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What Book Is Best On A Cold Winter Day?

Recommended books for enjoyment from the Mercer Library Staff



Good Night Moon

by Margaret Wise Brown and Clement Hurd

It is always among the books my children and I read on any night.
--Heather, Head Librarian



John Geoff's Mill by George Woodbury

This is a fascinating book about the author's restoration of a 17th Century grist mill. It is surprising to me how much effort went into its restoration and is an actual account of raising the 100 year inactive mill from ruins. The author is a distant cousin that I never got to meet!
Everett, Serials Coordinator

Joy in the Morning by Betty Smith

Joy is a tenderhearted look at a young couple's first year of marriage.

Melanie, Circulation and Reference Desk Librarian



The Last Summer of the World by Emily Mitchell



It is a beautifully-written piece of historical fiction evoking the life of famed American photographer Edward Steichen in France before and during World War I. The novel's chapters alternate between vivid depictions of the war's depredations and tumultuous scenes from Steichen's earlier life (& steadily-unraveling marriage) in the artistic circles of pre-War Paris.

Christina, Evening Circulation Supervisor



The Magic Faraway Tree by Enid Blyton

Any book in the series by Enid Blyton is just super-fun to read, but this is my favorite Enid Blyton book. Because it's a "Children's Book" it's a must read for anyone who is young at heart! --Aparna, Student Assistant

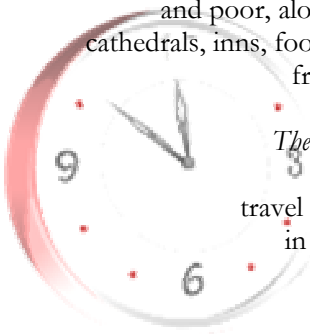
A Time of Gifts: On Foot to Constantinople by Patrick Leigh Fermor

This is a travelogue by a man that walked across pre-war Central Europe in 1933. He details the hospitality of Europeans, rich and poor, along the way and describes countless castles, cathedrals, inns, food, wine, and views of the beautiful scenery from Holland to Turkey. --Katherine, GRA



The Time Traveler's Wife by Audrey Niffenegger

The story is of Henry, a librarian at the Newberry Library in Chicago, who can travel through time. This book is my favorite and will be released as a motion picture in 2008, but read the book first! --Amy, Circulation and Reference Desk Librarian



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Library Hours

Spring Semester 2008

January 22—May 5	<i>*Library hours are subject to change.</i>
Monday – Thursday	8:00am – 10:00pm
Friday	8:00am – 7:00pm
Saturday	10:00am – 5:00pm
Sunday	1:00pm – 6:00pm

Library Closed:

Monday January 21: Martin Luther King Holiday

Library Research & Reference Help

Introduction to Library Research

Not sure how to find and use library information resources? Are you acquainted with the basic elements of the research process of the GMU library system, available electronic resources, and how to organize and evaluate information?

You may arrange an individual appointment by calling Janna Matson at (703) 993-8348.

EndNote: Managing Your Information

EndNote can help you organize information for both short and long term projects. Learn how to import bibliographic citations from many popular Mason Library databases into your personal EndNote database and insert citations and bibliographies into your research papers.

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Did You Know?

Research help is available in many different ways. Librarians and reference assistants are available to help you at the Mercer Library during the hours the library is open. Additionally, there are many other ways you can get help with your research.

By e-mail

Go to <http://library.gmu.edu/research>.

Allow 2-3 days for a response by email.

By phone

Call the Mercer Library Reference Desk at 703-993-8342.

By appointment

visit <http://library.gmu.edu/research/liais.html> to find the liaison librarian for your subject area.

By instant message

Go to <http://library.gmu.edu/mudge/IM/IMRef.html>.

Selected New Books

Administration of Justice

But Is It Racial Profiling? : Policing, Pretext Stops, And The Color Of Suspicion

Gumbhir, Vikas K. (Vikas Kiernan),
New York : LFB Scholarly Pub., 2007.

Prince William Campus Stacks
HV7936.R3 G86 2007

The Corporate Security Professional's Handbook On Terrorism / Halibozek, Edward P.

