

**POYNTER**  
LIBRARY


*Poynter Library at Evening*



## *Mission, Values, Vision and Goals*

### **Our Mission**

Nelson Poynter Memorial Library supports the mission and goals of USF SP in three ways: In cooperation with the USF Library System, we provide print, media, and electronic information resources required for teaching, learning, and research. We provide the services and instructional opportunities required for using this information effectively. We support student learning by providing and maintaining classroom technologies.

### **Our values**

- We value a collegial atmosphere of open communication, integrity, and respect in our relationships with both patrons and colleagues.
- We value the diversity of our faculty and students, their varying interests, skills and abilities, and their requirements for information and instruction in multiple formats and through various media technologies.
- We value continuously evaluating and creatively responding to the changing expectations and needs of the campus community.
- We value a spirit of open inquiry in accordance with the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights.
- We value our careful stewardship of the Library's human, fiscal, and physical resources.
- We value cooperation for mutual benefit within USF, the Tampa Bay Library Consortium, and other state and national cooperative linkages.
- We value the responsibility of Library Faculty to contribute to the library profession through service and research.
- We value our ability to contribute to the intellectual and cultural life of St. Petersburg and Pinellas County.

### **Our Vision**

*"Poynter Library: a partner in teaching, learning, and research."*

In accordance with our mission and values, we will:

- Obtain and organize information in multiple formats according to the instructional and research priorities of the campus.
- Provide access to additional information through resource sharing within USF, the Tampa Bay Library Consortium, and other state and national cooperative linkages.
- Provide the services and technologies necessary to access and utilize information.
- Offer the instructional opportunities required for USF students, faculty, and staff to locate, evaluate and use information.
- Provide and maintain the media technologies required to support classroom and online instruction.
- Provide and maintain the media technologies required by students and faculty for research and discovery.
- Foster a spirit of open inquiry in accordance with the American Library Association's Library Bill of Rights.
- Evaluate continuously and respond creatively to the changing expectations and needs of the campus community.
- Extend the Library's information resources and services to the St. Petersburg and Pinellas County communities when such outreach is consistent with the Library's primary mission to the campus.
- Administer responsibly the Library's human, fiscal, and physical resources. Encourage and support the efforts of Library faculty to contribute to the library profession through service and research.
- Maintain a collegial atmosphere of open communication, integrity, and respect in our relationships with both patrons and colleagues.

### **Five Library Goals**

1. Provide optimum collections to meet the demands of USF St. Petersburg's mission and its expanding curriculum and faculty. (Supports USFSP Goals 3, 5 and USF Goal 4.)
2. Provide appropriate library and media services and technologies to meet the needs of USFSP's mission and its continued expansion. (Supports USFSP Goals 5-6 and USF Goal 4.)
3. Foster campus, community, regional and state relationships that increase awareness of Poynter Library's collections and services and enhance these services and collections through inter-institutional cooperation. (Supports USFSP Goal 5 and USF Goal 7.)
4. Expand funding available for library collections and services through development and grant opportunities. (Supports USFSP Goal 7 and USF Goal 9.)
5. Support USFSP's efforts to achieve separate SACS accreditation. (Supports USFSP Goal 1.)