Joyner Library Procedure Manual

Subject: Electronic Resources

Title: Electronic Resources Use Guidelines for Website

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- ECU staff (full or part-time)
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- Area healthcare providers and Vidant Health employees (limited to some health-related resources)

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- Not available to users with Area Resident, Friends of the Library, or Educator cards

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