Boston : Butterworth Heinemann, c2008.

Prince William Campus Stacks
HV8290 .H325 2008

Freedom And Information : Assessing Publicly Available Data Regarding U.S. Transportation Infrastructure Security / Landree, Eric.

Santa Monica, CA: Rand Homeland Security, 2006.

Prince William Campus Stacks
HV6432 .L363 2006

The Guantanamo Files : The Stories Of The 774 Detainees In America's Illegal Prison

Worthington, Andy.
London ; Ann Arbor, MI : Pluto Press, 2007.

Prince William Campus Stacks
HV9474.G83 W67 2007

The Quiet Revolutionaries : Seeking Justice In Guatemala

Afflitto, Frank M.,
Austin : University of Texas Press, 2007.

Prince William Campus Stacks
HV6322.3.G9 A34 2007

Strategies For Protecting National Critical Infrastructure Assets : A Focus On Problem-Solving

Sullivant, John.
Hoboken, N.J. : Wiley-Interscience, c2007.

Prince William Campus Stacks
HV6432 .S85 2007

Torture And The Ticking Bomb

Brecher, Robert.
Malden, MA ; Oxford : Blackwell Pub., 2007.

Prince William Campus Stacks
HV8593 .B74 2007

Biosciences

Agents Of Bioterrorism : Pathogens And Their Weaponization
edited by Geoffrey Zubay, et al.

New York : Columbia University Press, c2005.

Prince William Campus Stacks
QR175 .A34 2005

Bioinformatics : Database, Tools, Algorithms

Orpita Bosu, Simminder Kaur Thukral.
Oxford : Oxford University Press, 2007.

Prince William Campus Stacks
QH324.2 .B67 2007

Biological And Chemical Terrorism : A Guide For Healthcare Providers And First Responders

Raymond S. Weinstein, Ken Alibek.
New York : Thieme Medical Pub., c2003.

Prince William Campus Stacks
RC88.9.T47 W456 2003

Cancer Genomics and Proteomics: Methods and Protocols
edited by Paul B. Fisher.

Totowa, N.J.: Humana, c2007.

Prince William Campus Stacks
RC268.4 .C36 2007

Computational Genomics: Current Methods
edited by Nikola Stojanovic.

Wymondham: Horizon Bioscience, c2007.

Prince William Campus Stacks
QH447 .C657 2007

Drug And Biological Development: From Molecule To Product And Beyond / R. Evens.

New York; London: Springer, 2007.

Prince William Campus Stacks
RM301.25 .D761 2007

Functional Informatics In Drug Discovery / ed by Sergey Ilyin.
Boca Raton: CRC Press, c2008.

Prince William Campus Stacks
QH324.2 .F86 2008

Gene Function Analysis / ed by Michael F. Ochs.
Totowa, N.J.: Humana, c2007.

Prince William Campus Stacks
QH441 .G46 2007

I never teach my pupils; I only attempt to provide the conditions in which they can learn. - Albert Einstein

Biosciences (continued)

Handbook Of Chemical And Biological Warfare Agents
D. Hank Ellison. , 2nd ed.
Boca Raton : CRC Press, c2008.
Prince William Campus Stacks
UG447 .E44 2008

HIV-1 : Molecular Biology And Pathogenesis
edited by Kuan-Teh Jeang.
Amsterdam ; London : Elsevier, c2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
QR414.6.H58 H55 2007

Infectious Disease Surveillance
edited by Nkuchia M. M'ikanatha.
Malden, MA ; Oxford : Blackwell Pub., 2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
RA643 .I6537 2007

Manual Of Clinical Microbiology / editor in chief,
Patrick R. Murray ; editors, Ellen Jo Baron ... [et al.].
Washington, D.C. : ASM Press, c2007.
Prince William Campus Reference
QR46 .M425 2007

Methods For Computational Gene Prediction
William H. Majoros.
Cambridge : Cambridge University Press, 2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
QH324.2 .M34 2007

