WSC Library Welcomes the New Nordstrand Gallery

Construction crews had a busy summer in the WSC Library. The new Nordstrand Visual Arts Gallery now occupies the south side of the main floor. After years of discussion and planning the new gallery will soon be hosting art shows for the college community.

The new Nordstrand Gallery will provide the campus with a fantastic new learning space. It is more easily accessible than the old gallery and will be open to the public for significantly more hours. Far more students will be exposed to the art shows, as the gallery will no longer be “hidden” in a departmental building. Art and art appreciation will be better integrated into the education of all WSC students as a result.

By almost any measure it will be a superior space to view and learn about art.

The first show is scheduled to open on Wednesday, September 8, and will feature the work of WSC Art Department faculty members. We hope to see a large crowd for the formal opening.

- DAVE GRABER
LIBRARY DIRECTOR

“I do not want ART for a few any more than education for a few, or freedom for a few.”
- William Morris

Research Guides Available

Several research guides are now available for student, staff and faculty use. These include:

- Developing a Research Strategy
- Selecting the Right Resources
- Using Endnote Web
- APA Citation Style Examples
- MLA Citation Style Examples

All guides are available online by selecting Help > FAQ for Students > Tutorials > How To Guides from the Library Homepage or by going directly to https://academic.wsc.edu/conn_library/help/tutorials/guidelist/. Copies are also available in the black display case next to Jitters. If you have any suggestions for future guides, please email us at asklibrary@wsc.edu.
Database Spotlight: NewsBank

Conn Library is pleased to announce the availability of our newest database: NewsBank.

NewsBank provides unlimited Web-based access to the largest newspaper database in existence. Through partnerships with leading publishers worldwide, it offers a variety of resources that provide not only newspaper information but also essential domestic and international newswires, news video clips, transcripts, business journals, popular periodicals, government documents and other publications from around the globe.

NewsBank covers 3181 news sources from all over the nation, 223 of which are of national focus featuring business; entertainment; lifestyle; military, government, & defense; science & technology; Spanish language; sports; and US National emphases. Included in the list are:

- Associated Press Archive
- The New York Times
- Newsweek
- USA Today
- U.S. News & World Report
- The Wall Street Journal
- The Washington Post

Of special note is NewsBank’s access to 6 Nebraska newspapers:

- Omaha World-Herald
- Lincoln Journal Star
- Columbus Telegram
- Grand Island Independent
- Nebraska City News-Press
- York News-Times

and video from 2 Nebraska TV news stations:

- CBS - 10 KOLN, Lincoln
- NBC - 6 WOWT, Omaha

Access Broadcast Transcripts are also available from all the major network news stations as well as from local affiliates around the country.

In addition to news sources from the United States, NewsBank also provides 197 additional news sources from North America as well as 161 from Africa, 208 from Asia, 318 from Australia/Oceania, 601 from Europe/UK, 168 from the Middle East, and 26 from South America.

New Books Arriving Daily

We continue to process books purchased from the last fiscal year. Some of the most recent additions to the shelves include:

- Bringing music to life
- The brother gardeners: botany, empire, and the birth of an obsession
- Creative paint workshop for mixed-media artists: experimental techniques for composition, layering, texture, imagery, and encaustic
- Cyber forensics: a field manual for collecting, examining, and preserving evidence of computer crimes
- Hacking: the next generation
- Healing the trauma of abuse: a women’s workbook
- Ice skating: steps to success
- The moral underground: how ordinary Americans subvert an unfair economy
- On the death and life of languages
- Oxygen sensing: responses and adaptation to hypoxia
- Spectacular chemical experiments
- Teaching reading to children with Down syndrome: a guide for parents and teachers
- Voodoo histories: the role of the conspiracy theory in shaping modern history
- Why photography matters as art as never before

For a larger listing, click on New Arrivals on the library homepage, or just visit the New Books Shelf in the library.
Check Out Our Growing DVD Collection

During the summer we have acquired over 175 DVDs. Our DVD collection has grown due to the fact that Movie Gallery closed. We were able to purchase seven display units from Movie Gallery which improves the presentation and organization of our DVDs. Our selection includes major motion pictures, television shows, educational, documentary and foreign films and other feature entertainment on DVD. Come check out our extensive collection of almost 4,000 DVDs on the second floor of Conn Library in the ITC.

