	6	720	7	721	719
CAFF	250	3	250	20	250	250
CEST	251	1	280	50	251	280
CBHTS	10	1	10	1	10	100
CMNHS	270	8	250	20	270	270

FNU LIBRARY ENHANCES SUCCESS AND ENGAGEMENT THROUGH EXTENDED HOURS AND VIBRANT EVENTS



Fostering Relationships and Empowering Individuals

At the FNU Library, we believe that our success lies in the strength of our relationships and our ability to foster and sustain them. We are dedicated to employing user experience techniques that meet the needs of our students and staff and cultivate a sense of belonging and empowerment for all individuals.

As a trusted partner in research, teaching, and learning, our aim is to provide valuable services and resources that enhance the educational experience for our students and staff. Our strategic goal is to support open research and create physical and digital spaces that foster disruptive, creative, and innovative thinking while allowing for personalised learning.

Extended Hours for Student Success

In line with our commitment to student success, the FNU Library has extended its operating hours to assist students during their exam preparations. From 15 May to 16 June 2023, we have gone the extra mile to ensure that students have access to the best facilities and resources they need. The Lautoka, Nasinu, Samabula, and Pasifika libraries have extended their hours until 11 pm, while the Nadi, Labasa, FSN, and FSM libraries have extended their hours until 10pm. We prioritise the needs of our FNU students and are dedicated to supporting their continuous learning, teaching, and research.

At the FNU Library, we are committed to enhancing success, engagement, and a sense of belonging within our library community. Through our extended hours, engaging events, and dedication to fostering relationships, we strive to provide our students and staff a valuable and empowering experience.

LIBRARY WEBINARS & TRAININGS

Webinar Series



Date	Name of the webinar	Topic	Speaker
13/4/2023	ClinicalKey onsite and zoom	ClinicalKey Student Medicine, Dentistry, Physiotherapy, Pharmacy and Nursing	Ms Heather Anderson
21/4/2023	HeinOnline	Harnessing the power of HeinOnline (Genealogy)	Steve Roses
16/5/2023	Wiley Webinar	Wiley Online Library	Ms Autumn Tay
16/5/2023	Science Direct	Lunchtime Open Door Session	Amanda Robertson, Nicole Godfrey, Sally Murray Walsh
23/5/2023	Japan Economic Outlook	Stumbling Forward	Stefan Augrick
23/5/2023	Newest ASTM	Newest ASTM Compass Features	Mr Mark Reese and Greg Crone
25/5/2023	Emerald Publishing & Platform	Emerald Publishing and addition in the collection.	Mr Gino Erispe and Tim Clynes.

CMNHS Onsite Training: Clinical Key Student



The visit of Ms Heather Anderson, a Clinical Key trainer, to the CMNHS (College of Medicine, Nursing, and Health Sciences) campus library in early May 2023 had several positive impacts on the students and staff.

Heather Anderson's visit provided students and staff with specialised knowledge of the Clinical Key database. Onsite training by Heather Anderson at the CMNHS campus library provided hands-on guidance, enhancing trainees' understanding and utilisation of the Clinical Key database. The option for individuals who couldn't attend the onsite training to join

remotely via Zoom allowed for greater accessibility and inclusivity.

This ensured that a larger number of students and staff could benefit from the training, regardless of their physical presence at the library. Not only did she conduct training, but Heather Anderson delivered donated books to the University Librarian, demonstrating a commitment to supporting library resources and enriching collection. She later visited the Nursing School Library to conduct training for nursing students. Heather Anderson tailored nursing training for students, ensuring relevance to their field and enhancing effectiveness and value.

Heather Anderson's visit and campus activities improved CMNHS community knowledge and skills in the Clinical Key database through onsite training, remote participation, and targeted sessions.



LIBRARY EVENTS Easter Celebration

Easter is a Christian holiday that celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, as described in the New Testament. It is considered the most important and oldest festival of the Christian Church. Easter is observed on different dates yearly, usually falling on the first Sunday after the first full moon following the vernal equinox. The celebrations were held from the 7th to the 10th April.

