Mission Statement

Grace Library will provide information services, resources, instruction, and a learning environment to support student learning, research and scholarship, information literacy, and the development of creative thinking and problem solving skills. The library will support the curriculum and programs of study by responding to faculty and student needs and requests for information and resources.

One of the five core values at Carlow University is discovery. Student engagement with the educational enterprise and global awareness is facilitated through access to information. The library will be a place—physical and virtual—that stokes the intellectual curiosity of our students and instills within them a desire to learn.

Grace Library will offer assistance, instruction, and space for the effective use of print and digital resources and the development of information literacy skills vital to professional success and meaningful citizenship.

Vision Statement

Grace Library staff will position the Library at the center of intellectual inquiry at Carlow University through the following:
- Supporting teaching and learning by providing the resources and services needed to ensure the academic success of our students and the professional development of our faculty.
- Maintaining a strong commitment to service and innovation in information resources.
- Promoting awareness and use of collections and services.
- Wisely stewarding library collections, facilities, and resources.
- Providing a student-centered, dynamic environment that responds to changing user needs and supports the University's commitment to provide transformational educational opportunities.

Goals

- Support student success with library services, collections, and spaces that meet students' educational, research, and informational needs.
- Provide easy access to varied, current, authoritative, and credible resources that support the needs of all library users.
- Promote and support instructional and research activities and information needs in equitable and inclusive ways.
- Develop virtual spaces to facilitate the use and discovery of library resources and services by a wide range of users and student populations.
- Work with entities and offices across campus to better serve historically underrepresented and underserved students.
- Develop the library as a collaborative and flexible organization with a shared purpose reflective of the University's values.
- Adapt to emerging professional trends in information literacy and services.
- Plan for changes in programs of study, digital resources, and user needs.
- Continually assess and improve services that support teaching and learning.