# Duncan Hall Building Service Center Procedures & Fee Information

## **Spring Semesters**

## All Chemistry Laboratory Courses, Except 1A & 30 A/B

(1). <u>Check-out Pad</u>: The check-out pad that you are issued is to be used only for this specific course. By accepting this check-out pad, you are assuming responsibility for all equipment within your assigned locker, and any materials you check out during the semester. There will be a <u>\$25.00 fine</u> for any pad that is lost or not returned. It is recommended to keep your pad in your equipment locker.

(2). <u>Check-in day</u> is the <u>only day that you may exchange items in your drawer</u> that are damaged, or dirty. For all other times, you will have to use your pad (given upon completing check-in) to receive materials from the Service Center. If you miss your check-in day, you will have to make arrangements with your instructor. <u>It is highly recommended that you thoroughly check your locker items for any damage during check-</u> <u>in, otherwise you are responsible.</u>

(3). Dropping labs: A fee of \$50.00 will be applied to your account if you fail to check-out of your locker.

(4). <u>Checking-out items:</u> Place the carbon slip between the **gold** and **green** slip at the top of the pad. This will produce a carbon copy on the **green** slip, of the materials requested on the **gold** slip. You must write <u>CLEARLY</u>, the name and quantity of the item(s) you are requesting on the <u>gold slip</u>. Include your and instructor's name. Once the item is received at the service window, you are responsible. If another student uses your assigned pad, you will be responsible. <u>There are no exchanges</u>, with the exception of rubber stoppers, and to exchange a dirty volumetric glass pipet for a clean one (of the same capacity).

#### Items that must be checked out (NO EXCHANGES):

- (A). Cork stoppers (size must be specified using cork gauge)
- (B). Vinyl/Latex gloves (small, medium, or large)
- (C). Items from your locker that are broken or missing
- (D). Equipment not included in locker, needed for experiments

(5). <u>Chemical Requests</u>: Chemicals that are not part of the laboratory or experiment reagent set, must be checked-out on your pad with your instructor's signature. Labeled containers must be provided when you need to check out a chemical from the Service Center. The label must have the requested chemical name. Please note a chemical safety bucket must be used to transport chemicals to and from the Service Center.

(6). <u>Returning Items:</u> Glassware and other equipment that is checked out from the Service Center is to be returned <u>clean and operational</u>. When returning an item, you must provide the <u>green slip from your pad</u>. This serves as evidence that the item was returned, and you will not be charged. It is your responsibility to make sure that the **green** slip is provided when returning items. If you have lost the original **green** slip, you can write the name of the item on a blank **green** slip to hand in. There are also <u>disposable items</u> that cannot be accepted back. <u>These will be added to your fee total at the end of the semester.</u> It is the responsibility of the student to keep track of all **green** slips for items, which have been checked-out during the semester.

#### Non-Returnable items (FEES APPLY):

- (I). Cork stoppers
- (II). Vinyl/Latex Gloves
- (III). Disposable/Plastic/Pasture Pipets

There are also items that you can check-out, which must be returned at the end of the laboratory period. <u>There</u> is a late charge of \$5.00/day. This starts on the day the item is checked-out, and continues until returned

(excluding weekends and holidays). Please note if <u>items are damaged</u>, the <u>student is responsible for up to</u> <u>full replacement cost</u>. Please also note that late charges will not exceed the cost of replacement.

### **Three/Four Hour Check-Out Items (\$5.00/day late fee):**

- (a). Magnetic Stirrers
- (b). Hot Plates
- (c). Combination Magnetic Stirrer and Hot Plates
- (d). Stopwatches
- (e). Digital Thermometers
- (f). Burets
- (g). Glass/Quartz Spectrophotometric Cells
- (h). Other items as defined in specific experiments

(7). <u>Broken, damaged, or lost items, from the inventory of your assigned equipment locker</u> will need to be replaced with a new item from the Service Center, using a <u>gold slip from your pad</u>. There is no need to turn in a **green** slip for a broken, damaged, or lost item. The lack of a **green** slip in our records, will serve as an indicator to apply a fee to your account at the end of the semester.

(8). <u>Checking-out:</u> Your assigned check-out day is the only day that you are able to check-out of your locker, unless otherwise approved by your laboratory instructor. On <u>check-out day</u>, any unused portion of your check-out pad must be returned to the Service Center. In order to complete the check-out process properly, you must obtain an inventory card from your instructor. This card must be <u>signed by your instructor</u>, after your instructor has verified that all the equipment within the locker is present, and in good condition. If you <u>fail to check-out of your locker</u>, you will be <u>charged a fee of \$50.00</u>. Just dropping the class is not sufficient. You must also physically check-out of your laboratory locker before the end of classes. Only under extreme circumstances are check-out fee alterations considered. Contact your instructor, not the Service Center, in order to discuss the extreme nature and subsequent check-out arrangements. Note in addition to be charged for not checking out of your locker, it is also <u>possible to be charged</u> for items found that are <u>broken, missing</u>, <u>and excessively dirty</u>. For <u>broken or missing items</u>, you will be <u>charged full price for replacement</u>. The <u>charge for excessively dirty items</u> can be up to ½ the replacement cost.

(9). <u>Billing:</u> A bill <u>for broken, missing, and consumable items</u> will be placed on your MySJSU account, after the final week of the semester. <u>A hold will be placed on your account</u> as well. This hold will not allow students to register for the next semester's classes, or receive transcripts, until this fee is paid. <u>The Service</u> <u>Center does not accept payment for fees.</u> All fees are to be <u>paid via the Bursars Office</u>.

(10). <u>Questions:</u> If you have any questions regarding Service Center procedures/fees, please feel free to ask Service Center personnel. Wishing you the best for a productive and successful laboratory experience.