As you can read elsewhere in this newsletter, Joyner Library, with its ongoing commitment to purchase archival online journals, continues to enhance access to scholarship well beyond our prior print holdings whenever funding and the opportunity permit. Little more than a decade ago, campus access to scholarly journals for ECU faculty and students was limited to the 3000 or so print journals that the Library purchased and owned. Today, students and their professors have access to more than 45,000 online journals and databases—a veritable treasure chest of peer-reviewed and trusted information, representing an annual investment of nearly $5 million.

This academic year, more than in years past, we are seeing students come to Joyner Library in ever greater numbers. We believe that this is in response to new services and technologies, increased collaborative learning opportunities, and the presence of student centered partners like the Pirate Tutoring Center and University Writing Center. Faculty presence in Joyner Library, however, has not increased. We may be victims of our own success. Does the availability of so much electronic information at one’s desk mean that there is less need to visit the Library in person? What services and facilities do Faculty need and want in today and tomorrow’s Joyner Library. We are hoping that you, the ECU Faculty, will help us answer these and other questions by taking the opportunity to join us for a Senate Faculty sponsored open forum, ECU Faculty and Joyner Library: Five Years Hence?, on Wednesday, March 24 at 12:00 noon in Bate 1024. See you there!

Call for Papers W. Keats Sparrow Awards

Faculty: The W. Keats Sparrow Writing Award recognizes excellence in research and writing by students in ECU’s English 1100 and 1200 composition classes. The award is sponsored by the Friends of Joyner Library and was named in honor of the late Dr. W. Keats Sparrow, Professor Emeritus of English and former Dean of the Thomas Harriot College of Arts and Sciences.

Research papers written for an ECU English 1100 or 1200 class during the Fall 2009 or Spring 2010 semesters are eligible for consideration. Papers may be submitted by the instructor (with student’s permission) or by the student to Amy Gustavson, Reference Librarian.

First place is $200, second place is $150, and third place is $100. Only papers written using library resources are eligible.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Friday, May 7, 2010

Click here for complete details.
Joyner’s Online Tutorials: The Latest in Service

Joyner Library has created a series of new online tutorials to help educate patrons about the basic steps of the research process. These tutorials promote information literacy (IL) principles and can be used to orient students to key IL concepts prior to their arrival at the library for an instruction session. Concept checks are included at intervals within the tutorials to evaluate understanding. Tutorials can be viewed in advance to allow more time for in-depth instruction and active learning exercises during library instruction. They can also be easily modified as needed to reflect updates (e.g. new webpage redesign). The tutorials are linked off of the home page under Online Tutorials.

For more information, contact Reference Librarians Angela Whitehurst or Amy Gustavson.

Archival Online Journals

We are pleased to announce recent purchases of archival online journals, including titles from the American Geophysical Union, the American Chemical Society, Elsevier, JSTOR, Oxford University Press, and Wiley-Blackwell. These purchases allow the library to extend its access to scholarship beyond our prior print holdings, and to provide this access in a user-friendly manner. Thanks in large part to a one-time transfer of funds from library administration, the library was able to make many of these purchases.

Perhaps the best known journal archives come to us from JSTOR: Arts & Sciences VIII and JSTOR Ireland. Arts & Sciences VIII provides ownership to the archives of more than 70 journals, many of them art, literature, and history. JSTOR Ireland adds nearly 100 titles focusing on the history and culture of that country.

The American Geophysical Union’s Digital Library provides access to back issues for all of this society’s journals from their early years to a common end point, 2004. The library was also able to purchase the 2005-2008 “gap years” for all sections of the Journal of Geophysical Research and Geophysical Research Letters.

The American Chemical Society Legacy Archives provides access to more than 30 of that society’s journals; also included in the purchase was ownership of the more than 1000 Symposium series volumes.

Elsevier’s Science Direct, which provides access to its journals and online books, is the University’s most-used database. Joyner recently purchased a package of roughly 35 journals focusing on Biochemistry, Genetics and Molecular Biology; this was partnered with a Laupus Library purchase of backfile packages for medicine, surgery, women’s health, and sports medicine, to permit both libraries to realize a discount from the publisher.