Methods For General And Molecular Microbiology
C.A. Reddy, editor in chief ; T.J. Beveridge ... [et al.].
Washington, D.C. : ASM Press, c2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
QR65 .M26 2007

Microarrays / edited by Jang B. Rampal. , 2nd ed.
Totowa, N.J. : Humana, c2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
QP624.5.D726 M537 2007

Microbiology Bench Companion / J. Michael Miller.
Washington, DC : ASM Press, c2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
QR46 .M585 2007

Biosciences (continued)

Microrna : Biology, Function, And Expression
Neil J. Clarke and Philippe Sanseau, editors.
Eagleville, PA : DNA Press, c2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
QP623.5.S63 M528 2007

Modelling, Analysis And Optimization Of Biosystems
Werner Krabs, Stefan Wolfgang Pickl.
Berlin; New York: Springer, c2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
QH323.5 .K7 2007

PDR Guide To Terrorism Response
editors, John G. Bartlett and Michael I. Greenberg.
Montvale, NJ: Thomson PDR, c2005.
Prince William Campus Reference
RA645.5 .B289 2005

Statistics Of Gene Mapping
David Siegmund, Benjamin Yakir.
New York: Springer, c2007.
Fenwick Stacks
QH438.4.S73 S54 2007

Superantigens : Molecular Basis For Their Role In Human Diseases
edited by Malak Kotb and John D. Fraser.
Washington, D.C. : ASM Press, c2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
QR186.6.S94 S875 2007

Understanding Bioinformatics
Marketa Zvelebil & Jeremy O. Baum.
New York : Garland Science, c2008.
Prince William Campus Stacks
QH324.2 .Z84 2008

Virulence Mechanisms Of Bacterial Pathogens
edited by Kim A. Brogden ... [et al.]. , 4th ed.
Washington, D.C. : ASM Press, c2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
QR175 .V57 2006

Viruses And Human Disease
James H. Strauss, Ellen G. Strauss. , 2nd ed.
Boston : Academic Press, c2008.
Prince William Campus Stacks
QR201.V55 S77 2008

Education

Educating The First Digital Generation
Harwood, Paul G.
Westport, Conn. : Praeger, 2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
LB1028.3 .H374 2007

Fluency In The Classroom
New York : Guilford Press, c2008.
Prince William Campus Stacks
LB1573.5 .F58 2008

Getting Ready To Read With Readers Theatre
Barchers, Suzanne I.
Westport, Conn. : Teacher Ideas Press, 2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
LB1573.5 .B37 2007

In The Field : Guided Field Assignments And Readings In Early Childhood Education
Chrisman, Kent.
Clifton Park, NY : Delmar Learning, 2008.
Prince William Campus Stacks
LB1139.25 .C45 2008

Parenting And Inclusive Education : Discovering Difference, Experiencing Difficulty
Rogers, Chrissie.
Basingstoke : Palgrave Macmillan, 2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
LC4706.G7 R64 2007

Reading For Academic Success, Grades 2-6 : Differentiated Strategies For Struggling, Average, And Advanced Readers
Strong, Richard W.
Thousand Oaks, CA : Corwin Press, c2008.
Prince William Campus Stacks
LB1573 .S895 2008

Respite For Teachers : Reflection And Renewal In The Teaching Life /Casanave, Christine Pearson.
Ann Arbor : University of Michigan Press, c2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
LB1025.3 .C387 2007

The Wonder Of It All : When Literature And Literacy Intersect
Johnson, Nancy J.
Portsmouth, NH : Heinemann, c2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
LB1573 .J565 2007

Health and Recreation

Breaking Through : John B. Mclendon, Basketball Legend And Civil Rights Pioneer /Katz, Milton S.
Fayetteville : University of Arkansas Press, 2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
GV884.M29 K37 2007

The Engineering Of Sport 6
International Sports Engineering Association.
Conference.
New York : Springer, c2006.
Prince William Campus Stacks
GV557.5 .I68 2006

First Class Citizenship : The Civil Rights Letters Of Jackie Robinson /
Robinson, Jackie.
New York : Times Books, c2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
GV865.R6 A4 2007

