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First Comes Cold, Then Come Exams!



Mercer Library Assists Patrons as Exam Period Looms

The 60 degree days were nice, but the cold snap has brought everyone at George Mason University back down to Earth, and down to business, as the exam period looms on the horizon. Staff have input several new e-reserve requests, handled research inquiries, and assisted patrons in charging their much needed items, and will continue to provide top-notch service throughout this busy and important time. Even when facilities are closed, patrons are encouraged to remember that off-campus access to library e-resources, including the catalog, databases, web guides, and lending services are available for those affiliated with GMU. For more coaching on these services before exams, please drop in for either a quick refresher/first-time use guidance, or a more indepth look at services with a Liaison Librarian. Mercer staff members are happy to help whenever needed!

Issues in Science & Technology

Mercer Librarians/Staff publish information on facilities/resources!

Heather Groves Hannan, Victoria Shelton, Bill Fleming, and Nicki Trosclair Meacham are proud to announce a recently published article in the online journal, *Issues in Science & Technology Librarianship*, www.istl.org. The article, titled "Capital Improvement: One Northern Virginia Library's Support of Life-Saving Programs", can be viewed in the November listing of ISTL, in a special issue concerning library facilities. Content delves into programs offered on the Prince William Campus of GMU, and how recent renovations, and ongoing library services, aid in research efforts of those distinguished scholars and professors. Mercer Library is, as always, honored to contribute to the success of our distinguished campus. The article may be found under the URL, http://www.istl.org/05-fall/article4.html. Enjoy!

Brush up on your library terminology!

ORDERED

The online catalog may indicate a date with the note "ordered" next to an item's location, rather than the usual call #. This means that the item has not been sent from the publisher as yet.

RECEIVED

When an item location lists "received," it has been sent from the publisher, but has not been processed to be circulated. In this scenario a patron may request a "Rush process" for the item, at the Circulation Desk. GMU Libraries staff will endeavor to fulfill the rush request within 48 hours.

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Library Hours

Fall Semester 2005

AUGUST 29 th – DECEMBER 12 th	Fall Semester 2005
Monday - Thursday	8:00am – 10:00pm
Friday	8:00am – 7:00pm
Saturday	9:00am – 5:00pm
Sunday	Noon – 5:00pm
CLOSED	Wed, November 23 rd (Noon) –
THANKSGIVING	Fri, November 25th

DECEMBER 13 th – 20 th	Reading & Exam Period
Monday - Thursday	7:30am – 10:00pm
Friday	7:30am – 7:00pm
Saturday	9:00am – 5:00pm
Sunday	Noon – 5:00pm

DECEMBER 21st – 22rd	Winter Break
Wed, December 21st	9:00am – 5:00pm
Thurs, December 22 nd	9:00am – 5:00pm
Fri, December 23 rd – Tues, January 3 rd	CLOSED

Library Research Workshops Introduction to Library Research

Not sure how to find and use library information resources? This class will acquaint you with the basic elements of the research process and introduce you to the GMU library system, available electronic resources, and how to organize and evaluate

Sessions are held in the Mercer (Prince William Campus) Library, Occoquan (PWI) Bldg. Rm. 104J. Please call (703) 993-8348 to arrange an individual appointment.

Did you know?

Between 3500 and 2900 BC the Phoenicians, Sumerians, and Egyptians all created the earliest forms of writing (alphabets, cuneiform, and hyroglyphs). The first library was created by the Greeks in 530 BC, and the first bound volumes were produced in 100 AD.

Selected New Books

Administration of Justice

Fields, Charles B. and Richter H. Moore, Jr.

Comparative and international criminal justice: traditional and nontraditional systems of law and control.

Long Grove, Ill.: Waveland Press, c2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks HV7419.F54 2005

Kempadoo, Kamala, ed.

Trafficking and prostitution reconsidered: new perspectives on migration, sex work, and human rights.

Boulder, CO: Paradigm Publishers, c2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks HQ281.T618 2005

More, Harry W.

Organizational behavior and management in law enforcement. Upper Saddle River, N.J.: Prentice Hall, c2006.

Prince William Campus Stacks HV7935.O74 2006

Scarce, Rik.

Contempt of court: a scholar's battle for free speech from behind bars.

Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira Press, c2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks HM479.R55 S33 2005

Shai, Shaul.

The axis of evil: Iran, Hizballah, and Palestinian terror. New Brunswick, NJ: Transaction Publishers, c2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks HV6433.I7 S5313 2005

Soyinka, Wole.

Climate of fear: the quest for dignity in a dehumanized world. New York: Random House Trade Paperbacks, 2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks

JC238.6.S69 2005

Education

Grubb, W. Norton and Marvin Lazerson.

