

McKillop Library Noise Policy

The library's goal is to create environments that accommodate all styles of individual study and group work in the library. Please adhere to the following policy criteria:

- ***On the first and second floors, conversation at a normal volume is allowed.*** This environment is conducive to group work and for people who study better with environmental stimulation.
- ***The third floor is designated for silent study,*** so any conversation should be kept to an absolute minimum. This environment is conducive to individual study and for people who study better with very little environmental stimulation.
- ***On all three floors, headphones or earbuds are required for those listening to music or videos:*** this type of sound cannot be played out loud in any open areas of the library. Headphones are available to check out at the circulation desk.
- ***Personal video calls or conversations on speakerphone are limited to study rooms only.***

Additional guidelines on noise in the library:

- *Though they may seem private, landings in the main stairwell and the hallway near the restrooms do carry sound, so phone conversations in those areas can be heard clearly on the floors above and below. Limit phone calls to the first floor only.*
- *As a courtesy, please set all mobile device notifications to vibrate or silent while in the library.*
- *Study rooms are a great way to create a quiet space or a space where you can work in groups without disturbing others. However, study rooms are not soundproof-- loud conversations or sound from music or videos can be heard outside the study room.*
- *For questions about the noise policy or to ask a librarian to investigate noise or disturbances, please chat with us at library.salve.edu or text us at (401) 324-9542.*