As the 2011 fall semester begins, my colleagues and I in the Butte College Library warmly welcome all new and returning BC students, faculty, and staff. We wish all of you the best for fall 2011 at Butte!

The explosive growth of the amount of information requires our students to achieve competency in retrieving, managing, analyzing, and using information effectively. To help our students function successfully in the information era, our librarians have been focusing on teaching students how to find, retrieve, evaluate and use information in an effective manner. The Library provides information competency instruction programs that include credit bearing courses such as LIS-11 Research Strategies and LIS-126 Info Fluency/Research Skills.

New in this semester are our newly developed online tutorials in the form of bibliographic instruction video clips. Each tutorial is about two minutes in length and teaches information research skills ranging from how to find and develop a research topic to how to search a library eBook collection and a database. Instructors can use these tutorials in their classes or embed them in Blackboard. Students can take these tutorials at their own pace to build their research skills - which are critical for college success and lifelong learning. Please check out these online tutorials!

I encourage all faculty to take full advantage of the Library’s course-related bibliographic instruction through scheduling a bibliographic instruction session with a librarian in the library computer lab to give your students the opportunity to acquire research methods and information search skills.

Remember that research assistance is available 24/7 via e-mail and live chat. In-person and telephone assistance are also available in the libraries on the main campus as well as at the Chico Center during regular library opening hours.

As always, we welcome your comments and suggestions.

Have a great start of the semester!
Resource Highlight

Research Paper Learning Module

The Library has launched a Research Paper Learning Module on our Web site under Student Learning Resources. The self-paced learning module includes 10 chapters with over 20 short videos and a dozen handouts. It is designed to guide students through each step of the research process from finding topic ideas to finding appropriate information to citing the resource. Check it out and encourage your students to use it. You can add the link to Blackboard and even make the Learning Module a reading assignment!

Library > Student Learning Resources > Research Paper Learning Module

New Books

Here are some recent additions...

Circulating Books:


*Secret historian : the life and times of Samuel Steward, professor, tattoo artist, and sexual renegade.* By Justin Spring. (CT275.S6966 S676 2010)


Reference Books:


Statistical Analysis

Circulation Statistics by Semester

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Number of questions answered in Virtual reference.

Butte College students’ use of the 24 hour virtual reference service staffed by librarians around the world.
Have you ever wanted to place a hold on an item that someone else has checked out? Well now you can! If you find an item that is charged to another patron and you would like us to notify you when it is returned, please stop by the Circulation Desk and ask to place a hold.

Questions? Call the Circulation Desk at 879-4017

10 Most Challenged Titles of 2010

And Tango Makes Three, by Peter Parnell and Justin Richardson
Reasons: homosexuality, religious viewpoint, unsuited to age group

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian, by Sherman Alexie
Reasons: offensive language, racism, religious viewpoint, sex education, sexually explicit, violence, unsuited to age group

Brave New World, by Aldous Huxley
Reasons: insensitivity, offensive language, racism, sexually explicit

Crank, by Ellen Hopkins
Reasons: drugs, offensive language, racism, sexually explicit

The Hunger Games, by Suzanne Collins
Reasons: sexuality explicit, violence, unsuited to age group

Lush, by Natasha Friend
Reasons: drugs, sexually explicit, offensive language, unsuited to age group

What My Mother Doesn’t Know, by Sonya Sones
Reasons: sexism, sexually explicit, unsuited to age group

Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting by in America, by Barbara Ehrenreich
Reasons: drugs, inaccurate, offensive language, political viewpoint, religious viewpoint

Revolutionary Voices edited by Amy Sonnie
Reasons: homosexuality, sexually explicit

Twilight, by Stephanie Meyer
Reasons: sexuality explicit, religious viewpoint, violence, unsuited to age group

Events

Upcoming Events

Banned Books Week

Celebrating the Freedom to Read!

Stop by the library September 26-September 30, 2011 to participate in Banned Books Week, including a FREE book and Amazon Kindle eBook giveaway.

Held each year since 1982, Banned Books Week is the only national celebration of the freedom to read, and is held in hundreds of libraries and bookstores around the globe. More than a thousand books have been challenged since 1982. People challenge books for any number of reasons. Their targets range from books that explore contemporary issues and controversies to classic and beloved works of American literature.

According to the American Library Association, there were 348 challenges reported to the Office of Intellectual Freedom in 2010, and many more go unreported.

Past Events

Butte College Archives Reception

The newly developing Butte College archives hosted a combined space dedication celebration and retirees reception on April 21st from 2-4 pm. Events included formal presentations by President Diana Van der Ploeg and members of the Butte College “first faculty,” Facebook training, and other activities. Located in LB 120, the Archives is still under development and is currently open by appointment only. The Archives welcomes donations of items related to the history of Butte College.

News & Updates

Book Requests

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Get to Know Our Staff

Donna Greenberg is an Associate Faculty Librarian working part-time at both the Chico Center and main campus libraries. She joined the library team in August 2010 and has thoroughly enjoyed her position. Donna also works part-time as a Librarian at California State University, Chico, working the reference desk, answering IM questions, and teaching Bibliographic Instruction to students since August 2005.

Donna received her Master’s degree in Library Studies and a Master’s of Business Administration at the University of Hawaii, 1980 and 1982. She received her BA in Social Welfare from the University of California, Berkeley in 1978.

Before moving to Chico in 2004, Donna worked at the Alameda Free Library for the city of Alameda as a Supervising Librarian in Adult Services. She oversaw many departments, in particular, Reference and Circulation which included all of the scheduling for the library and the 2 branches. After 19 years Donna and her husband, Rob, decided to leave the Bay Area, left their jobs, sold their home and moved to Chico for a more relaxing lifestyle.

Outside of working, Donna is very involved in volunteering at the Enloe Medical Center and is the current President of the Enloe Medical Center Volunteer Board. She feels passionately about volunteering and giving back to the community. Donna is also involved with AAUW.

When not working or volunteering, Donna enjoys spending time gardening, reading, walking, watching movies and relaxing with her husband and her incredibly intelligent kitty, Bud.

Staff News

Excellence in Culture of Learning Award—February 2, 2011
Library Staff: Morgan Brynnan, Tiyebeh Jodari, Shirleigh Brannon, and Jennifer Lasell

Conference Attendance Announcement—March 30, 2011

Service Awards—April 28, 2011
Morgan Brynnan—5 Years of Service
Shirleigh Brannon—5 Years of Service

Outstanding Student Assistant Awards—May 13, 2011
Marquis Sheppard—Reference Student Assistant
Bettyjo Wright—Circulation Student Assistant

Library Staff

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