Locating Materials
The majority of EAL materials are listed in the UW Libraries online catalog. Always check the online catalog first. (Use the Pinyin system for Chinese titles.) If the material is not found in the online catalog, then check the card catalog. (Use the Wade-Giles system for Chinese titles.)

NOTE: The card catalog may not be up-to-date for the title you are seeking.

There are three types of classification numbers (call numbers) for EAL materials: Library of Congress (LC) for most books and serials; call numbers of pre-cataloged (pre-cat) collections, and “G” (for microfilm) numbers.

Examples:

- LC number:
  B5253.C6 Y8342
  DS799.82.C437 J53 2006
  PL419 .G42 1939

- Pre-cat number:
  1-929154 (Chinese)
  2-7628431 (Japanese)
  3-127246 (Korean)

Always ask for help at the Information Desk if you don’t find what you need.

Quick Link to the EAL Website:

Checking Out Materials
Materials can be checked out at the Information Desk on the third floor of Gowen Hall. Users must have current University of Washington ID to borrow materials. Individuals who do not have borrowing privileges can apply at Library Account Services on the first floor of Suzzallo Library or call 206-543-1174.

Loan periods for books that circulate:
- Faculty, academic staff: Twelve weeks
- Graduate students, staff: Twelve weeks
- Undergraduates: Four weeks
- Un-affiliated patrons: Four weeks

The loan period for all users for periodicals is seven days. Newspapers, as well as some books, periodicals, and media materials, are restricted to library use only.

Course Reserves
The UW Libraries Catalog lists titles on reserve by course and instructor’s name. Request reserve course materials by call number at the Information Desk. Reserve items circulate for various lengths of time and must be returned to the Information Desk. Comments and suggestions may be directed to uwlib-ealcirc@uw.edu or ask at the EAL Information Desk to add materials to the reserve bookcase in the reading room.

Where Is EAL?
The main location of the East Asia Library occupies five floors (3, 2M, 2, 1M and 1) of Gowen Hall. The entrance is on the third floor. EAL also has auxiliary stacks in Kane Hall (www.lib.washington.edu/east-asia/using-our-collections/auxiliary-stacks). EAL staff retrieve materials from the auxiliary stacks upon request. Patrons may also schedule a browsing appointment between 9 am and 5 pm, Monday-Friday. EAL Special Collections are closed stacks, and materials must be requested 48 hours in advance.

Gowen Hall
FALL - SPRING QUARTERS:
Monday - Thursday 8 am - 7 pm
Friday 8 am - 5 pm
Saturday & Sunday 1 pm - 5 pm
INTERIM PERIODS:
Monday - Friday 9 am - 5 pm
Saturday & Sunday Closed
SUMMER QUARTER:
Monday - Friday 9 am - 5 pm
Saturday & Sunday 1 pm - 5 pm
HOLIDAYS:
Closed
EAL also opens for extended hours for finals.

Kane Hall (EAL Auxiliary Stacks)
Monday - Friday 9 am - 5 pm
(by appointment)
**Services**
The Chinese, Japanese, and Korean area studies librarians assist in the use of the East Asia Library collections, the UW Libraries Catalog, and Libraries databases. They also offer in-depth reference services by appointment and provide bibliographic instruction sessions on request.

The Information Desk staff answer directional and general questions and provide loan, reserve, hold, and search services.

Suggestions and requests for new materials may be made to the area studies librarians, online, via the suggestion box, or at the Information Desk.

Scanners are attached to 4 Access-Plus computers. There is also a stand-alone scanner available. (Non-UW affiliated users must bring a USB drive to save scanned files.)

**Shelving Locations**
Reference books, atlases, newspapers, and select display serials are on the 3rd floor of Gowen Hall. East Asia General Stacks materials are located in Gowen as follows:

**Call number** | **Floor**
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LC numbers<br>A – BL | 3<br>BM – PL715 | 2<br>PL716 – Z | 1M<br>FOLIO (LC numbers) | 1<br>ELEPHANT FOLIO (LC numbers) | 1<br>Pre-cat numbers | 1*

*Many pre-cat materials (along with the microfiche collection) are currently in storage. Materials listed as “Auxiliary”, “Auxiliary Serials”, etc. are located in the EAL auxiliary stacks in Kane. Request materials at the Information Desk or via the online catalog.

EAL microfilm materials (“G” call numbers) are in English. The collections are strong in all areas of the humanities and social sciences. The library also provides access to a number of Chinese, Japanese, and Korean language databases, indexes, and bibliographies.

**Collection Scope**
EAL contains materials on Chinese, Japanese, and Korean studies. The majority of these materials are in the Chinese, Japanese, and Korean languages, although some language and literature materials are in English.