

Library News

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Get to Know Patti Schmid

Patti has been on campus since September 1992; and has been the Head Librarian since 1997. During this time, the Library has been through about 5 renovations, which also included a complete gutting in 2007. The whole library staff had hard hats for that one. Patti holds a Masters in Library and Information Science as well as a Masters in Theological Studies. Patti began teaching in 1996. When she started, CCC offered Intro to World Religions and Perspectives of Religion. Patti created the Intro to Asian Religion class to round out the program.

There are a few fun things that Patti likes to do besides read – make cards, alter books, create gardens (including a bog garden this summer). You might have also seen her on stage in one of Deb Bradshaw's productions (*Grease*, *42nd Street*, *Guys & Dolls*, *The Man Who Came to Dinner*, and *Hairspray*). If you haven't met her yet, come to the Ice Cream Social. She'll be wearing a hat.

Rosetta Stone

Are you planning on traveling abroad? Do you have a person in your life that you need help communicating with? Are you just interested in learning something new?

Good news! This past summer the library, with help from Dr. Maud Goodnight and the Title V Grant, secured a campus wide subscription to Rosetta Stone. Rosetta Stone offers users the chance to learn 30 different languages.

Rosetta is different in the way

that they teach languages. Rosetta Stone uses innovative, personalized language and reading programs to drive positive learning outcomes for millions of learners around the world.

Rosetta does this by using Dynamic Immersion (images, text, and sound to teach words and grammar by spaced repetition, without translation).

So, in other words, it's not high school French class all over again. Even if you've had trouble picking up other languages in the past, Rosetta might finally be the way

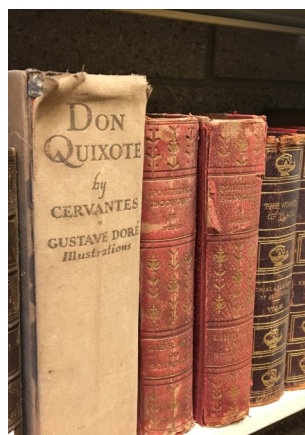
for you to "get it."

You can reach Rosetta Stone through the Library's database page.



EN 101 Assessment and Redesign

In Fall 2016, the Library tried a new approach for teaching EN 101 students how to build search strategies. The new method broke down the process of



creating a search strategy step-by-step and utilized an active learning approach where the students first completed an exercise cooperatively and then completed a similar exercise either independently or in pairs.

This new method of instruction had excellent results! Our assessment showed that students' ability to identify search terms improved by 23.59% and their ability to narrow their results improved by 15.09%. Also, we began measuring students' ability to broaden their search results. We didn't hit our 70% goal, but we did reach a respectable 60.59%.

Although we made significant strides using the new instruction model, due to staffing constraints, a tough decision was made to remove the librarians from the physical classroom space and, instead, create an online Information Literacy program for the English program.

Our first iteration was an electronic resource page, but the Library was working hard this summer to roll-out the new EN 101 Blackboard Module for Fall 2017.

Look for updates in late September!

Can the Library Help Me With Universal Design for Learning (UDL) and Accessible Electronic Information Technology (EIT/EITA)?



The short answer is, “yes!” Now, the long answer will explain how!

Optical Character Recognition (OCR) Scanning: The library has a scanner that any student, employee, or community member can use! It can scan in full-color, high-quality, and—most importantly—it uses OCR which will embed your PDFs with the semantics necessary to create an accessible document. Just choose *Searchable PDF*.

The Databases: Most of the

databases offer articles in HTML5 format (highly accessible!) and Gale and ProQuest also offer text-to-speech and downloadable PDFs right on the same page as the article.

eBooks and Open Educational Resources (OER): For many of the same reasons as stated above, eBooks and Electronic OER materials are highly accessible when compared to their print counterparts. The library offers access to over 700,000 eBooks through the databases, and there are several OER repositories with open access textbooks, books, and other materials.