Intrinsic Motivation And Self-Determination In Exercise And Sport/ Champaign, IL : Human Kinetics, c2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
GV706.4 .I593 2007

Playing With The Boys : Why Separate Is Not Equal In Sports
McDonagh, Eileen L.
Oxford ; New York : Oxford University Press, 2008.
GV706.5 .M3673 2008
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Souled Out? : How Blacks Are Winning And Losing In Sports
Powell, Shaun.
Champaign, IL : Human Kinetics, c2008.
Prince William Campus Stacks
GV706.32 .P69 2008

The Wages Of Wins : Taking Measure Of The Many Myths In Modern Sport
Berri, David J.
Stanford, Calif. : Stanford Business Books, 2007.
Prince William Campus Stacks
GV716 .B47 2007

The author himself is the best judge of his own performance; none has so deeply meditated on the subject; none is so sincerely interested in the event.
Edward Gibbon

E-Resources

Featured databases and updates

NetLibrary V is a collection of e-books that includes new content from the top academic and trade publishers in subjects suited for academic and public libraries. The collection policy is similar to that of the first four collections and includes many of the same top university presses and trade and commercial publishers, as well as some newly signed publishers. The collection has some new editions of the more popularly used titles in subjects ranging from business and computer science to education, literature, history, reference, and much more. The collection contains more than 7,000 titles.

SpecInfo contains 434,000 spectra divided among 25 collections of MS (Mass Spectrometry), IR (Infrared) and NMR (Nuclear Magnetic Resonance).

SBRnet (Sports Business Research Network) features market research & industry news covering many facets of the sports industry (sporting goods, equipment sales, participation, facilities, broadcasting, sponsorship & marketing.)

GMU-affiliated researchers can access these databases from the databases category on the GMU Libraries Home Page.



Seasons Greetings from the Staff of Mercer Library! ☐

“CAUGHT IN THE ACT” AWARDS - Ever had a Library or other ITU employee go the “extra mile” for you? Let them know you noticed!

Send an e-mail to itucustomerservice@gmu.edu with a short description of what made you notice the service. Include the ITU staff member's name, and if you know it, the department. The Customer Service Standards Team will recognize the exceptional customer service immediately on the ITU Customer Service Web site, itucustomerservice.gmu.edu, and send them a small reward as an acknowledgement that they've been "Caught in the Act".

George Mason & Virginian Life in the 18th Century



George Mason drafted the Virginia Declaration of Rights, which was used as the model of the United States Bill of Rights. The first two articles of the Virginia Declaration of Rights are below.

Article 1: That all men are by nature equally free and independent, and have certain inherent rights, of which, when they enter into a state of society, they cannot, by any compact, deprive or divest their posterity; namely, the enjoyment of life and liberty, with the means of acquiring and possessing property, and pursuing and obtaining happiness and safety.

Article 2: That all power is vested in, and consequently derived from, the people; that magistrates are their trustees and servants, and at all times amenable to them.

Education is what survives when what has been learned has been forgotten. - B. F. Skinner

The Prince William Campus: Mercer Library

The Prince William Campus Library opened along with the brand-new Prince William Campus in 1997, and both have grown rapidly ever since. In fact, the burgeoning collections necessitated a recent addition and expansion of the library shelving system.

When the George Mason University Building Naming Committee selected new names for a number of university locations in January 2004, it announced that the Prince William Campus Library would become the Mercer Library. The name was selected to honor John Mercer (1703/04–1768), uncle and guardian of university namesake George Mason (1725–1792). John Mercer was a lawyer, and his extensive personal library was one of the largest in colonial Virginia. It was a resource for the young George Mason during his formative years.

The principal mission of the Prince William Campus Mercer Library is to support the programs and courses offered at the still-growing campus. Some of these include administration of justice; bioinformatics; molecular and microbiology; biodefense; business; computer science; education; health, fitness, and recreation resources; and travel and tourism. The library also provides resources for the corporate partners and research centers that form an integral aspect of the Prince William Campus.

—Anne Hakes

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