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The Nelson Poynter Memorial Library, University of South Florida St. Petersburg (USFSP), houses an extensive collection of materials that support the educational, research, and service missions of USF St. Petersburg. USF St. Petersburg faculty, staff, and students have on-site access to the Poynter Library’s collection of over 223,438 items, including monographs, current periodical and serial subscriptions, newspaper subscriptions, and audiovisual titles.

In addition to resources held at the USFSP library, the shared electronic resources of the USF System are available at all times, except for brief system maintenance. Currently, the USF Libraries subscribe to over 800 proprietary databases, and more than 26,000 electronic journals. Additionally, USFSP faculty and students can access documentaries and instruction videos available online through streaming media. All resources are available remotely to currently affiliated USF students, faculty, and staff. Efficient interlibrary loan and in-person borrowing privileges give access to the resources of State University system libraries. Through a series of formal agreements, USF St. Petersburg students and faculty freely borrow materials throughout the United States, and internationally.

The library is a three-story, 81,000 square feet building, offering 21 rooms for group study, seamless wireless access, an information commons with networked computers for student research and study, laptops for student check-out, and a dedicated instruction room. A wide variety of computer hardware and software is available to students, including networked collaboration areas with large monitors and shared access points, and a video production area freely available for student use.

A faculty librarian, Camielle Crampsie, currently serves as liaison to the Political Science program, assigned to support collection development and offer library instruction to classes and individuals. All distance education students, courses and programs receive reference and instruction support, including phone, chat and email reference assistance, as well as online subject guides developed by liaisons.

A guide to library resources for Political Science is available on the library website at URL:
http://guides.nelson.usf.edu/c.php?g=410741&p=2799263
Here students will find links to the best database resources for research in political science and international studies, including CIAO: Columbia International Affairs Online, Congressional Quarterly (CQ), JSTOR Political Science, Political Science: a SAGE Full-Text Collection, ProQuest Political Science, and Worldwide Political Science Abstracts, as well as related databases, such as ENW: Ethnic Newswatch, HAPI Online: Hispanic American Periodicals Index, and International Index to Black Periodicals, among others. In addition, USFSP electronic resources offer a wide variety of electronic books, encyclopedias, reference sources, handbooks, and statistical data sources.

**SELECTED DATABASES RELEVANT TO POLITICAL SCIENCE**

- Access World News, NewsBank
- America: History and Life
- CAWP: Center for American Women and Politics (Eagleton Institute of Politics)
- Century of Social Sciences
- Chicano Database
- CIAO, Columbia International Affairs Online
- Congressional Publications (ProQuest Congressional)
- Contemporary Women's Issues
- CQ Magazine (formerly CQ Weekly)
- CQ's Politics in America
- CQ Press Library (CQ Press Political Reference Suite)
- CQ Researcher, Congressional Quarterly Researcher
- CQ.com [formerly CQ Homeland Security]
- ENW: Ethnic NewsWatch
- Facts on File World News Digest
- Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS) Daily Reports, Readex’s Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS) Daily Reports-Series I Digital Edition
- GW: Gender Watch
- HAPI Hispanic American Periodicals Index Online
- HLAS: The Handbook of Latin American studies
- Humanities & Social Sciences Index Retrospective: 1907-1984 (EBSCO)
- Index to Legal Periodicals & Books Full Text (EBSCO)
- International Bibliography of the Social Sciences (IBSS)
- I Poll: Roper Center for Public Opinion Research
- JSTOR Political Science, International Studies
- LegalTrac
- Lexis Nexis Academic
- National Review Archive
- Opposing Viewpoints in Context
- PAIS: Public Affairs Information Service International
- Political Science: a SAGE Full-Text Collection
- Political Science Database
- ProQuest Congressional (Congressional Publications)
• ProQuest Social Sciences Premium Collection
• Social Science Database
• Social Sciences Full Text (EBSCO)
• United States Congressional Serial Set, Readex
• U.S. Documents Masterfile [formerly Public Documents Masterfile]
• Thomson Reuters Westlaw Campus Research
• Vital Statistics on American Politics, CQ
• Worldwide Political Science Abstracts

