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WELCOME TO THE FIJI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY LIBRARY NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Greetings and welcome to the Fiji National University (FNU) Library, where intelligent spaces are designed to support your learning journey. The FNU libraries serve as vital community hubs, offering not just books and academic materials, but also high-speed broadband, computers, training sessions, and interactive programs. More than just a place for research, our libraries foster connections linking students, educators, and researchers in a shared pursuit of knowledge.

With a commitment to blended learning, the FNU Library ensures seamless access to both physical and digital resources. Whether visiting in person or engaging with our extensive e-library collection, students can explore a wealth of academic materials, research databases, and multimedia content.

As the semester progresses, we encourage all students to fully utilize the library's services, from quiet study zones to expert research assistance. Whether you're seeking knowledge, collaboration, or inspiration "FNU Library is here to support your success"!

Dr Udya Shukla **University Librarian**



NEW ARRIVALS

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

FIJI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY LIBRARY LAUNCHES FNU.IR:

A Historic First for Research

Library Services is delighted to announce the historic launch of FNUIR. The Fiji National University's first-ever institutional repository, powered by DSpace. This significant achievement, spearheaded by the FNU Library, marks a pivotal moment in our commitment to open access, knowledge sharing, and the preservation of the university's invaluable research output.

FNU.IR provides a centralized and easily accessible platform for the Fiji National

University staff, students and scholars to discover and engage with a rich collection of scholarly resources, including research papers, theses, dissertations and book/chapters.

By making these resources freely available, FNUIR will amplify the impact of FNU's research, foster academic collaboration, and drive innovation. As the first initiative of its kind in FNU's history, the launch of this repository underscores the library's commitment to advancing research and scholarship.

Explore FNUIR: https://fnuir.fnu.ac.fj/home

The FNU Library invites researchers, students, and faculty to explore this invaluable resource and contribute their work further enriching the university's growing knowledge base.

"Upcoming Webinars & Trainings" Tab Now Live On Fnu Library Website!

The FNU Library is thrilled to introduce a new feature on our website dedicated "Upcoming Webinars & Trainings" tab! This centralized hub will keep FNU students and staff informed about valuable professional and academic development opportunities.

Now, with just a few clicks, you can access:

- A comprehensive list of upcoming webinars and training sessions
 - Detailed event information—including dates,

times, topics, and speakers

• Direct links for quick and easy registration

How to Find It:

- Visit the FNU Library website: https://www.fnu.ac.fj/library/digital-library/
- Look for the "Upcoming Webinars & Trainings" tab in the navigation menu
- Click to explore the latest learning opportunities

Did you know FNU has 16 libraries across Fiji?

Know your Libraries Operating Hours:



On March 13th, EBSCOHost marketing representative Ms. Heather Anderson visited the FNU Library and provided a live demonstration to the User Engagement Librarians (UELs) on the upgraded platform, highlighting the inclusion of a new feature—PICOT.

https://connect.ebsco.com/s/article/Using-PICOT-Search-in-EBSCO-Discovery-Service-and-EBSCOhost?language=en_US

Visit the link for the PICOT guide.

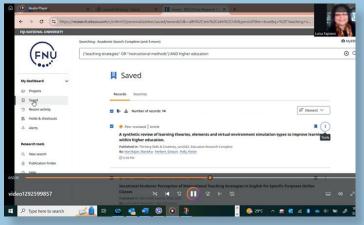


UserEngagementServices:

The Fiji National University (FNU) remains committed to empowering students and staff with essential research and academic skills through information literacy sessions. Conducted by the User Engagement Librarians across all campuses, these sessions are designed to enhance learning, teaching, and research capabilities within the university community.

Information literacy sessions provide students and staff with the skills needed to locate, evaluate, and effectively use information from various sources. These sessions, held in library spaces and ICT labs, cover crucial academic topics such as database searching, citation styles, plagiarism awareness, and academic integrity.

