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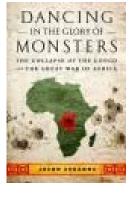
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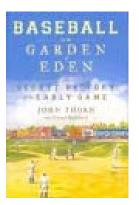
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LIBRARIAN'S NOTE

Greetings and welcome back for the new academic year! Once again, summer has prompted some changes in our resources and we hope you get a chance to explore them soon. As always, we have strengthened our electronic resources, making them more accessible for our students while also working to improve our research and instructional guides. Books, too, are still central to our collection efforts and this newsletter also highlights some of our new titles in a new and more graphic way. We encourage you to participate in our collecting efforts through your departments and with us directly. All the best for a productive academic year and we look forward to seeing you soon.

NEW DATABASES

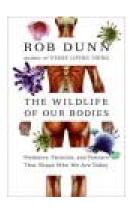
Thanks to savings that the library achieved in other areas, we've been able to start subscriptions to **six** new research databases, plus a tool that enables you to perform deep searching on our entire print and online reference collection. These databases were chosen to address specific research needs that have become apparent over the past few years. They can be accessed from our <u>Databases A-Z webpage</u>. If you'd like help with using one of these resources, or advice on how you could incorporate it into an assignment, please contact the <u>Reference Department</u>.

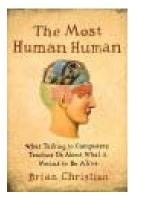
Access Science is an online version of the 20-volume *McGraw-Hill Encyclopedia* of *Science and Technology*, including illustrations, animations, and much more. It also integrates several other sources, including ScienceNews videos, the *McGraw-Hill Dictionary of Scientific and Technical Terms* and the *Hutchinson Dictionary of Scientific Biography*. We anticipate that this source will be especially helpful to our first and second year students looking for topic ideas, background info and PowerPoint illustrations within the disciplines of biology, chemistry, physics and psychology. To learn more about this broad-reaching e-reference tool, view this <u>quick flash demo</u> or contact <u>Nancy "Sam" Urtz</u>.

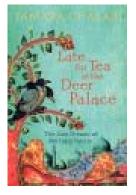
The <u>CQ Press Congress Collection</u> is a content-rich database for researching activity in the U.S. House and Senate over the past several decades. As you might expect, it provides data on floor votes and profile information (including interest group ratings) of individual members of Congress. But it also offers several tools for performing indepth analysis of voting patterns, plus a "Policy Analysis by Topic" section that examines Congressional activity on specific issues in detail during the past 40 years.

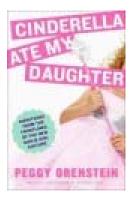
Education in Video enables you to access over 100 streaming videos of teaching demonstrations, lectures, documentaries, and best practices for the K-12 classroom. This is a valuable research-based professional development video collection that provides real world examples for the student teacher to utilize. If you find a video that is related to your course material you can link to it through Sakai by clicking on "embed/link." As an added bonus, you can watch most of these videos on your iPhone or Android OS mobile device.

<u>Gender Studies Database</u> partners sexual diversity coverage with two of the most important indexes in gender studies research, *Women's Studies International* and *Men's Studies,* creating a powerful tool with which to conduct gender studies research.









Students in a variety of majors can use this database to research a variety of topics related to gender and sexuality. *Contraception, Journal of Interdisciplinary Gender Studies,* and *Law & Sexuality* are a few examples of the unique content indexed in this resource.

Roper Center's <u>iPOLL database</u> contains several hundred thousand questions and results from polls administered in the United States from 1935 to the present by a wide variety of organizations. Students researching hot button topics like defense spending, taxation, or immigration can use this database to research public opinion on these issues. Through this site you can also access Roper Center Express datasets including: General Social Surveys, The National Science Foundation Surveys of Public Understanding of Science and Technology, and Harvard's Faith Matters Survey 2006. Datasets include documentation and are downloadable into SPSS.

Kraus Curriculum Development Library is a searchable database of curricula, frameworks, and standards for all PreK-12 content and subject areas. Curriculum documents are gathered from a variety of resources including state departments of education, federal government agencies, colleges and universities, school districts, associations, and non-profit organizations. Whether students want to research classroom management techniques, active learning lesson plan ideas, or literacy standards, KCDL's robust limiters will let them get exactly what they need.

While the other new resources offer fresh content, <u>Reference Universe</u> is a tool that offers a unique window into Geisel Library's large print and online reference collection. You can do keyword searching on every article title and index term within the majority of our reference books, and the search results are sorted with the most relevant reference sources at the top. For online reference books, direct links are provided to the relevant articles. It's a great first stop for exploring a research topic.

