

Thank you for taking the time to participate in this short survey. Your feedback is important to us and will enable us to better align library book purchases with your preferences.

The University of Kansas Libraries supports the practice of protection for human subjects participating in research. The following information is provided for you to decide whether you wish to participate in the present study. You should be aware that even if you agree to participate, you are free to withdraw at any time without penalty. The content of the survey should cause no more discomfort than you would experience in your everyday life. Although participation may not benefit you directly, we believe that the information obtained from this study will help us better understand the use of print and e-books by graduate students and faculty. Your participation is solicited, although strictly voluntary. Your name will not be associated in any way with the research findings. Your identifiable information will not be shared unless (a) it is required by law or university policy, or (b) you give written permission. If you would like additional information concerning this study before or after it is completed, please feel free to contact us by phone or email. Completion of this survey indicates your willingness to participate in this project and that you are over the age of eighteen. If you have any additional questions about your rights as a research participant, you may call (785) 864-7429 or (785) 864-7385 or write the Human Subjects Committee Lawrence Campus (HSCL), University of Kansas, 2385 Irving Hill Road, Lawrence, Kansas 66045-7563, email irb@ku.edu.

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When completing the survey please consider your use of print and e-books for the purposes of research, teaching or study.

1. How often do you use print books?

- Never
- Rarely
- Monthly
- Weekly
- Daily

2. When you use a print book what portion of it do you typically read?

- 1 chapter or less
- 1 chapter
- 2-3 chapters
- More than 3 chapters but less than the whole book
- The whole book

3. What sources do you use to identify print books you want to read? (Check all that apply)

- KU Libraries' online catalog
- Databases
- Google
- Google Scholar
- Publishers' web sites
- Online bookstore (e.g. Amazon.com)
- Bookstores
- KU Libraries (in-person visit)
- Colleagues
- Citations

Other (please specify)

4. How often do you use e-books?

- Never
- Rarely
- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly

5. When you use an e- book what portion of it do you typically read?

- 1 chapter or less
- 1 chapter
- 2-3 chapters
- More than 3 chapters but less than the whole book
- The whole book

6. How do you primarily read e-books?

- Print out
- Desktop or laptop
- E-book reader or tablet
- Mobile phone

Other (please specify)

7. What sources do you use to find e-books you want to read? (Check all that apply)

- KU Libraries' online catalog
- Databases
- Google
- Google Scholar
- Publishers' web sites
- Online bookstore (e.g. Amazon.com)
- Colleagues

Other (please specify)

8. For what purposes have you used e-books? (Check all that apply)

- Research
- Instruction
- Reference
- Leisure

Other (please specify)

9. Do you prefer e-books or print books?

- E-books
- Print books

Other (please specify)

10. What discourages you from using e-books? (Check all that apply)

- Not aware that e-books are available
- Relevant e-books are not available
- Difficulty finding them
- Difficulty using interface
- Limitations on copying and printing
- Insufficient training in how to use them
- Preference for print books
- Limitations for viewing images, graphs, and illustrations

Other (please specify)

11. What are the advantages of e-books? (Check all that apply)

- Available from anywhere at any time
- Full-text search capability
- Ability to highlight text
- Ability to make annotations
- Cut and paste capabilities
- Ability to save to desktop
- Ability to print
- Environmentally friendly
- More efficient

Other (please specify)

12. What are the disadvantages of e-books? (Check all that apply)

- Difficult or uncomfortable to read on a screen
- Difficult to find
- Difficult to browse
- Difficult to navigate
- Limitations on printing and copying
- Some vendors require creating an online profile in order to fully utilize content
- Technical difficulties
- Require a computer or other device to read

Other (please specify)

13. What is your department?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aerospace Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Geology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bioengineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chemical & Petroleum Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical Engineering |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry | <input type="checkbox"/> Medicinal Chemistry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil, Environmental & Architectural Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Molecular Biosciences |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ecology & Evolutionary Biology | <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmaceutical Chemistry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical Engineering & Computer Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacology & Toxicology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering Management | <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy Practice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering Physics | <input type="checkbox"/> Physics & Astronomy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Studies | <input type="checkbox"/> Speech-Language-Hearing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Geography | |

Other (please specify)

14. What is your affiliation with KU?

- Faculty
- Graduate Student
- Postdoctoral Researcher

Other (please specify)

15. Please share any additional comments you have about e-books or your use of books.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey!