Political Science Research Lab Policies

The Political Science Research Lab is a space designed for political science graduate students to find technological tools to aid their research activities.

While non-research activities are allowed (e.g., non-school email, social media, printing non-school documents), the use of the equipment in the lab for research is prioritized over other activities. If people are working in the lab, be considerate and limit the level of noise.

Conversations with other graduate students in this area are encouraged, provided this does not disrupt the work of anyone using the Research Lab for scholarly activities.

Food is not allowed in the Research Lab. Drinks are permitted in closed spill-proof containers (e.g., mugs with spill-proof lids, bottles with screw caps).

Avoid making phone calls in the Research Lab, as people working may find this disrupting.

Playing music is allowed when using headphones and the music cannot be heard by others.

Do not install any software on the machines in the Research Lab. If you need software that is not currently on these machines, please contact the Chair of the Department to make this request.

If you have a technology issue (software or hardware), you can issue a service request to the COSS IT department by following the instructions at https://coss.fsu.edu/support/.

Printing is paid for by the department, which means there is no charge to graduate students for printing in the Research Lab. Please be considerate. If printing is to remain free of charge for students, Lab users should print only what is truly necessary.

The usage of the equipment in the Research Lab must follow University-wide IT policies. These policies can be found at this URL: https://its.fsu.edu/about-its/it-policies.