Celebrating Easter in Library was a unique and creative way to incorporate the festive spirit into an educational environment. The library had a place decorated with materials highlighting the significance of Easter to bring cultural diversity and inclusivity into an educational environment while also promoting the importance of learning about different cultures and traditions.

OHS Modules I and II Training

- ✦ Sangeeta Singh - Attended on 4th to 6th of April 2023 at Nabua Campus
- ✦ Dhan Kumar - Attended on 4th to 6th of April 2023 at Nabua Campus

Disability Awareness workshop - 22 June 2023

- ✦ The nominated staff attended a Disability Awareness workshop.

Customer Service Training

- ✦ Customer service training is a valuable process that equips employees with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes required to deliver exceptional customer service. Effective customer service training ensures that employees understand the importance of customer satisfaction, know how to handle various customer interactions, and effectively resolve issues or address concerns.
Two sessions were conducted on below dates:

- (1) 19 May 2023 - Central Staff (face to face)
- (2) 20 June 2023 - Central Staff (face to face) Western & Labasa (Zoom)



Eid Celebration

Eid al-Fitr is an Islamic festival that marks the end of Ramadan, the holy month of fasting when Muslims fast from dawn to dusk each day.

Eid al-Fitr was celebrated on 2/04/2023 during the first three days of Shawwal, which is the tenth month in the Muslim (lunar) calendar. This means that the timing of Eid al-Fitr (and Ramadan) is different every year as it is based on the lunar cycle. It does not begin until the new moon is seen, which means it starts at different times for Muslims worldwide. However, some Muslims choose to celebrate Eid al-Fitr when the new moon first appears over Mecca instead of their own locations. Muslims around the world perform communal prayer at daybreak on the first day of Eid al-Fitr, after cleansing themselves and donning new clothes. They then continue to celebrate for three days. A common greeting during Eid al-Fitr is “Eid Mubarak,” which means “Blessed Eid.” This greeting is used to wish other Muslims well during Eid.



National Library Week

National Library Week is an annual celebration observed from 23 April – 29 April to promote the importance of libraries and library services in communities. It typically takes place during the second week of April and serves as an opportunity to recognise the contributions of libraries, librarians, and library workers.

National Library Week serves as a reminder of libraries’ vital role in society. It encourages people to utilise library resources, attend library programs, and support their local libraries. The week’s activities aim to promote literacy, education, and community involvement, fostering a love for reading and lifelong learning.



Celebrating Cultural Heritage: Girit Day and Ratu Sukuna Day

On 15 May and 29, the FNU Library commemorated Girit Day and Ratu Sukuna Day across all 16 campuses. Our libraries hosted engaging book displays to create awareness and celebrate these important cultural events. The Nasinu Campus took centre stage, showcasing our remarkable collection and outstanding exhibition. We were thrilled to engage with our library users and promote the richness of our resources and services.



Empowering Women: Mother's Day Celebration

In recognition of the remarkable women employees of the FNU Library, we held a special Mother's Day celebration. Through captivating displays, we expressed our respect and appreciation for their invaluable contributions to our institution. This event aimed to raise awareness and foster an environment of equality and recognition.



Honouring Local Authors: World Book Copyright Day

As strong advocates for literacy and the appreciation of local talent, the FNU Library celebrated World Book Copyright Day. We paid tribute to our exceptional local authors on this special occasion and encouraged a love for books and local publications. Our library serves as a gateway to diverse literary works, inspiring our students and staff to explore the world through literature.

PAST EVENTS

The library is pleased to inform you that there was a library Informative sessions on:

3 JULY

Library Informative Session by Mark Halabe

6 JULY

Webinar: Practical tips for addressing AI writing in the classroom (Free PD for educator)

14 JULY

Library Informative Session by Seema Shandil

18 JULY

Webinar - Designing assessment to deter student misconduct and contract cheating



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The Department of Library Services is pleased to inform as a member of the association signed a new agreement with the **EUROPEAN RESPIRATORY SOCIETY**

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