Virtual Library funds had been used in 2007 to acquire the Oxford Journals Archive; the publisher has since added 18 journals on topics ranging from marine science to literature, and from gerontology to economics. Joyner and Laupus Libraries both contributed to these “top-up” titles from Oxford.

The library was also able to acquire two packages from Wiley-Blackwell: Aquaculture and Fish Sciences and Geography and Development. These 14 aquaculture and 35 geography journals join Laupus’s purchase of backfiles for 28 nursing journals.

All these journals may be accessed via the E-Journal Portal, and will soon have records in the library catalog.

For more For more details, email Joseph Thomas,
Head of Collection Development, or call 252-737-2728.
**ECU Theses and Dissertations Go ONLINE:** What is the Library’s Role?

Welcome to the 21st century! East Carolina has transitioned Masters theses and PhD dissertations to an all electronic format. So how does this change impact ECU Libraries and how can we help students and faculty adjust to this new standard?

Our graduate students’ research will be far more accessible to the scholarly world with this change, and Joyner and Laupus Libraries have been working very closely with the Graduate School in planning for this transition.

Here are some of the important aspects of the transition from the Library’s point of view:

- **ETD’s (as they are known) replace the bound copies students used to be required to purchase.** While there are still costs associated with the completion of these scholarly products, printing and binding is no longer part of the process.

- **Our ETDs are being archived in ECU’s Institutional Repository**, which we have branded as “The Scholarship.” This repository is also a wonderful place for faculty to deposit their research output. Our library liaisons are actively soliciting content now.

- **Occasionally student work is “embargoed,”** which means the final work is not made immediately available for some reason, usually because of confidentiality or market concerns. ETDs that are not subject to embargo are freely available to the world and are indexed by Google, are listed with full bibliographic description in the Libraries’ catalog, and are also discoverable through worldwide databases such as WorldCat.

There is an extensive FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) page on the ECU Graduate School web site for students to consult and there will be workshops held this spring for students expecting to graduate at the end of spring 2010. As students become used to this ETD requirement, it will become easier to administer. Right now we are going through an understandable transition; however, all universities are going in this direction and ECU is pleased to be able to take its place in the 21st century with this change!

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**Upcoming Events at Joyner**

- **3/17/10 Rhem/Schwarzmann Prize Ceremony 2:00 p.m. Exhibit Gallery, 2nd floor.**
  The 2009 first-place winner is Ms. Melissa L. Jones, a student in the Department of History. The paper entitled “Joseph McCarthy: The Face of the Red Scare” is based largely on primary sources from the Hoover Collection on International Communism in the Special Collections Department.

- **March 2010 “Three Cups of Tea” Exhibit. Exhibit Gallery, 2nd floor.**
  Joyner Library showcases the exhibit of handcrafted tea ware made by students and faculty of the School of Art and Design to honor Mr. Mortenson’s efforts and the mission of Central Asia Institute. The exhibit runs through March 31.

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**THREE CUPS OF TEA EXHIBIT**

Joyner Library presents the work of the ECU Ceramics Guild, “Three Cups of Tea,” an exhibition of tea ware, that marked the visit of Greg Mortenson to campus on March 1, 2010.

After reading Three Cups of Tea by Mortenson during summer and fall of 2009 as a part of the “Pirate Read” program at ECU, the members of the ECU Ceramics guild in the School of Art Design decided to make a contribution to the Central Asia Institute (CAI). Members provided their time, material, and talent to make tea cups, which were sold during a fundraising event in September 2009. More than $2,000.00 was donated to CAI.

This spring, members of School of Art and Design have created a tea ware exhibition to honor Mr. Greg Mortenson’s efforts and the mission of Central Asia Institute. Joyner Library will showcase the exhibition through the month of March.

The original exhibition poster was designed by Lisa Beth Robinson and Craig Malmrose, and a limited production was hand-pressed. All exhibition pieces were handcrafted and some are available for purchase.

