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Fall 2007 Library Newsletter

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STURGIS LIBRARY E-NEWS

Horace W. Sturgis Library

Fall Semester 2007

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A Message from the Assistant Vice-President for the Library and Archives

A new school year always reminds me of a new book, there is so much to learn, to look forward to and to enjoy. A new book, for me, is to be enjoyed in all its parts—its binding, its jacket, its feel, its look, its smell and most of all, what it has to say.

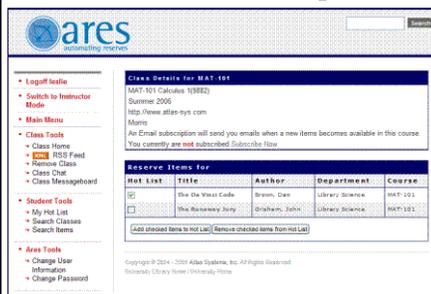
I hope that the library will be a part of your new school year and that it will offer you much from which you can learn and enjoy.



Robert Williams, Assistant Vice President for Library Services

Coming Soon: E-Reserves

This semester the library will be setting up an electronic reserves system. The Ares E-Reserve system is designed by Atlas Systems, makers of the library's ILLiad Interlibrary Loan system. With it, instructors will be able to put their reserve items online under a secure login. Material can range from PDF and Word documents, to MP3s and YouTube links.



Screenshot of the Ares E-Reserve interface, from ATLAS-SYS.

The system includes a number of useful features, such as easy access from off-campus and an email notification system so students can be informed when new items become available for a course. Students will also be able to set up a hotlink page to materials they use all the time.

Martha Henry-Croom, head of Library Circulation and Reserves, believes Ares will be functional sometime during the Fall semester. When it does, an announcement will be sent out campuswide.

Legal Research Instruction Now Being Offered

The library is now offering classes in legal research as part of the library's open instruction classes program. The instructor will be Mary Wilson, one of our reference librarians. Mary has many years of experience working for both private law firms and the federal court system as a law librarian.

The classes are open session, each with a limited seating of 30, and will last approximately 45 minutes. Each class will cover a different aspect of legal research. Previous attendance is not necessary to attend a later class.

For more information on each topic, visit the library's open class schedule at <http://www.kennesaw.edu/library/services/bibinstrophen.htm>.



Mary Wilson
Reference Librarian

Scheduled Class Topics:

- ◆ Sep 7: Sources of the Law
- ◆ Sep 12: How to do Basic Legal Research
- ◆ Sep 17: Primary Sources: Reporters & Digests
- ◆ Sep 28: Primary Sources: Statutory Law
- ◆ Oct 5: Secondary Sources
- ◆ Oct 10: Legal Research on the Internet
- ◆ Oct 15: Legal Research on LexisNexis
- ◆ Oct 26: Legal Research in Law & Psychology

How May We Help You?: Government Documents

You probably know Sturgis Library provides access to a wealth of resources for academic research and personal enrichment. But did you know the library provides easy access to a wide range of government documents?

The Federal Depository Library Program was established by Congress in 1813 "to ensure that the American public has access to its Government's information." As the depository library for the Sixth Congressional District, Sturgis Library receives government publications from all branches of government. A wealth of research material is available on such diverse subjects as demographics, government laws and regulations, career and business information, public health, and the arts. Many documents are available online through the web, thanks to the government's commitment to improving public access.

Many of the more popular websites have been gathered together on the department's list of essential online resources. In addition to federal information, the department also provides some access to local, state, foreign, and international government information.

Due to the challenges sometimes involved in finding the information you need, the government documents department also maintains a listing of search engines to help you find government information. One of the more popular is Google Unclesam, which uses Google to search .gov and .mil websites.

The library's Find A Government Document page can be seen at <http://www.kennesaw.edu/library/resources/findgovdoc.htm>.

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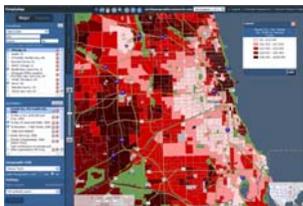
Sue Hassler
Government Documents Staff

New Database: SimplyMap

Sturgis Library has replaced iMark with a new database: SimplyMap, from Geographic Research. SimplyMap is a web-based mapping application that lets users create professional-quality thematic maps and reports using demographic, business, and marketing data.

Unlike iMark, SimplyMap is a web-based application, which allows users to use the program from anywhere. Access is through campus IP, so no password is required. Off-campus access is possible through the library's proxy server. Personalized workspaces allow you to save your work.

Please visit <http://simplymap.com/index.php> to start using this program.



