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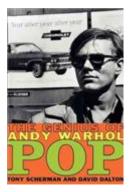
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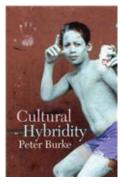
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LIBRARIAN'S NOTE

Once again, it is my pleasure to welcome you back for a new academic year. Over the course of the summer, we have analyzed our reference resources to provide you and your students with the best possible alternatives for their research. This process has prompted us to drop a few databases and add others that are even more varied that those we offered previously. As usual our Reference staff is always available to assist you with the introduction of these new resources which are described fully below. Recently, the Library also acquired a new traditional resource in the ACA-Lambert Collection, a large and very rich collection of books related to Franco-American culture. This collection resides in the Lower Level of the Library in an area now devoted entirely to Special Collections, under the curatorial care of our Archivist, Keith Chevalier. We look forward to working with faculty, so please feel free to call on us to assist in your research or to develop information literacy sessions for your classes. Again, my best wishes for a productive semester.

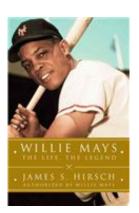
NEW RESOURCES

In response to current budgetary realities, we evaluated our research databases to determine if any subscriptions should be dropped, whether due to a high cost per use or lack of suitability to the college's curriculum. As a result of this analysis, we decided to cancel two resources: Nursing Resource Center and Naxos Music Library. We have also lost access to two additional databases (Alternative Press Index and EconLit), because they were acquired by a new company who priced them at a level that we couldn't justify paying, given usage statistics.

However, many of these losses have been more than compensated by our new subscription to <u>ProQuest Central</u>. This massive database contains full-text for nearly 10,000 journals and newspapers. You can search the entire database or individual collections within it, such as the following:

- <u>ABI-INFORM Complete</u>, a renowned business database with journal articles, financial news, case studies, and Hoovers business profiles.
- ProQuest Newsstand, a collection of nearly 1,000 newspapers in full-text
- <u>ProQuest Nursing and Allied Health Source</u>, which includes over 700 full-text journals, 12,000 dissertations, plus several hundred evidence summaries from the Joanna Briggs Institute.
- Full-text journal collections in specific disciplines such as education, psychology, and science. For a list of these collections, look under P on our <u>All Databases page</u>.

We also purchased permanent access to the <u>Readers' Guide Retrospective</u> database. Do you remember searching the thick green annual volumes of the "Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature" when doing research in high school and college? This database allows you to keyword-search the entire set of Readers' Guides from 1890–1982, and retrieve citations of articles from several hundred of the most popular American magazines. Users can click WebBridge to see if Geisel Library has the article in its print or microfilm periodicals collections, or to request the full-text via ILL. This resource should be valuable for a variety of assignments, including examining popular media coverage of historical events as they happened, or gathering articles about American culture during particular time periods.



Finally, the new <u>Teacher Reference Center</u> contains citations and abstracts to over 250 journals for the practicing educator to utilize. This collection is especially strong in education trade journals. While developed with the K–12 educator in mind, there are titles of interest to those in higher education including *College Teaching, Journal of Higher Education*, and *Assessment & Evaluation in Higher Education*. Once you are in the database, try clicking the "Choose Databases" link and checking the boxes before Teacher Reference Center, ERIC, and Academic Search Premier to simultaneously search all EBSCO databases with strong education content.

NEWS & EVENTS

Dedication of the ACA/Lambert Franco-American Collection

On August 18, the ACA/Lambert Franco-American Collection was formally dedicated with a reception honoring the donors of the collection: Richard Lavalliere, George Lavalliere ('87), and Raymond E. Pinard. While cataloging of the collection continues, the ACA/Lambert Franco-American Collection Room is available for use on the Lower Level of the library. The donors are committed to making the collection accessible to the widest range of users, so most of the materials will be available to circulate to our patrons, as well as via Interlibrary Loan to members of the community and researchers throughout the world.

Most materials are in French, but English language titles are also available. Book subjects include religion, history, language, the arts and education. There is a wide selection of fiction, poetry, and drama. Authors are predominantly Canadian, American, and French. All materials in the collection are listed in the <u>Geisel Library</u> <u>catalog</u>, and an overview of the collection can be found at the <u>ACA/Lambert Franco-American webpage</u>.

In addition to the research materials, the gift from the ACA Library Preservation Consortium, LLC included many art objects and furniture that you will see enhancing all three floors of Geisel Library. We are particularly pleased to have new library tables that will be located in the Periodical Reading Room.

Geisel Library will be offering cultural programming to further generate interest and use in the collection. We encourage faculty to consider this new resource when contemplating class projects. Please contact <u>Betsy Holmes</u> (x7166) if you have any questions or ideas.

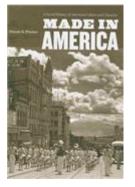
Embedded Librarians in Blackboard/Sakai

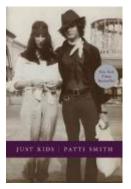
Our library instruction program is always looking for new ways to reach students at their point of need. As a pilot project, we would like to partner with a handful of faculty to "embed" a librarian in their Blackboard or Sakai pages. The librarian could post search tips, suggested resources, and links to tutorials that would help students complete assignments or research projects, and also be available via email whenever a student needs personalized help with his or her research. We would like to work with courses that have a strong research component, where students could benefit most from our services.