NEWS & EVENTS

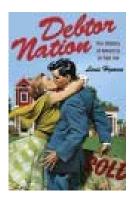
Research Guides Get a Makeover

During the summer, we migrated our Research Help webpages to an exciting new platform that we've dubbed <u>Geisel Guides</u>. This new platform now contains all our Subject Guides and research tutorials, and will host our new Course Guides starting this fall. In addition to providing a more user-friendly, attractive layout for our guides, the new system has enabled us to introduce dynamic new elements to our guides. These include embedded videos, book cover images of featured new acquisitions, news feeds related to each academic discipline, and Table of Contents feeds from major journals in each discipline.

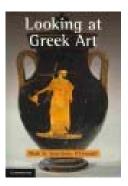
Our expectation is that students will find these new souped-up guides to be a more appealing starting point for meeting their research needs. We also hope that both faculty and students may revisit them periodically to check on the regularly-refreshing content from the news and journal feeds. We encourage you to explore the Subject Guide in your field, and make suggestions on additional resources to your <u>liaison</u> <u>librarian</u>. You can also contact your liaison librarian about making a Course Guide tailored to the needs of one of your class's research assignments.

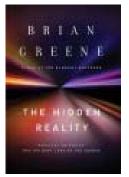
Here are a few sample guides, to give you a taste:

- Fine Arts subject guide
- <u>Course guide for ED322</u>
- Guide to research on controversial topics
- Guide to finding streaming video on the Internet









New Look for ProQuest and CSA Databases

You may notice some changes when searching your favorite ProQuest and CSA databases. Recently, ProQuest acquired all CSA databases. In an effort to improve the user's search experience, ProQuest launched an ambitious platform redesign, enabling all of their products to be searchable on the same platform. With the redesign, ProQuest databases like New York Times Historical and ABI/Inform are on the same platform as databases previously operating on the CSA platform like Biological Abstracts, Worldwide Political Science Abstracts, and Plant Science.

Highlights of the interface redesign include having database limiters available on the search results screen, a default relevance sort, and the ability to search multiple ProQuest databases at one time. The redesign also takes advantage of ProQuest's robust subject headings by having them appear at the top of the search results page, just begging to used. Having all ProQuest products on one interface has been a great improvement to the ProQuest search experience.

I Didn't Know You Had Children's Books!

That is usually what we hear when we tell people about our new Juvenile Literature collection. In reality we have always had children's and young adult literature in the library, but it was shelved in the Curriculum Collection, and was not that easy to locate. Now all young adult and children's literature has been pulled out of the Curriculum Collection and is shelved in its own room on the Lower Level next to the elevators. The collection has been developed with our student teachers in mind. As future educators it is important that they can study, research, and read a variety of fiction and non-fiction works that they will be using in the K-12 classroom.

While education students are our primary users, all faculty, staff, and students can check out materials from this collection. Feel free to stop in and browse our collection of award winning children's and young adult literature and to see our displays. Our current display highlights some of the fairy tales and folk tales in the collection. You can also search the collection by limiting your <u>GeiselCat</u> keyword search to the "Curriculum Juvenile Room" location. The next time you have your child, grandchild, niece, nephew, etc. on campus, why not bring them down to the Juvenile Literature collection to check out a book or two or three. If you have questions about the Juvenile Collection, please contact <u>Gwen Verkuilen-Chevalier</u>.

Downloadable Audio and E-books

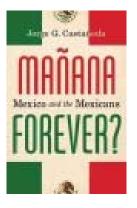
The <u>Goffstown Public Library</u> offers full library privileges to students, faculty and staff of Saint Anselm College with a valid ID card. Of particular interest may be access to <u>NH State Downloadable Books</u>, which include audiobook and ebook resources. The audiobooks are compatible with PCs and Macs and can be downloaded to any MP3 player, including iPods. Ebooks can be downloaded to computers and are compatible with the Barnes & Noble Nook and Sony Reader. Kindle access is coming soon.

The selection of titles is very broad, and new titles are added regularly. Titles cover a wide-range of interests, including books for children and young adults. They are great for road trips – check them out! Goffstown Library is eager to collaborate with Geisel Library, and welcomes our patrons. Sign up for your card at their library at 2 High Street in Goffstown Village.

New Digital Content in Catalog

GeiselCat (the library's online catalog) is offering an increasing number of links to webbased ebook versions of titles already selected to support our curriculum. In addition to existing links to Google Books, our library catalog will now connect you to many









public domain titles in both HathiTrust and, selectively, Project Gutenberg. In the normal course of finding titles of interest in GeiselCat, users may encounter prominent links to any of these free resources. Titles available at HathiTrust can be read via their handy online reader, or downloaded in PDF version. The 400+ Project Gutenberg titles currently included in the catalog can also be read online or downloaded in a variety of formats. Please let us know what you think.

Book Discussion Groups at the Library

The library will be hosting book discussion groups this academic year, and we welcome you to consider leading a group or participating in the discussion. The groups will be informal and inclusive, bringing together interested students, faculty and staff. All books will be provided to the group through lending programs at the New Hampshire State Library and the New Hampshire Library Association. Our first book will be *In the Time of the Butterflies*, by Julia Alvarez. A blend of fact and fiction, *In the Time of the Butterflies* is inspired by the true story of the three Mirabal sisters, who in 1960 were murdered for their part in an underground plot to overthrow the Trujillo dictatorship of the Dominican Republic. Stay tuned for details.