SimplyMap Screenshot

SimplyMap includes nationwide data on:

- ◆ Demographic Variables: Population, Age, Race, Income, Ancestry, Marital Status, Housing, Employment, Transportation, Families, and more.
- ◆ Historical census data: including 1980, 1990 & 2000, plus current year census estimates and 5 year projections.
- ◆ Business Variables: Detailed Consumer Expenditure, Business & Employee Counts by Industry (by NAICS Code), Consumer Price Index, Quality of Life & Consumer Profiles, and Market Segments.



Spotlight on Achievements

This summer Rita Spisak completed her Master's of Library Science from Valdosta State University. Rita works at the circulation desk. With her new degree comes a new title, Librarian and Assistant Head of Circulation.

The Horace W. Sturgis Library's Rita Spisak, Chris Sharpe and Michelle Smith were on hand at the Summer 2007 American Library Association Conference, June 22-26, Washington D.C, for the initial seven-year accreditation of Valdosta State University's Master's of Library and Information Science Degree Program. VSU is currently the only library science program in the state of Georgia. The Kennesaw staff also participated in ALA's "Library Day on the Hill" and lobbied their congressmen in support of Georgia's libraries.



The Capitol Building,
Washington, D.C.

Cheryl Stiles's essay and annotated bibliography, "Different Planes of Sensuous Form," concerning poet Elizabeth Barrett Browning will appear in the fall issue of the peer-reviewed journal *Victorian Periodicals Review* (VPR). Once published in print form, the electronic version of the essay will also appear in the Project Muse database. Cheryl also has poetry forthcoming in *String Theory*, an anthology of creative works inspired by string theory in contemporary physics.

New Printing Arrangements

This semester printing in the library has been changed to reflect the way the system works elsewhere on campus. This has resulted in some changes in the way you use the library computers.

If you are a KSU student, faculty or staff member: you must now log into the library workstation using your NetID and password. To print a document, you simply select print. No popup box will appear. To claim your print jobs, go to the appropriate print station and swipe your KSU ID card. Your jobs will then print. You must use your KSU ID; guest cards will not work in this arrangement.

If you are a visitor or guest at KSU: you log into the library workstation by using the generic username librefxp, with no password. When you print, a popup box will appear on the screen. Enter a username and password in the box. Swipe your guest card at the appropriate print station to print your jobs. KSU ID cards will not work.



The new printing system in action.

If you have any trouble with the new system, ask at the reference desk for assistance.

Story Correction

In last semester's article "Spotlight on Achievement: Ethical Leadership," we stated that Amy Thompson had graduated from the Ethical Leadership Certificate Program offered by the Siegel Institute for Leadership, Ethics, and Character. This was incorrect. Ms. Thompson graduated from the Ethical Leadership Certificate program offered by the Center for University Learning, which is only endorsed by the Siegel Institute.

We regret the confusion. The purpose of the ELC program conducted out of the Center for University Learning is to provide leadership, character, and ethical development to KSU employees. More information is available through their website at <http://www.kennesaw.edu/elc/>.

Exhibition Catalog Available

The exhibition catalog for the Sturgis Library Art Gallery's summer exhibition, "Book Art; Art in Books; Books as Art," (described in the Summer edition of this newsletter) is now available. The catalog, laid out by librarian Mary Platt, provides a complete guide to the exhibit, with many of the exhibits reproduced within. It also contains essays on typographic printing, illustration, and the history of the book itself as art.

Print copies of the catalog are available at the library administration office, or by contacting Dianne Bridges at 770-423-6186. There is no cost, but supplies are limited.

The catalog can also be downloaded from the library website as a PDF file at <http://www.kennesaw.edu/library/about/benthome.htm>.



A sample page from
"Book Art; Art in Books; Books as Art"

Getting What You Need: GIL Express vs. ILLiad

Sooner or later, you'll discover the library doesn't have everything you need. But we can get it for you. Two popular services, GIL Express and ILLiad Interlibrary Loan, make that possible. Here we compare and contrast the two to help you decide which is right for your information needs.



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ILLiad
*Interlibrary
Loan*

- ◆ GIL Express requests books from other University of Georgia system libraries.
- ◆ Your KSU Library account is all you need.
- ◆ You cannot use GIL Express to request articles, journals, microfilm or microfiche, videos or DVDs, or items in special collections.
- ◆ You must request the book through the GIL Universal Catalog.
- ◆ You can renew items online with your GIL account.
- ◆ There is no charge for this service.
- ◆ Interlibrary Loan requests items from libraries worldwide.
- ◆ You must set up an ILLiad account before requesting material.
- ◆ You can request books and journal articles, as well as other items.
- ◆ You may request items through GALILEO databases, or by filling out a form online.
- ◆ You can renew items online with your ILLiad account.
- ◆ There is no charge for this service.

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