- JENNY KEISER
ITC RESOURCE COORDINATOR

Faculty & Staff Trainings

**ELECTRONIC RESOURCE REVIEW**
An overview of online resources and electronic databases available to WSC faculty, staff, and students. Also includes an introduction to using the library catalog (30 min).

*Sessions offered:*
Thurs 9/23 & Thurs 9/30 - 4pm;
Tue 10/19 - 12:30pm

**ELECTRONIC BOOKS & DOCUMENTS**
An overview of how to access electronic books and documents for your research with a focus on Ebrary search and bookshelf features (30 min).

*Sessions offered:*
Thurs 10/14 - 4pm;
Tue 10/19 - 2pm

**EBSCOHOST ADVANCED**
Discover some of the unique and exciting features of EBSCOhost databases that make your research easier. Includes information about using controlled vocabulary via Subject Terms and how to save, organize, and share your research via MyEBSCOhost folders and alerts (30 min).

*Sessions offered:*
Thurs 9/23 & Thurs 9/30 - 4:30 pm;
Tue 10/19 - 1:15pm

**ENDNOTE WEB**
Learn all about the Endnote Web online citation management system that allows you to import, gather, organize and export reference information (55 min).

*Contact Charissa Loftis at 375-7729 for a personalized session.*

Reserve Your Space Today!

Faculty/Staff Trainings
Conn Library Conference Room, Li201

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Doesn’t Fit Into Your Schedule?
Call to Set-up a Personalized One-on-One Session.
Archival Minute

100 Years Ago - The Last Nebraska Normal College Graduation

The summer of 1910 was a time of transition on campus as the Nebraska Normal College (NNC) founded by James M. Pile in 1891 graduated its last class and preparations were being made for the State to assume control following purchase of the NNC from the Pile family the year before.

In its August 4, 1910 issue, The Wayne Herald commented on the accomplishments of Pile and the NNC:

"J.M. Pile, the founder, built a school upon a solid foundation, and since his death [March 11, 1909] his son, Fred M. Pile, has conducted it along the same general lines of excellence. That the school has been a success is fully attested by the attendance year after year and the hundreds who have gone out from its portals into the broader avenues of active life, well fitted to take up the duties that come to them in different spheres."

The commencement exercises were conducted over several days, which was typical at that time. On the evening of August 4 there was a contest between the two literary societies, the Crescents and the Philomathean. A literary society had been established in the early days of the NNC in response to President Pile’s belief that “a teacher should not only secure a fund of book knowledge but should be able to stand up and express himself [or herself] before an audience—to impart knowledge is the work of the teacher.” [Nan Whitmore, Nebraska Normal College, 1939]. Whitmore notes “The literary programs, Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A., and Saturday night socials were the accepted means of social contact.”

To read more, visit: http://tinyurl.com/archivalminute

-MARCUS SCHLICHTER
ARCHIVIST

Library Instruction Services Available

Library Instruction Sessions

Instruction services are available for individual courses and can be held in the library itself, in other WSC classrooms, or at distant sites. Sessions can be tailored to meet the individual needs of your class and can cover topics including but not limited to:

⇒ Basic Library & Specialized Collection Tours
⇒ Using the Library Catalog
⇒ Basic Research Strategy
⇒ Advanced Research Strategies (Controlled Vocabulary, Citation Chaining, etc)
⇒ Using Electronic Databases
⇒ Selecting Scholarly Resources
⇒ Evaluating and Using Web Resources
⇒ Creating and Using Citations
⇒ Resource Retrieval (ILL, Journal Finder, etc)

It is recommended that instructors attend the class sessions and have a specific assignment in mind when requesting library instruction.

Embedded Librarian

The Embedded Librarian service is available to faculty who utilize Sakai with their courses. Once requested, a librarian will be listed in the class as a teaching assistant and will be available to assist students with research projects for the class via the class’s email component or discussion board. In addition to responding to student requests, Embedded Librarians will often post tips in the Forum to assist all students with their research needs.

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