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### **WELCOME**

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 that is essential for engaging, high-quality learning and discovery. We provide ongoing improvised virtual and physical learning, teaching, and research access to support both in-person and digital formats. You can access many of our resources digitally, and our libraries are open for in-person visits.



### Did you know FNU has 16 Libraries across Fiji?

The User Engagement Librarians are here to serve as your guiding lights for a wide range of subject-specific and course-related queries. Need assistance with citation styles, embarking on research for design justice. Look no further! FNU's User Engagement Librarians are ready and eager to assist.

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### **Key Dates**

**1. Revised library** operating hours

## Donations

### Books donated by the Republic of China Embassy

The FNU Library gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the generous gift of 16 books from the Republic of China Embassy which will be a valuable resource to support the Fiji National University Library's goal of building a good range of reading resources.

The books we have received will contribute to our students' valuable source of knowledge while enriching their journey in learning.

This book published in September 2014 collects 79 important works by the President of the Republic of China, Xi Jinping from 15 November 2012 to 13 June 2014 including his addresses, talks, speeches, answers to questions, instructions, congratulation letters and others that are classified into 18 topics, gaining wide attention and applause among domestic and overseas readers.



### 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. These sessions are conducted by the User Engagement Librarian 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. These sessions are conducted by the User Engagement Librarian at each campuses, who 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 the specific information literacy needs of their courses and develops sessions for lecturers on how to incorporate information literacy into their teaching. These sessions help lecturers design assignments that require 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.

Library staff training on **Statistical Tools SPSS and on EVIEW Software**, was conducted on July 5, 2023, by Academic staff, Mr Asaeli Tuibeqa and Ms Radhika Ram for staff to enhance and develop their professional skills as well as understand **Data-Driven Decision Making**. Training staff in skills related to statistical tools equip them with skills to analyse this data, enabling evidence-based decision-making for resource allocation, collection development, and programme planning. Furthermore, to improve **User Engagement: By understanding user preferences and behaviours through data analysis**, Library Staff can tailor market and outreach efforts to target specific demographics, leading to increased patron engagement and participation in library activities.

# Information Jeracy Data

# Table 1: Below is the data for the trainingconducted in the month of July.

Information Literacy Training Statistics for July 2023							
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College	Student	Staff	RefWorks	EndNote	Turnitin	OPAC	Total
CEST	110	-	110	1	79	79	379
CAFF	30	-	30	1	30	30	121
CHE	118	2	118	0	118	118	474
CBHTS	137	5	142	0	0	137	421
CMNHS	90	3	93	10	90	90	376
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# Table 2: Below is the data for the training conducted in themonth of August.

Information Literacy Training Statistics for August, 2023							
College	Database Training		Defit(erlas	En dittata	<b>—</b>	0010	<b>T</b>
	Student	Staff	RefWorks	EndNote	Turnitin	OPAC	Total
CEST	60	3	60	0	60	60	243
CAFF	38	2	38	20	38	38	174
CHE	149	19	149	149	149	149	764
CBHTS	284	4	284	1	0	284	572
CMNHS	149	6	149	4	149	149	606
							2359

# Table 3: Below is the data for the trainingconducted in the month of September.

Information Literacy Training Statistics for September 2023							
College	Database Student	Training Staff	RefWorks	EndNote	Turnitin	Referencing Training	Total
CEST	51	1	51	1	51	51	206
CAFF	70	7	70	10	70	70	287
CHE	73	3	89	0	89	89	343
CBHTS	70	3	57	13	57	57	73
CMNHS	50	37	50	5	50	50	242
							1151

	Reference Queries						
College	Total no. of reference queries attended	Types of reference queries attended					
CEST	71	Straight and Direct questions needed for a topic, Ready reference questions with reference-to-reference materials, Advisor questions - on Librarian's opinion on the available informatic sources, Bibliographic verifications.					
CAFF	250 Database, RefWorks, Endnote, Papercut, Directional infor Academic advice on cross credit, Editing assistance on pa final submission.						
CHE	12	Database, RefWorks and journal article search					
СВНТЅ	7	<ol> <li>Requesting assistance in obtaining the softcopy of the book titled Creative Accounting, Fraud, and International Accounting Scandals by Michael J Jones</li> <li>EndNote videos request.</li> <li>PPT for the RefWorks Registration.</li> <li>textbook on Green Investment or Green Economy.</li> <li>Journal article search</li> </ol>					
CMNHS 260		Database, RefWorks, Endnote query-delete etc, PPT class assessment, Article request, Book request, Turnitin request, request on Article Processing Charges list for CHE, CMNHS, webinar registration request, Library Online Portal-Lib Page, Banner wordings, Open Day request, Fire Warden request, Directional information, webinar request, Accessing library webpage, Merge paper submission on Scopus, Mendeley Training request-Dean CMNHS, Team request as per college-Banner Leave etc, HR request, Orientation request, Paper Cut request,					
Total	517						