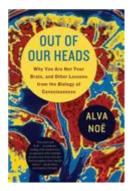
Of course, we continue to offer traditional library instruction sessions that are tailored to the requirements of your assignments and the needs of your students. See our <u>Research Instruction webpage</u> for descriptions of the various ways in which librarians can support your research assignments, including our menu of 20-minute drop-in library presentations. If you are interested in library instruction, please contact <u>Jeff Waller</u> (x6200) or your department's <u>liaison librarian</u>.

New "Research Planner" for Students

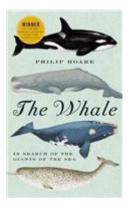
If you have students that have trouble planning the research and writing process for a major paper or assignment, consider directing them toward our <u>Research Planner</u>. Customized from an open source product that was developed by the University of

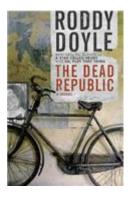


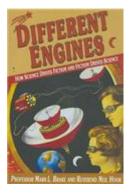




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Minnesota Libraries, the Research Planner walks students through the research process by pointing out library resources, tutorials, and guides that will help them successfully complete each stage. The Research Planner provides students with milestones so that they can ensure the successful and timely completion of their assignment. Students simply enter the assignment's start and due dates, and they will get a schedule full of helpful resources that will help them stay on track. You can access the Research Planner on the Geisel Library website by clicking on Research Help in the left-side menu.

Combating Plagiarism

A <u>recent study</u> published by the National Bureau of Economic Research concluded that students who viewed an educational web tutorial about plagiarism were less likely to commit acts of plagiarism. The implication is that many students plagiarize because they are not aware of what constitutes plagiarism. To address this potential lack of awareness, Jeff Waller (Head of Reference, Geisel Library) and Meg Cronin (Associate Professor, English department) were asked by Duane Bruce to collaborate on creating an online plagiarism tutorial for Saint Anselm students.

The tutorial begins by explaining the concepts of academic integrity and plagiarism, including reference to the college's policy on academic dishonesty. After describing various forms of plagiarism, the tutorial offers guidance on how to avoid plagiarism through effective note-taking and careful paraphrasing and quoting of sources. You can view the tutorial at the library's <u>Research Tutorials webpage</u>. Please consider linking to this resource from your Blackboard or Sakai course pages. The tutorial will also serve as the backbone for lessons about plagiarism in freshman English classes.

Books in Full Text

As technology goes, so go Geisel Library book formats and access. Tens of thousands of monographs are now available in electronic full text, via subscriptions or links to free internet versions. Digitally formatted books allow for fast and powerful keyword searching on complete contents, which is especially useful when looking for tangential coverage of obscure people, topics, and phrases. One good starting point is the <u>online catalog</u>. Here you will find upwards of 49,000 cataloged e-books, many via Ebrary's <u>Academic Complete collection</u>. For example, a simple catalog keyword <u>search on "terrorism"</u> retrieves scores of books with immediate links to the electronic text. When looking the catalog record for an electronically available book, click on the "Access online via Ebrary" or similarly worded links to open the e-book. Once viewing the Ebrary version, you may search 100% of its content using the "Search Document" button.

Besides Ebrary, another possible way to view full text of books are the links to <u>Google</u> <u>Books</u> at the right side of catalog records. Where available, the "Google Books Preview" links take you to a Google webpage where you can "Search in this book". For many books still protected by copyright, the percentage of viewable full text is limited, often to only 20%. But the ability to search against the entire contents can still be very helpful.

So, the next time you wonder "What does that book say about that one particular topic?" remember these two important options. For additional possibilities, feel free to contact Reference staff or your academic department's <u>liaison librarian</u>.

Spotlight on Faculty Research

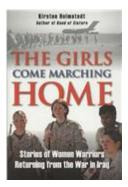
Geisel Library has set up a new display bookshelf that features a selection of books, book chapters, and journal articles published by Saint Anselm faculty in recent months. The current selection includes items published in 2009 and 2010. We plan to rotate the contents of this exhibit on a regular basis, as a way to highlight the wide range of research being conducted by our faculty. The exhibit is located across from the Circulation Desk, next to a new reading nook created from furniture donated by the ACA. Feel free to grab a faculty publication or a book from the nearby New Books Display and read it on one of Geisel Library's new couches.

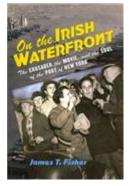
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EndNote News

In June, EndNote released EndNote X4 for Windows, which is the newest version of its bibliographic management software. Since the college has a site license for EndNote, all faculty, staff, and students are eligible to receive the latest version. Please visit the <u>IT Help Desk</u> to have EndNote X4 installed on your laptop. Be sure to make backups of your EndNote libraries and custom styles before installing the new edition. The Mac version of EndNote X4 is slated to be released by early fall.

