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# Excellent Libraries Near New Headquarters Available for Research and Self-Improvement Projects

When we move to the University City Science Center (UCSC), ISI's employees will have a world of information at their fingertips.

Using the combined resources of the several libraries located within walking distance of our new headquarters, you can pursue your interests in business management or mass media, satisfy your curiosity about the cultures and customs of long-lost civilizations, learn more about the development of architectural styles, or brush up your language skills by reading newspapers from any of 25 different countries.

## **One Good Library at Drexel**

Drexel University Library, 32nd and Chestnut Streets, offers nearly half a million books and periodicals in science, engineering, nutrition, business administration, and library and information science. Library or identification cards are not required to use books, periodicals, photocopying machines, and microfilm reader-printers on the premises. In general, borrowing privileges are restricted to people associated with Drexel University. However, as an employee of a UCSC resident organization, you will be able to borrow books from Drexel with a letter of Introduction verifying your UCSC affiliation. Joan Barnes, director of communications for UCSC, handles all letter requests for Drexel's library. She can be reached at 387-2255, ext. 156. Drexel alumni can obtain free courtesy cards at the circulation desk.

Drexel's library is open during the following hours: Monday through Thursday, 8 AM -

1 AM. Friday, 8 AM - Midnight. Saturday, 8 AM - 10 PM. Sunday, Noon - 1 AM.

#### **Take Your Choice at Penn**

The University of Pennsylvania has 25 libraries on its campus. The main library, Van Pelt, is located at 34th and Walnut Streets. Penn's libraries contain more than 2.5 million books and periodicals in all fields of the arts and sciences. In addition, audio/video tapes, films, records, slides, microfilm and microfiche are available at Penn. All of Penn's libraries are open to the public for reference purposes. There are no charges or other requirements for admission to these libraries or for the use of their collections within the buildings.

A courtesy card is required to check books out of Penn's libraries. Anyone can obtain a courtesy card, valid for one year, at Van Pelt's circulation desk for \$50. Penn alumni can obtain courtesy cards for \$25.

You can use your courtesy card to borrow books from all Penn libraries except the Chemistry Library, Fine Arts Library, Mathematics-Physics-Astronomy Library, and the libraries of the schools of medicine, dental medicine, veterinary medicine, law, and electrical engineering. You can still use these libraries for reference purposes.

Special exhibits at the Van Pelt Library are also open to everyone. Past exhibits have centered on medieval history, Shakespeare manuscripts, American theater posters and playbills, and the history of chemistry. Future exhibits are planned for 18th and 19th century books donated by Penn's founders, including Ben Franklin and David Rittenhouse.

The Van Pelt Library is open from 8:45 AM to Midnight from Monday through Thursday. Friday, 8:45 AM - 10 PM. Saturday, 10 AM - 6 PM. Sunday, Noon - Midnight. On week-ends,

Van Pelt is open only to Penn students and courtesy-card holders. Call 243-7555 for the hours of other Penn libraries.

### **Library Tours**

Penn and Drexel offer tours of their libraries to familiarize new students with services, locations and hours. Tours are scheduled at various times during the day, and some are available in the early evening hours through September and early October. ISI employees may sign up for these tours if space is available. Schedule information for Penn tours can be obtained by calling 243-7555. For Drexel tours, call 895-2770.

## **For Your Lighter Reading**

Anyone interested in recreational reading can visit the Walnut Street West branch of the Free Public Library at 40th and Walnut Streets. This branch contains nearly 30,000 adult and juvenile books and more than 60 periodicals. You can apply for a library card at any branch of the Free Library as long as you can prove you either work or live in Philadelphia. The library card, of course, is free. The Walnut Street West branch is open from 10 AM - 5 PM on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. On Monday and Wednesday, the hours are Noon to 8 PM. The library is closed on Saturday and Sunday. For more information on the Walnut Street West branch, call 386-5242.

## It's Almost Too Late . . .

... to enter the time capsule contest.

Your suggestion for an item for the time capsule in the new building must be received by October 5 or you can't compete for the clock-radio.

See issue no. 5 of The Cross-Town Express for contest details.