Policy - Noise Policy

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Patrons of the University Library have the right to expect a quiet and pleasant library environment conducive to research and scholarship and free of disruptive activity. Noise levels may fluctuate during the day. Patrons bothered by excessive noise should contact a library employee at one of the service desks. Library employees are authorized to resolve any noise complaints.

To ensure Library patrons’ rights, noise should be kept to a minimum throughout the Library, and the following guidelines are strictly enforced:

- **Quiet Areas** are designated in the Library. Absolutely no noise or conversation is permitted in Quiet Areas. (NOTE: The entire Fifth-Floor is designated as a Quiet Area).
- **Group Study** is permitted in all places that are not designated Quiet Areas. However, conversations should be kept at a low volume.
- **Cell phones** and pagers must be turned off or set to silent mode in the Library; cell phone conversations should be brief and kept at a low volume.
- **Electronic devices** without earphones or turned loud enough to disturb others are prohibited in the Library.

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