A price list is available upon request. Please contact Seo Eo at eos@ecu.edu or (252) 227-0321.

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As luck would have it: Graduate Student Lounge

Graduate students wanting a place of their own in Joyner Library have gotten their wish! Room 1101, located in the Reference Department on the first floor, provides a study and social environment for graduate students. Graduate students can use the space as a place to study, grade papers, collaborate on projects, or just relax between classes.

Amenities include:
- Two computer work stations
- Power outlets and wireless networking (laptops can be checked out from the Circulation Desk)
- Whiteboard and bulletin boards
- Casual seating for relaxing

For more information, visit the Reference Desk or call 252-328-6677.
New Employees: Welcome!

Brandon Stilley joined the Reference Department staff of Joyner Library as a student supervisor and night time library technician on February 1st. Brandon is originally from Edward, North Carolina and graduated in 2002 from East Carolina with BA degrees in History and English. In 2006, he returned to East Carolina to pursue his MA in English and served as a graduate assistant in the Reference Department and the University Writing Center. He also taught English 1100 and 1200 as a graduate assistant in the English Department. He is currently pursuing a master's degree in Library Science degree from North Carolina Central University. Brandon is married to fellow alumnus and Pitt County Memorial Hospital nurse Jessica Stilley.

Welcome back Jennifer Joyner who has been rehired as our new Metadata Technician effective March 9th. Jennifer earned her BA in History from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2003, followed by an MA in History from ECU in 2008 and an MSLS from UNC-CH in 2008. Jennifer came to ECU from ITT Technical Institute in Morrisville, NC.

PUBLICATIONS


Friends of Joyner Library Spring Banquet

Author and historian Kevin Duffus will be the keynote speaker at the spring banquet for the Friends of Joyner Library. During his long career as a journalist, photographer, film maker and historian, Duffus has won many awards for work throughout the world including Costa Rica, Tanzania, and the Philippines. More recently, Duffus has focused on his eastern North Carolina roots, researching the rich maritime history of the coast including shipwrecks, pirates, and the lost lens of the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse.

At the banquet on April 22, 2010, Duffus will present three years of research and interviews for his film War Zone—World War Two Off North Carolina’s Outer Banks. He will touch on a stunning collection of eyewitness stories of merchant sailors, Coast Guard recruits and coastal residents who survived the events that make the first six months of 1942 one of the most heart-rending periods of North Carolina’s history. He will also describe how life was alternated when war was waged on Outer Bankers’ doorsteps and their beaches were covered with oil, debris and bodies.

Plan to attend this fascinating exploration into North Carolina history. The banquet will be held at the Greenville Country Club at 6:30 PM, Thursday April 22, 2010. Reservations are required and the cost of the meal is $30.00 per person. For information or to make a reservation, contact Blythe Tennent at 252-328-2771.

Joyner Celebrates Women’s History Month

Joyner Library will host a Women’s History Month Display on the first floor near the circulation desk. The display will be available from March 1 to March 31. All patrons are encouraged to checkout items on the display.

Examples of items listed on the display include:

Women In The American Civil War

Women In Management Worldwide: Facts, Figures And Analysis

The Athletic Woman’s Survival Guide

Heaven’s Face Thinly Veiled: A Book Of Spiritual Writing By Women

The Promotable Woman: 10 Essential Skills Of The New Millennium

Merry Wives And Others: A History Of Domestic Humor Writing

Voting The Gender Gap

Women And Politics Around The World: A Comparative History And Survey

Women In American Journalism

From Outrage To Courage: Women Taking Action For Health And Justice

Women’s Roles In Seventeenth-Century America

For more information, contact the Circulation or Reference Desk.

DID YOU KNOW?

The first International Women’s Day was established in 1911 to celebrate women’s economic, political and social achievements; two years later March 8 became an official International Women’s Day. The United States Congress established a National Women’s History Week in 1981 to coincide with International Women’s Day. Six years later, Congress chose to extend the women’s history celebration into the entire month of March. Since 1987, Congress has pledged to celebrate women’s history and achievements every year during the month of March.

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