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FULL RANGE OF SHIPPING SERVICES AVAILABLE AT UNIVERSITY COPY CENTER

Houston, Oct. 8, 2012 – Have a package to send to a great aunt in Italy? Trying to figure out how to get a mini-fridge back home to Illinois?

The University Copy Center wants to remind everyone on the University of Houston campus that it is more than just a copy and printing business – it is also a full-service pack and ship center.

The center has handled the full postal and shipping operations on campus ever since it moved into its current location in the University Welcome Center nearly five years ago. It is an authorized shipping agent for the major shipping companies, including FedEx, UPS and USPS.

“We have a full array of packaging materials. If you come in and have something you want to ship, we can package it up and get it all ready for you,” said store manager Roddy Chambless.

All the services one can get from the major shipping companies are available right in the store, including a full range of packaging materials, boxes, envelopes and stamps. Several staff members work the front counter to help students, staff, faculty and the general public when they come in with shipping needs.

Chambless said the store has two things working in customers’ favor. First, it doesn’t have any incentive to push one shipping company over the other. Second, its location on the ground floor of the Welcome Center in Suite 170 makes it convenient to get in and out because of the easy accessibility to parking.

Daniel Herman, the center’s full-time pack and ship manager, is fully knowledgeable about shipping services, as is his staff.
When someone comes in with a package to mail, the shipping staff can quickly look up rates for all the shipping companies and let the customer know what options they have and how much it'll cost. That includes international shipping, which is popular among the many international students who attend UH.

“When someone walks in with a package, we can help them get it anywhere it needs to be and on time,” Chambless said. “We've got all the shipping prices and times available at the click of a mouse. You choose what you want.”

Each shipping company follows a daily pickup schedule at the center: FedEx Ground is 3 p.m., FedEx Express is 4 p.m., UPS is 4 p.m. and the U.S. Postal Service is 1 p.m.

Another service the center offers that many people may not realize are mailboxes. People can rent a mailbox for six months or a year at a time. Those who do can sign up for the Smart Alert Service to get an email or text message letting them know when a package has arrived for them.

For more information about the shipping services that are offered, call the store at 713-741-5200. To find out more about the University Copy Center and its truecolor GRAPHICS division’s other services, visit www.truecolorgraphics.com.

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