### **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 not only meet the needs of our students and staff but also 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.

### **Library Webinars**

Fiji National University Library organised webinars sessions for students, teachers, and the community about the Library's resources, services, and events. Webinars make information more accessible to individuals who may have difficulty visiting a physical library.

Webinar Series					
Date	Webinar Training	Trainer			
Sept 13/19/ 28	Endnote 21	Jimmy McColery			
Sept 15	Lexis Advance training	Carolyn Freeman			
Sept 21	HeinOnline	Tim Hooge			
Sept 20	STATA training	Ramneek Gounder			

### **Library Information Session**

The Library organised Informative Session by Mr Mark Halabe on 3 July on the topic "Integrating and Enhancing Quality Initiatives for Academic Libraries" and another Library Informative Session was held on 14 July featuring Ms Seema Shandil who spoke on the topic "Enablers and Pillars for Customer Service to Enhance Student Experience for Academic Libraries." To enable and enhance learning, advance quality, achieve productivity, and meet the strategic functions of the department and FNU as a whole, the FNU Library aims to deliver informative sessions through industry experts that bring out the best in employees. As an academic library, it aims to continually evolve in response to changes in technology, information, and University Policies to meet the educational responsibility. However, to meet these challenges, there is a need to train and develop the professionals within the department to successfully plan and execute the vision.



The University Librarian, **Dr Udya Shukla**, took part in the Talk Back Show on Radio Fiji 2 on 16 August 2023 to provide highlights on essential FNU library services for FNU users and the wider community.



#### Library Events

On 9 August, the Fiji National University (FNU) libraries transformed into vibrant hubs of literary celebration as they marked the auspicious occasion of National Book Day. This initiative aimed at not only creating awareness but also fostering a deep love for literacy and reading within the FNU user community. National Book Day serves as a collective appreciation of the written word and the tremendous efforts of authors, publishers, and readers who tirelessly contribute to the enchanting world of books. It's a day to cherish the magic that unfolds when a book is opened, and its pages come to life.

The FNU Library is excited to celebrate International Literacy Day on September 8 with the rest of the world and is dedicated to advancing literacy and education. Our display serves as evidence of our commitment to this cause. Literacy is more than just the ability to read and write; it is a key that opens doors and empowers people to confidently travel around the world. It enables people to actively participate in their communities, pursue lifelong learning, and make a positive impact on the development and prosperity of societies.

FNU Library has taken a step forward to create awareness and reduce the stigma surrounding mental health issues and suicide. Library has done display on World Suicide Prevention Day as this day aims to reduce the stigma surrounding mental health issues and suicide, educate the public about risk factors and warning signs, and encourage communities and individuals to take action to prevent suicide.



FNU Library celebrated Hindi Day on 14 September each year to mark the adoption of Hindi as the official language of India in 1949. This decision was a momentous step in preserving and promoting India's linguistic heritage. This day holds special significance because it marks the adoption of Hindi as one of the official languages of India. The library conducted a display on Hindi Day to create awareness of linguistic heritage and the importance of languages in preserving culture and promote the use of Hindi as a means of communication and cultural expression.

#### Sustainability Week (25-29 September)

The Sustainability week was marked from 25-29 September 2023, as stipulated in the FNU Sustainability Plan 2021-2026. The FNU Libraries created awareness by displays and information for the library user to know the importance of sustainability, climate change and global warming.











#### **KEY DATES**

Upcoming Events

Webinar Series

5 October – 5 December

**3-month Free Trial of HeinOnline** 

**Roxanne Marmion** 

#### **NEW ARRIVALS**

The library continues to add quality, relevant and exciting new resources to its collections.

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