The education of gospel: the economic power of schooling. Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 2004.

Prince William Campus Stacks

LC66.G78 2004

Jennings, Wayne and Joan Caulfield.

Bridging the learning/assessment gap: showcase teaching.

Lanham, Md.: ScarecrowEducation, 2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks LB1025.3.J44 2005

Scherer, Marge, ed.

Keeping good teachers

Alexandria, VA: Association for Supervision and

Curriculum Development, c2003.

Prince William Campus Stacks

LB1715.K34 2003

Seefeldt, Carol.

How to work with standards in the early childhood classroom.

New York: Teachers College Press, c2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks

LB1139.4.S44 2005

Villa, Richard A., Jacqueline S. Thousand, and Ann I. Nevin.

A guide to co-teaching: practical tips for facilitating student learning.

Thousand Oaks, Calif.: Corwin Press, c2004.

Prince William Campus Stacks

LB1029.T4 V55 2004

Wurdinger, Scott D.

Using experiential learning in the classroom: practical ideas for all educators.

Lanham, Md.: ScarecrowEducation, 2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks

LB1027.23.W87 2005

Biosciences

Advances in antiviral drug design. Greenwich, Conn.: JAI Press, 1993.

Prince William Campus Stacks RM411.A38 v.4 (2004)

Grant, Richard P., ed.

Computational genomics: theory and application. Wymondham: Horizon Bioscience, c2004.

Prince William Campus Stacks QH441.2.C64 2004

Guillemin, Jeanne.

Biological weapons: from the invention of state-sponsored programs to contemporary bioterrorism.

New York: Columbia University Press, c2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks UG447.8.G85 2005

Krishna, K.R.

Mycorrhizas: a molecular analysis.

Enfield, N.H.: Science Publishers, c2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks QK918.K75 2005

Speicher, David W., ed.

Proteome analysis: interpreting the genome.

Amsterdam : Elsevier, 2004. Prince William Campus Stacks QH447.P756 2004

Waksman, Gabriel, Micahel Caparon, and Scott Hultgren.

Structural biology of bacterial pathogenesis. Washington, D.C.: ASM Press, c2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks *QR175.S76 2005*

AIT

Box, George E.P., J. Stuart Hunter, and William G. Hunter.

Statistics for experimenters: design, innovation, and discovery.

Hoboken, N.J.: Wiley-Interscience, c2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks QA279.B69 2005 c.2

Feinstein, Ken.

How to do everything to fight spam, viruses, pop-ups & spyware.

New York: McGraw-Hill/Osborne, c2004.

Prince William Campus Stacks TK5105.875.I57 F446 2004

Geller, Elizabeth, ed.

McGraw-Hill dictionary of electrical & computer

engineering.

New York : McGraw-Hill, 2004. Prince William Campus Stacks

TK7885.A2 M37 2004 c.2

Givens, Geof H. and Jennifer A. Hoeting.

Computational statistics.

Hoboken, N.J.; (Chichester): Wiley-Interscience, c2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks QA276.4.G58 2005

Klander, Lars and Dave Mercer.

Access 2000 developer's black book.

Scottsdale, Ariz.: Coriolis Group, c1999.

Prince William Campus Stacks QA76.9.D3 K5698 1999

Mannino, Michael V.

Database design, application development, and administration.

New York : McGraw-Hill, 2004. Prince William Campus Stacks QA76.9.D26 M374 2004 c.2

Recreation & Health

Irwin, Scot and Jan Stephen Tecklin, ed. *Cardiopulmonary physical therapy : a guide to practice.* St. Louis, MO : Mosby, c2004.

Prince William Campus Stacks RC702.C37 2004

Johnson, Malcolm M.

On the waterfront: the Pulitzer Prize-winning articles that inspired the classic movie and transformed the New York Harbor.

New York: Chamberlain Bros., (2005). Prince William Campus Stacks HD8039.L82 U65 2005

Jones, C. Jessie and Debra J. Rose, ed. *Physical activity instruction of older adults*. Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics, c2005. **Prince William Campus Stacks GV447.P575 2005**

McKee, Neill, Jane T. Bertrand, and Antje Becker-Benton.

Strategic communication in the HIV/AIDS epidemic. New Delhi; Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, 2004.

Prince William Campus Stacks RA643.8.M38 2004

Odorico, J., S.-C. Zhang, and R.

Pedersen, ed.

Human embryonic stem cells.

Abingdon, Oxon, UK; New York: Garland Science/BIOS Scientific Publishers, 2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks QH588.S83 H86 2005

Preston, Joseph G.