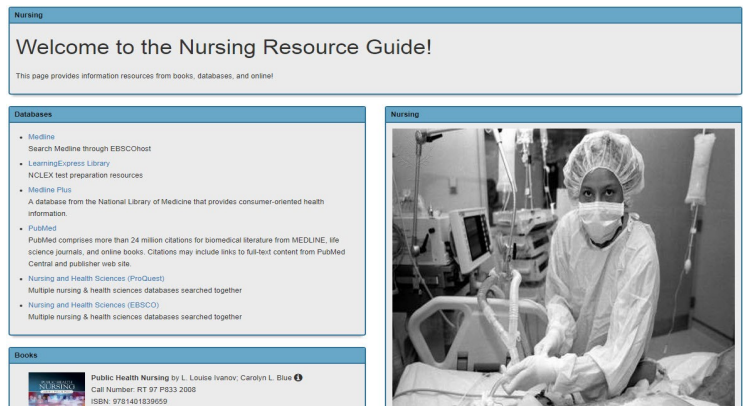
The Library’s OER Resource Guide can give you some ideas of where to go for materials.

The library now has Kurzweil: Kurzweil has a text-to-speech function with multiple features, magnifies text, can change background & text colors for higher contrast, and you can even convert locked PDFs exactly how it’s written! It is a wonderful tool to enhance literacy for all learners.

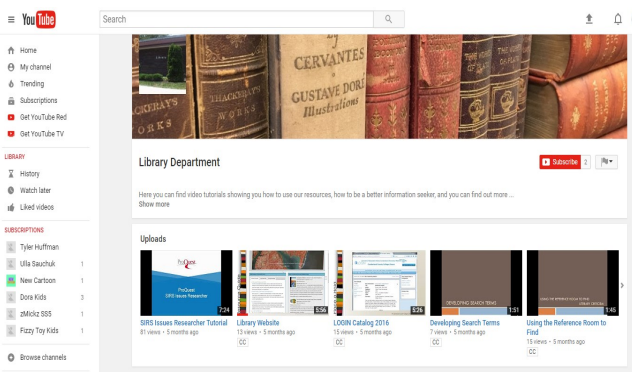
These are just four ways the Library can help! Feel free to stop-by for more information! Or contact Ellen if you have specific questions!

Featured Resource Guide: Nursing

Considering a job as a nurse or taking nursing courses? Maybe you simply want to know the latest news in Healthcare! Check out the Nursing Resource Guide! With access to Health and Nursing databases, links to various online reference and career resources, this guide can jump start your information search. There are even links to online nursing communities that can help answer questions and share advice with prospective or fellow nurses. You can find this and other Resource Guides by going to our website and clicking on “Resource Guides.”



Library YouTube Channel



If you’re new to the library or simply need a refresher, check out the library’s YouTube channel. We have tutorials on using the library’s website, searching the databases, developing a search strategy, and more. These quick videos are designed to teach you how to use the Library’s resources and find the information you need to succeed in class. To access the closed captioned videos go to the library’s website and click on “Resource Guides.” Click on the “General Research Tutorials” at the top of the page, and it will take you to all of the video tutorials as well as many other research tools.

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Featured Databases

Gale's *Opposing Viewpoints in Context*

Explore Both Sides of an Issue.



Opposing Viewpoints in context covers today's hottest

social issues, from capital punishment to immigration to marijuana. This cross-curricular research database supports science, social studies, current events, and language arts classes. Informed, differing views help learners develop critical-thinking skills and draw their own conclusions.

A rich resource for debater, this database includes pro/con viewpoints, reference articles, interactive maps, and more. This database offers current and authoritative information to meet the needs of today's learners with a mobile friendly design that is easy to navigate.

Gale's *LitFinder*

Covering world literature and authors throughout history.

Provide access to a wealth of literary works and secondary-source materials covering world literature and authors throughout history. Including more than 150,000 full-text poems and over 800,000 poetry citations, as well as short stories, speeches, and plays. Researchers can easily target the information they are looking for through various refine search and results limiter options. Biographies, work summaries, photographs, and a glossary are also included. The easy-to-use search paths allow users to easily target the information they are looking for or to browse the database through various refine search and results limiter options.



Featured Print Collection

Have You "Scene" the Actor's Play Scripts?