If you would like to lead a book discussion or would like to join our first group, please contact either <u>Betsy Holmes</u> or <u>Gwen Verkuilen-Chevalier</u>. In particular, we encourage collaborations that tie in with classes, campus organizations, or interest groups. Please join us!

EndNote Updates

In what has become an annual tradition, EndNote released a new version this summer called EndNote X5. The interface hasn't changed, but there are a handful of enhancements which you can learn about on the EndNote X5 webpage. The two most significant improvements (in our view) are the following:

- 1) A new embedded PDF viewer, which enables you to read and add personal annotations to full-text articles that you've attached to EndNote citations.
- 2) The ability in Word to create in-text citations to EndNote references within the flow of a sentence. For example, you can now write "Robinson (2004) found no correlation between..." and link the reference back to your EndNote library.

To obtain the new edition, contact the <u>IT Help Desk</u>. The PC version is available now; the Mac version of X5 is still in beta testing but should be released this fall. For help with the basics of using EndNote, check out our new <u>Geisel Guide to EndNote</u> or contact <u>Jeff Waller</u>.

NEW REFERENCE RESOURCES

Although we continue to buy more and more <u>online subject encyclopedias</u>, we still purchase useful reference sources in book form (for example, we recently acquired several new drug handbooks for Nursing students). To help students find the most relevant reference sources regardless of format, we started a subscription to <u>Reference Universe</u> (discussed in the New Databases section above).

But this summer, we also created a brand new <u>Virtual Reference Portal</u> that serves as an excellent gateway to authoritative background information and introductory essays on a variety of subjects. You may want to encourage your students to start at the Portal when exploring a possible research topic.

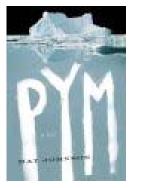
Here is a selection of print and online reference sources acquired in recent months:

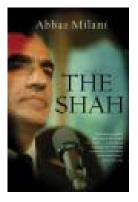
Encyclopedia of Behavioral Neuroscience Ref QP360 .E52 2010

This three-volume set supports the Neuroscience Minor program of study that is newly

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being offered at the College. Offering over 200 articles written by international authorities on topics of interest to students and practitioners, this resource will be a great 'go-to' place for topic selection and background info. Full-color illustrations and extensive bibliographies accompany many of the articles. A few of the many fascinating entries include: compulsive buying, brain imaging, memory and aging, play behavior, sleep genetics, and birdsong and vocal learning.

Encyclopedia of Eastern Orthodox Christianity

Ref BX230 .E53 2011

This unprecedented two-volume reference set presents the history, doctrines, and saints of the Eastern Orthodox Church, largely from the perspective of Orthodox thinkers. Included are summaries of the Orthodox viewpoint on topics such as marriage, the Eucharist, and the Trinity. A number of concepts appear under their Greek-derived names, making the index extremely valuable; for example, a seven-page essay on "hesychasm", the inner stillness characteristic of monastic life. A lengthy appendix contains nine foundational documents of Orthodox theology.

Encyclopedia of Middle East Wars

Ref DS63.1 .E453 2010

This five volume encyclopedia covers 20th and 21st century U.S. involvement in the Middle East and south-central Asia. With entries on leaders, country overviews, wars, weapons, doctrines, and treaties, this well-rounded resource will help anyone get familiar with the complexity of the issues surrounding U.S. involvement in the region. Entries on other western countries are included in this work but always with a discussion of how their involvement affected U.S. military and diplomatic policy. This encyclopedia is sure to become an essential resource for anyone studying U.S. political, diplomatic, and military relations in the 20th and 21st century.

Encyclopedia of Political Science

Available in Gale Virtual Reference Library

Developed under the auspices of the American Political Science Association, this new five-volume encyclopedia is designed to support the needs of core undergraduate courses in Politics. Among the 1,500 entries are 300 overview essays that offer indepth explorations of political theories and major issues. Also covered are political thinkers, organizations, and concepts. The clickable "see also" references at the end of each entry help you navigate to related articles. For greater focus on the theoretical foundations of political science, see the new Encyclopedia of Political Theory.

Encyclopedia of Women in Today's World

Available in Gale Virtual Reference Library

The focus of this unique reference work is the issues, ideas, people, and places that shape women's progress in today's globalized society. Topics in this interdisciplinary work examine women's relation to war, conflict, the environment, activism, education, political participation, and the economy. Their superb country entries provide a snapshot of women's status in the examined country including birth/death rates, educational attainment, civil rights, access to healthcare, political involvement, and gender roles. By utilizing this resource, readers will get a thorough understanding of what it means to female in the 21st century.