Major league baseball in the 1970s: a modern game emerges.

Jefferson, NC: McFarland, c2004. **Prince William Campus Stacks GV863.A1 P74 2004**

Tourism

Allen, Garth and Frank Brennan.

Tourism in the New South Africa: social responsibility and the tourist experience.

London; New York: I.B. Tauris, 2004. **Prince William Campus Stacks**

G155.S57 A55 2004

Buckley, Ralf.

Environmental impacts of ecotourism.

Wallingford, Oxfordshire, UK; Cambridge, MA, USA:

CABI Pub., c2004.

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LB1715.K34 2003

Fyall, Alan and Brian Garrod.

Tourism marketing: a collaborative approach.

Clevedon; Buffalo: Channel View Publications, c2005.

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G155.A1 F93 2005

Travel Industry Association of America.

Domestic outlook for travel & tourism: proceedings of the Travel Industry Association of America's annual marketing outlook forum.

Washington, D.C.: Association of America, c2003.

Prince William Campus Stacks G155.U6 M340 2004

Weisskoff, Richard.

The ecomics of Everglades restoration: missing pieces in the future of south Florida.

Chelternham, UK; Northhampton, MA: Edward Elgar, c2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks HC107.F62 E848 2005

Wright, Dawn J. and Astrid J. Sholz, ed.

Place matters: geospatial tools for marine science, conservation,

and management in the Pacific Northwest.

Corvalis, OR: Oregon State University Press, 2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks GC38.5.P53 2005

E-Resources

Featured databases and updates!

Europa World Yearbook Online is the electronic version of the Europa World Yearbook, a global reference publication which has been published annually in print since 1974. The database includes up-to-date profiles of more than 250 countries from all regions of the world. Users can customize their search for political, economic, social, media, and business information. Entries provide current overviews of topics such as the country's constitution, legislature, and judicial information. Also provided is directory information for newspapers and periodicals, trades and industries, and transportation. Many statistics are provided as well, including data for industries, education, and health and welfare. Researchers can also search for comparative statistics across several countries. A wealth of information on international organizations and on the United Nations is also searchable. GMU-affiliated researchers can access Europa World Yearbook Online from the "Databases" category on the GMU Libraries home page (http://libraries.gmu.edu), or under the subject category "Public Affairs and Law."

Mason Archival Repository Service (MARS)

Archival program for digital materials produced by GMU faculty, staff, & students

The mission of Mason Archival Repository Service is to provide a stable, well-managede, permanent archive for digital scholarly and research materials of enduring value produced by Mason faculty, staff, and students.

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George Mason & Virginian Life in the 18th Century

George Mason had an undeniable effect on the fabric of American political thought. In addition to his work developing both the Virginia Bill of Rights and the Virginia Constitution, he became an essential player in the forming of our national government. Although he refused to sign the final draft of the Constitution due to his opinions on slavery and the absence of a Bill of Rights, his contributions to our democratic process and values are obvious. His intelligence and dedication were respected and admired by the most famous of his contemporaries as evidenced by the excerpt from Thomas Jefferson's autobiography below:



"I had many occasional and strenuous coadjutors in debate, and one most steadfast, able and zealous; who was himself a host. This was George Mason, a man of the first order of wisdom among those who acted on the theatre of the revolution, of expansive mind, profound judgment, cogent in argument, learned in the lore of our former constitution, and earnest for the republican change on democratic principles. His elocution was neither flowing nor smooth; but his language was strong, his manner most impressive, and strengthened by a dash of biting cynicism, when provocation made it seasonable."

-Thomas Jefferson Autobiography, 1821

Retrieved 2005, from the Gunston Hall Plantation web site: http://www.gunstonhall.com/georgemason/quotes.html#about

Revolutionary Spies



One of the primary forms of information collection during the Revolutionary War was the interception of letters, both military and clandestine. To combat sensitive information from coming into the wrong hands, spies developed complex techniques to conceal the true meaning of these letters. The letter to the left, for example, was written in invisible ink by Benjamin Thompson, one of the first scientists in the American colonies, and a spy for the British Army.

George Mason: Political Visionary & Hopeless Romantic

Although he will always be remembered as a central contributor to the ideals and political beginnings of the United States, George Mason was also a devoted husband and father, who described his wife eloquently and with obvious devotion upon her passing:

"In the Beauty of her Person, & the Sweetness of her Disposition, she was equaled by few, & excelled by none of her Sex...

She was bless'd with a clear & sound Judgment, a gentle & benevolent Heart, a s(incere) & an humble Mind;

With an even clam & cheerful Temper to a very unusual degree Affable to All, but intimate with Few."

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