This is not a major upgrade, but there are several nice enhancements. These include:

- A simplified "Edit and Manage Citations" button in Microsoft Word that makes it easier to create in-text citations or footnotes that refer to specific page numbers in your source
- The ability to import PDF full-text articles from journal publishers into your EndNote library, which automatically creates a citation record for the article in your library
- Full support for the revised APA citation style (6th edition)

If you'd like an EndNote training session for an upper-level or capstone course, contact <u>Jeff Waller</u>, the Head of Reference at Geisel Library.

Where Did the Movies Go?

Our recent acquisition of the ACA/Lambert Franco-American collection has resulted in some major shifts on the Lower Level. Our video collection is now located near the computers on the lower level, making it much more accessible to our patrons. The VHS and DVD players have been set up in carrels near the A–G bound periodicals. Shifting the video collection necessitated the movement of our government documents collection. U.S. federal government documents can now be found on the compact shelving across from the Krantz Music Collection, and the New Hampshire government documents can be found on the shelving across from the M–Z bound periodicals.

NEW REFERENCE RESOURCES

Geisel Library continues to purchase major new scholarly encyclopedias in online rather than book form. Students can easily search these encyclopedias and find authoritative yet approachable essays to introduce them to new topics. These sources are great starting points for the research process. To see a complete list of what's available, visit the library's <u>E-Reference Resources page</u>.

Here are eight of our newest reference titles, seven of which are online. New books can be viewed monthly on the Library's website under <u>New Library Materials</u>.

The Child: An Encyclopedic Companion

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This single volume work examines the life of the child, which the editors define as from the time the child spends with the mother in the womb to the end of the late teenage years. Entries range from the specific like food aversion and Horace Mann to the diffuse like Intelligence and Sacramental Family Life. While the majority of the work focuses on childhood in North America and Europe the editors do strive for a cross-cultural examination as evidenced by the inclusion of articles on African, Asian, Islamic, Latin American, and Pacific Islander Societies and Cultures. With entries approaching the topic of childhood from numerous disciplines this work will benefit students and researchers from a variety of fields.

Encyclopaedia Judaica, 2nd ed.

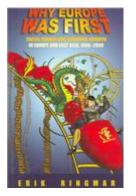
Available in Gale Virtual Reference Center

An award-winning revision of the standard reference work on Judaism, with over 21,000 articles on Jewish culture, religion, and history. It includes biographical profiles, coverage of historical events from the Second Temple period to the present,









commentaries on each book of the Hebrew Bible, and lengthy topical essays on subjects like economic history, migration, Yiddish literature, and Zionism.

Encyclopedia of Drugs, Alcohol, and Addictive Behavior

Available in Gale Virtual Reference Center

The 3rd edition of this four volume online reference resource explores the social, medical, legal, and political issues related to drugs, alcohol, and addictive behavior. The 545 entries span from narrow overviews of specific drugs and legislation to broad topic overviews on how drugs and addictive behaviors are portrayed and perceived in today's society.

Encyclopedia of Environmental Ethics and Philosophy

Available in Gale Virtual Reference Center

Covering the spectrum of environmental ethics and philosophy, topics in this encyclopedia range from environmentalists like John Muir to environmental organizations like Earthfirst! to events like Hurricane Katrina. A highlight of this work are the issue entries such as animal cloning, water, and invasive species which provide readers with a thorough and in-depth understanding of the theories and opinion fueling the debate on such controversial topics.

Encyclopedia of Human Rights

Available in Oxford Reference Online

This five volume encyclopedia will be an excellent resource for any student or researcher examining human rights abuses in the post-WWII global society. That the 300 peer-reviewed articles are written by contributors representing over 30 countries demonstrates how this work strives to properly capture an international analysis on a topic of such global concern. Entries examine laws and political leaders as well as human rights activists, organizations, and movements that fuel the discussion of human rights issues. Particularly noteworthy are the geographic entries that examine human rights abuses in specific countries.

Greenwood Encyclopedia of Daily Life in America

Available in Gale Virtual Reference Center

Spanning four volumes in print, this unique reference work provides a window into American life from the colonial era through the present. It is organized chronologically and offers thematic essays on domestic, intellectual, material, economic, political, recreational, and religious life during each time period of America's development. Subtopics within the essays include women, food and drink, labor, and education. A great resource for giving context to literary works and cultural studies.

Guide to U.S. Elections

Available from CQ Press

Updated in 2010 to include results from the 2008 elections, this resource blends narrative discussion with detailed data to provide an overview of U.S. elections. The essays cover topics such as the historical development of American political parties and the major issues at each presidential nominating convention. But perhaps most valuable is the election results data, which consists of primary and general election returns for the presidency, House, Senate, and state governorships from the past 100 years (and in some cases longer).

Oxford Encyclopedia of Ancient Greece and Rome

Available in Oxford Reference Online

In over 1,100 articles, this comprehensive encyclopedia surveys the history and culture of the ancient Mediterranean from the Bronze Age through the fifth century A.D. It includes entries on important historical places and personages, plus long topical essays on issues like medicine, pottery, sacrifice, and democracy. This work complements the Oxford Classical Dictionary by devoting more space to thematic essays and presenting ancient civilization in a more accessible way to students.