User Engagement Librarians (UELs) extend their support to students and staff beyond regular working hours, engaging with them not only from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM but also in the evenings from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. They offer assistance through both in-person classroom sessions and virtual online classes, ensuring accessibility and convenience for all learners.



This flexibility reflects the training team's dedication to accommodating students' needs, fostering an environment that promotes quality learning and academic success. Their commitment to adapting to diverse schedules underscores the library's essential role in supporting lifelong learning and research excellence.

By strengthening information literacy, FNU continues to foster academic excellence and research competency, ensuring students and staff are well-prepared for their educational and professional journeys.

Journal Donation Strengthens Library's Academic Resources

The FNU Library proudly received a generous donation of 18 academic journals during the launch of the Pacific Center for Border Management and Security Building and Programme. The donation was officially handed over by Professor David Widdowson, CEO of the Center for Customs and Excise Studies at Charles Sturt University, Australia, and was gratefully received by Dr. Asaeli Tamanitoakula

Tuibeqa, Dean of the College of Business, Hospitality & Tourism Studies (CBHTS). This contribution enriches the library's collection, providing valuable resources for students and researchers in the fields of border security, trade facilitation, and customs management. The FNU Library extends its appreciation for this support, reinforcing its commitment to academic excellence and resource accessibility.



LIBRARY EVENTS

i) (January 24th- International Day of Education):

The library organized a special display to promote and raise awareness about the significance of education in shaping a better future. The display aimed to highlight the importance of accessible, inclusive, and quality education for all, emphasizing its role in empowering individuals, fostering innovation, and driving social progress.



ii) 2nd February to 8th February - International Development Week:

From February 2nd to February 8th, during International Development Week, the library organized a display to promote and raise awareness about global development efforts. The display highlighted key themes such as poverty reduction, sustainability, gender equality, education, and economic growth, showcasing the vital role of international cooperation in building a more just and equitable world.



iii) 1st February- National Freedom Day:

On National Freedom Day, the library displayed the resources to promote and raise awareness about the significance of freedom, equality, and justice. The display highlighted the historical importance of the day. Through carefully selected books, articles, and visual exhibits, the initiative aimed to educate visitors about the ongoing struggle for civil rights, the value of liberty, and the importance of upholding democratic principles in society.



iv) Cancer Awareness Month-1st February -29th February:

The FNU Libraries recently organized a cancer awareness display to educate and inform students, staff, and the wider university community about the importance of early detection, prevention, and support for those affected by cancer. The display highlighted key information on different types of cancer, screening methods, and healthy lifestyle choices that can help reduce risks. By providing access to informational resources, books, and research materials, the library aims to empower individuals with knowledge and encourage proactive health measures. This initiative underscores the FNU Library's commitment to promoting health awareness and fostering a well-informed community.

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v) International Mother language Day:

The FNU libraries did a display on International Mother Language Day which is observed on February 21st each year to promote linguistic and cultural diversity and multilingualism.



vi) International Women's Day:

The FNU library did a display on International Women's Day (IWD) celebrated on the 8th of March as a worldwide celebration of women's social, economic, cultural, and political achievements. It also serves as a call to action to accelerate gender equality.



vii) World Poetry Day:

The FNU libraries did a display on World Poetry Day observed on March 21st to create awareness to promote the importance of poetry, support linguistic diversity through poetic expression, and encourage creative writing and reading poetry around the world.



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viii) Holi:

The FNU libraries celebrated Holi on 15th of March. It's best known for its bright colors. People gather in crowds to pelt each other with perfumed, colored powder called gulal. They'll also use water pistols and water balloons to make the powder stick.



We encourage you to check this tab regularly for updates on upcoming events! If you have suggestions for future webinar or training topics, feel free to reach out at fnulibrary@fnu.ac.fj.

Stay informed, stay engaged, and make the most of these valuable learning experiences!

KEY DATES

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dates	Name of the Event
7th – 11th April 2025 Time: 8am –4.30pm	Free Nursing & Medical Books Giveaway
07 Apr 2025 - 11 Apr 2025	WIPO Copyright Committee (46th Session)

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