In addition to these core resources, the USF libraries offer the following general academic databases:

**Selected General Databases (interdisciplinary)**

• Academic ASAP
• Academic Search Premier
• Annual Reviews
• Expanded Academic ASAP
• General OneFile
• IngentaConnect
• JSTOR
• LexisNexis Academic
• MetaPress
• OCLC ArticleFirst
• OmniFile Full Text Mega (EBSCO)
• ProQuest Dissertations and Theses, A&I
• ProQuest Dissertations and Theses (PQDT), Full Text
• Periodicals Archive Online
• Proceedings first
• Project Muse
• Readers' Guide Full Text Mega (EBSCO)
• Web of Science

**Selected Subject Databases**

• Abstracts in Social Gerontology
• AgeLine
• Applied Social Sciences Index and Abstracts (ASSIA)
• Century of Social Sciences, Thomson Reuters Web of Science
• Chicano Database
• Contemporary Women's Issues
• Criminal Justice Abstracts
• Criminology: A SAGE Full-Text Collection
• Humanities & Social Sciences Index Retrospective: 1907-1984 (EBSCO)
• Index to Legal Periodicals & Books Full Text (EBSCO)
• PILOTS: Published International Literature on Traumatic Stress
• ProQuest Criminal Justice
• PsycArticles (EBSCO)
• PsycINFO (EBSCO)
• Roubini Global Economics (RGE Monitor)
• SAGE Research Methods
• Sociological Abstracts
• Sociology: A SAGE Full-Text Collection
• WestlawNext (Westlaw Campus Research)

Journal Packages

• Cambridge Journals Online
• Haworth Press, Inc. Journals
• HighWire Press
• Journals@Ovid
• JSTOR
• MetaPress
• Princeton Journals
• OCLC FirstSearch Electronic Collections Online
• Oxford Journals
• SAGE Journals Online
• ScienceDirect
• Taylor & Francis
• Wiley Online Library

Media Databases/Collections

• Alexander Street Video, including Ethnographic Video Online Series
• Annenberg Online Media Collection
• California Newsreel
• Films for the Humanities (Film Media Group)
• Filmmakers Library Online
• Kanopy (over 709 streaming films and videos with the subject Political Science)
• JoVE (Journal of Visualized Experiments)
• Media Education Foundation
• New Day Films
• PBS Video Collection

Electronic Book Collections

• ABC-Clio eBooks
• American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) Humanities E-Book (HEB)
• Cairo Scholarship Online
• Cambridge Books Online
• EBSCO eBook Collection (was NetLibrary)
• e-Duke Books Scholarly Collection
• Fordham Scholarship Online
• Hong Kong Scholarship Online
• My iLibrary (Ingram Content Group)
• Oxford Scholarship Online. Political Science
• Oxford Scholarship Online. Public Health and Epidemiology
• Oxford Scholarship Online. Social Work
• Oxford Scholarship Online. Sociology
• Project Muse
• ProQuest Ebook Central
• Springer eBook Collection in Humanities, Social Sciences & Law
• Taylor & Francis eBooks

**Primary Source Collections**

• 19th Century UK Periodicals. Series 2: Empire
• American State Papers, 1789-1838, Archive of Americana
• ArchiveGrid
• Contemporary Middle East: A Documentary History, CQ
• Conditions & Politics in Occupied Western Europe, 1940-1945, Archives Unbound, GALE
• Daily Life through World History in Primary Documents
• Family in Society: Essential Primary Sources
• Gender Issues and Sexuality: Essential Primary Sources
• Government, Politics, and Protest: Essential Primary Sources
• Human and Civil Rights: Essential Primary Sources
• Immigration and Multiculturalism: Essential Primary Sources
• Palgrave Connect: Social & Cultural Studies Collection 2008
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**Electronic Reference Resources**

