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Policy Name

4.4430 Library Services and Resources for Alumni

Purpose and Scope

This policy defines the Dr. Frank A. Franco Library Learning Center alumni services and resources policy for Alvernia University ("AU").

Responsibilities

Title or Role	Definition and What They are Responsible For
Chief Academic Officer and Provost	Maintains and enforces this policy. Receives exceptions to the policy.
Senior Leadership Team	Serves as final approval for policy and assists with reviewing exceptions to the policy.

Policy

The library offers some resources and services to alumni. Alumni are welcome to use the library and check out books. The library building offers wireless Internet access for alumni who bring their own laptops or other mobile devices.

Unfortunately, library electronic databases are not available to alumni. One reason is that Alvernia University has a closed network, and only current students, faculty, and staff can log in to computers. Another critical factor is that library electronic database subscription pricing is based on current student numbers. Therefore, the library's database licensing agreements limit access to current students, faculty, and staff.

If alumni require access to current electronic journals, a public library generally provides patrons with access to electronic resources. Also, authoritative electronic content is searchable through Google Scholar. If an article of interest is not available in full text, it may be possible to make a request through a local public library's interlibrary loan department. Additionally, the Philadelphia Free Library offers Pennsylvania residents access to electronic resources after registering online for a library card.

Exceptions to Policy

Exceptions to this policy must be requested in writing by filling out the Policy and Procedure Exception form (linked below) and submitting to the individual named in the Responsibilities section who assists with reviewing exceptions to this policy.

Policy Review

The Dr. Frank A. Franco Library Learning Center policies should be reviewed on a 5-year cycle and updated when institutional needs or goals change.

Approved versions of this policy will be posted on the Alvernia University Portal.

References and Related Policies

This section contains any other policies, 3rd party standards, or guidelines referenced by this policy.

References

N/A

Related Policies

N/A

Exhibits

This section contains any forms or exhibits referenced by this policy.

- [Policy and Procedure Exception Form](#)

Document Review Log

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5/9/2024	SLT Approved
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