

The following recommendations are the result of two surveys the Biological and Physical Sciences Library Strategic Planning Task Force. We invite your comments.

Biological and Physical Sciences Library Strategic Planning Task Force Recommendations

The Biological and Physical Sciences Library Strategic Planning Task Force met on Monday, February 25 and discussed the feedback the group has been gathering from colleagues relating to library resources, services, space, and service expectations. The following concerns are ranked in order of importance under each category:

Library Resources

- Purchase more content in electronic format rather than print.
- Further supplement access to content by purchasing archives and backfiles of journal titles in electronic format.
- Review print journal collections and purchase the electronic version of these titles when available.

Library Services

- Simplify Library Web pages and make searching more intuitive with straightforward access to electronic resources.
- Encourage collection managers and selectors to create Web subject guides/portals that offered more direct links to journals and databases in specific subject areas.
- Provide UF departments and colleges with new title list sorted by subject areas on a regular basis.

Library Space

- Provide more space and electrical outlets for laptop computers.
- Renovate Marston Science Library to add more study and computer/laptop space for students.
- Renovate Health Science Library to add more study and computer/laptop space for students (make access to the library ADA compliant).
- Create more space for group and quiet study.

Library Service Expectations

- Provide book drop off and pick up service in multiple locations throughout campus (focus on outlying UF colleges/departments).
- Undergraduates are well served with the current electronic resources in the collection. Graduate students and faculty expect the research quality of the electronic resources to increase as the collection expands and adds depth with backfile purchases.
- Provide 24 hour delivery time of materials located in storage.
- Provide study area in ALF where researcher could browse resources that have been pulled from the storage collection.
- Extend library hours.