

Message from the Dean

The library is the heart of the university. Offering a gateway to information, the library prepares SJSU students for the future by supporting classroom learning experiences and ensuring that SJSU graduates are prepared for a lifetime of exploration and discovery.

The library is more than a collection of books. It also offers electronic resources, making information available around the clock, whenever and wherever our students and faculty need it. Our librarians serve as guides, helping library users navigate the complex information landscape and learn how to turn information into knowledge.

We are also proud to offer cultural and educational programs, providing interactive learning experiences and inspiration from experts in their field. Additionally, our beautiful and technology-rich library provides a place for collaborative learning and group study.

While the primary goal of the University Library is to enhance learning, fuel discovery, and prepare our students for the future, we are also part of a unique collaboration with the San José Public Library. As a joint academic and public library, our resources are available to the entire community, and we help meet the educational needs of our diverse community. From elementary school students who are wondering if college will play a part in their future, to local business people who need to use the library's resources in their work, to teachers who are inspiring the next generation of learners, to seniors who want to further expand their knowledge, the library provides a place to access our rich resources.

I am extremely proud to be part of the University Library, as it transforms the lives of more than 30,000 SJSU students and thousands of community members who use the library every day. This is an exciting time – a time of rapid technological change and a time of transition from the library of the past to the library of the future – a student-centered, state-of-the-art learning environment capable of providing lifelong learning for all members of our community. If you would like to know more about how you help us enrich the learning experience of thousands of individuals, I invite you to [click here](#).



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