Hey there drama kings and queens, additional Actor's Play Scripts have arrived! We have collected so many that we ran out of space and had to move them to the "Blue" Wall, which is the right hand wall of the Library next to the magazines. This year we added multiple titles for August Wilson, Neil Simon, Lorraine Hansberry, and Thomas Wilder.

Other new scripts include Tony and Pulitzer finalists, which complement the Tony and Pulitzer winners that arrived two years ago. The depth of this collection is unparalleled in this geographical area and also includes Edward Albee, Lillian Hellman, William Inge, George Kaufman, Arthur Miller, Sam Sheppard, Lanford Wilson, and Tennessee Williams.

Featured Periodicals



THE NEW YORKER

Did you know the library gets *The New Yorker*? The weekly magazine offers a sassy blend of reporting / commentary on a wide of variety topics including: politics, international affairs, pop culture and the arts, science and technology, and business, along with fiction, poetry, humor, and cartoons. Come check it out! You might learn something and have a laugh at the same time.

Women's Health

Want some motivation to exercise? Or maybe you want to try some new recipes to spice things up? *Women's Health* Magazine has it all and more. With a focus on balance and achievable goals, *Women's Health* can help you make and reach your objectives while maintaining a healthy perspective on body image.

PARABOLA

The Search for Meaning

Parabola Magazine is devoted to the dissemination and exploration of materials relating to the myths, symbols, rituals, and art of the world's religious and cultural traditions. In an era of difficulty, take the opportunity to reflect on the sacred across the world's diverse traditions. Join *Parabola's* quest in the search for meaning and respecting the multitude of human experiences. Take a moment to read and learn about the journey of other peoples and offer peace and enlightenment over hate and distrust.

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Library Hours
during active semester

Monday-Thursday
9:00 am to 9:00 pm

Friday
9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Saturday
10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Library calendar

Fall 2016

Closings and altered hours

Monday, September 4
Closed Labor Day

Monday, October 9
Closed Columbus Day

Wednesday, October 25
Closed Development Day

Tuesday, November 7
Close at 7:30pm Advisement day

Thurs, Nov 23–Sun, Nov 26
Closed Thanksgiving Break

Monday, December 16
Fall Semester Ends

New and Noteworthy

- The library has a slew of NEW databases! We now have access to Rosetta Stone (see page one) and 50 new databases from Gale! Two of these new databases through Gale are *LitFinder* and *Opposing Viewpoints in Context* (see page two). Also included are databases with resources about hospitality, history, criminal justice, automotive repair, and many more!
- Speaking of the databases, check out their new look! Jennifer Aron spent part of the summer cleaning up the database page. The look is more streamlined and the distinction between on-campus and Off-campus clearer. Let us know what you think!
- The library now has a charging station! It's next to the scanner. In the lobby, you can charge your phone or mobile device, even if you forget your cord.
- Introducing our new Part-time Librarian, Katherine Givens. Come stop by and say Hello!
- Check out the ongoing Library Book Sale. We have a ton of books available. A bunch of DVDs will be coming soon! One item for \$.25 or five for \$1.00.

Meet our New Student Workers



Jennifer Raven Crow is a student worker at the library. She is an agriculture major and, after getting her associates degree this Spring, hopes to work in the wine industry. During the few hours she has downtime, she enjoys spending time with her children, gardening, reading, and creating beautiful things with needle and thread.



Alexis Royal is a transfer student from Wesley College. She is studying Criminal Justice, in the hopes of being accepted on to the Bridgeton Police Force after she graduates from CCC. Some of her hobbies are drawing, painting, making hand sculptures, and reading.

Looking Back



The library has had a blast this year. With our Annual Ice Cream Social, Halloween Table, and the door decorating contest, we've kept our creative juices flowing

We hope you enjoyed receiving the Summer Weekly Trivia question as much as Ellen enjoyed sending them. Hopefully you had some fun and learned some interesting facts about the college and our fellow employees.

We had a record year for donations! Between library friend-Don Slomin, the math department, local businessman-Bob Novick, and many others were received 10 new graphic calculators and over 700 new titles! Thanks to everyone who sent things our way!