• American Presidents: Life Portraits
• Countries and Their Cultures, GALE
• Countries of the World and Their Leaders Yearbook, GALE
• Encyclopedia of Children and Childhood
• Encyclopedia of Food and Culture
• Encyclopedia of Human Rights
• Encyclopedia of Law and Society: American Global Perspectives
• Encyclopedia of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender History in America
• The Encyclopedia of Political Thought
• Encyclopedia of Politics and Religion, 2nd ed.
• Encyclopedia of Race, Ethnicity, and Society
• Encyclopedia of Sex and Gender
• Encyclopedia of Statistics in Behavioral Science
• Encyclopedia of Survey Research Methods
• Encyclopedia of Urban Studies
• Food Cultures of the World Encyclopedia
• From Suffrage to the Senate: America's Political Women: An Encyclopedia of Leaders
• Gale Encyclopedia of Multicultural America
• Guide to Political Campaigns in America
• The International Encyclopedia of Ethics
• International Encyclopedia of Marriage and Family
• International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences, 2nd ed.
• Oxford Bibliographies Online: Political Science
• Oxford Encyclopedia of the Modern World
• Oxford Handbook of British Politics
• Oxford International Encyclopedia of Peace
• Political Handbook of the World
• Political History of America's Wars
• SAGE Encyclopedia of Qualitative Research Methods
• International Encyclopedia of Marriage and Family
• International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences, 2nd ed.
• SAGE Encyclopedia of Qualitative Research Methods
• Worldmark Encyclopedia of Cultures and Daily Life, 2nd ed.

Statistics and Datasets

• American FactFinder
• CenStats Databases
• Census Atlas of the United States: Census Special Reports
• County and City Data Book
• Data-Planet Statistical Datasets
• Data-Planet Statistical Ready Reference
• Fedstats
• GeoHive: Global Statistics
• Historical Statistics of the United States
• ICPSR Direct: Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research Data Access and Analysis
• InfoNation (United Nations Publications)
• i Poll Online (Roper Center for Public Opinion Research)
• OECD iLibrary: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
• Polling the Nations (was American public opinion index)
• Population Reference Bureau
• Social trends and indicators USA (Gale)
• World Development Indicators Online (World Bank)

Electronic Journal Titles in Political Science and related disciplines

Foreign Policy, Defense and Internal Security: 32
Law, all: 3,274
Political Science: 978
Public Policy and Administration: 920
Regional and International Studies: 662
Social Sciences, all: 7,002

**Numbers of Print Books by Library of Congress Classification, USFSP**

USFSP Subclass J Political Science:

Print Monographs: 8,867 total; 8,785 in the general circulating collection.

Media (excluding streaming): 144

Electronic Books: 4,776

The USF Libraries hold 15,862 items with the general subject political science, 8,228 of these are available online. The USFSP library holds 1,817 of these items in print.

The USF Libraries hold 131,076 items with politics in the subject heading, 46,696 online. The USFSP library holds 17,071 of these items in print.

**Acquisitions Commitment**

USFSP actively participates in the USF Libraries cost-sharing program to acquire, license and maintain access to electronic resources. The annual fee, based on USFSP FTE students, totaled $508,476 in 2015-16. In addition to expenditures for electronic resources, the USFSP library regularly acquires print materials to support USFSP teaching and research. Materials purchased in support of the political sciences program cross disciplinary boundaries, but an overview of expenditures in the J and K classifications illustrate the library’s commitment to the program:

**2016-2017 EXPENDITURES to date (7/1/2016-2/1/2017)**

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K - LAW (GENERAL) | 3 | $357.47
KF - LAW-U.S. | 17 | $687.99
KZ - LAW OF NATIONS | 2 | $98.32
K - LAW (GENERAL) Total | 22 | $1,143.78

### 2015-2016 EXPENDITURES

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Five Year Total Books added Class J: 204 $10,532.89
Five Year Total Books added Class K: 177 $6,340.80