

Food and Drink Policy

The Library is committed to providing a welcoming, clean and comfortable environment that is conducive to learning and for the enjoyment of all. This *Food and Drink Policy* provides guidelines pursuant to which library users may enjoy snacks and drinks without infringing on the rights of others or risk damage to library facilities and collections.

Drinks, light snacks and Brewport Café purchases are permitted in the Library. There are designated tables located throughout the Library for the consumption of food and drink, which can be identified by signage on each table. The following guidelines apply to the types and consumption of food or drink in the Library:

- Drinks must be in covered containers (*i.e.*, containers with secured lids).
- Acceptable light snacks include:
 - o Vending machine-type foods, such as candy, small bags of chips, dried fruit; and
 - o Similar items in single-serving amount, packaged and brought from home.
- Hot food or meals are not permitted in the Library without prior approval from the Library Director or Assistant Director.
- Food deliveries to the Library including, but not limited to, those from DoorDash, UberEats; *etc.*, are not permitted.
- Unattended food and drink will be discarded.

In addition, the following restrictions apply:

- NO FOOD is permitted in the public computer labs, study rooms, or meeting rooms.
- NO FOOD OR DRINKS are permitted in the Makerspace or Local History Room.
- The Brewport Café is the designated coffee vendor for all large events. Outside coffee vendors for large meetings and events are not permitted.

All users are requested to dispose of their trash responsibly. Please report spills and stains to Library staff as soon as possible.

If you have any questions regarding this policy or are seeking an accommodation due to a medical or other issue, please contact the Library Director or the Assistant Director.

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