

Library News

New Campus Cash Card Option for Photocopies and Laser Printing.

Paying for photocopies and laser printing in campus libraries is now much easier. Instead of the dedicated payment stripe or standalone copy card, library patrons can use a Campus Cash debit account at photocopy machines and printing stations throughout the libraries. For details, see <http://libweb.uoregon.edu/admnpers/lcspage.html> or call the Library Copy Service, 346-1901.

Quiet Area Established. At the request of library users, the south reading room, also known as the Current Periodicals reading room, on the second floor of the Knight Library has been designated as a Quiet Area. The intent is to provide a haven for quiet and solitude for library patrons who wish to use the space for reflection and creative thinking. Signage in the library will remind users of the new Quiet Area designation.

Libraries Embark on Digitizing Venture. The UO Libraries recently announced the formation of a new unit, the Imaging Services Center (ISC), an exciting experiment in digital library services and organizational collaboration. Building on the library's long-standing involvement in preservation and leveraging advances in staff expertise and technology made through its U.S. Newspaper Project Grant, the ISC will preserve library collections through the creation of surrogates (including digital), facilitate the creation of online collections, and establish a comprehensive photographic service for the UO community. For more information, contact Lesli Larson, ISC supervisor, 346-1946, lal Larson@uoregon.edu.

FITT Center Offers Services. During the last year, the Faculty Instructional Technology Training (FITT) Center helped faculty and GTFs from a broad array of campus units learn to use appropriate instructional technologies. Visitors represented every college and school, with half coming from the College of Arts and Sciences. Blackboard courseware support requests increased, as did requests for web publishing help. Other popular services were assistance with graphics and digital imaging and with digital video and audio. FITT Center consultants also offer free personal training for scanning, presentations, CD-ROM mastering, and other useful technology tools. The FITT Center is located in Media Services, Room 19 (ground floor), Knight Library. Regular drop-in hours are Monday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., or call 346-1942 to schedule an appointment. For more information, visit <http://libweb.uoregon.edu/fittc/>.

Classroom Upgrades. The library's Media Services division continues to improve the university's general-use classrooms. During summer 2002, major equipment upgrades were made to 22 classrooms. Upgrades to another 15-20 classrooms will be completed by the start of winter term. In addition, the equipment loan pool has been expanded to include more digital still and video cameras, slide projectors, DVD players, and portable data/video projection systems. For more information, visit http://libweb.uoregon.edu/med_svc/classrooms/rooms.html or call Media Services, 346-3091.



<http://libweb.uoregon.edu>



New Library Faculty

Corey Harper is the new Catalog Management and Enrichment Team Leader. A graduate of the library science program at the University of North Carolina, Corey was a web editor for the Special Libraries Association and served as an intern for the National Institute of Environmental Health Science Library.

Kirstin Hierholzer is the new Interactive Media Project Manager for Media Services. Kirstin holds graduate degrees in education from the University of Georgia and in English from the University of Iowa. Previous to her appointment to the University of Oregon, she was a senior human factors engineer for Digimarc Corporation in Tualatin.

Karen Munro is the new Literature Librarian. She holds graduate degrees in library science from the University of British Columbia and in creative writing from the University of Iowa Writers' Workshop.

Ann Zeidman-Karpinski is the new Science and Technology Services Librarian in the Science Library. A recent recipient of a master's degree in library and information science from UCLA, Ann's previous experience includes working as a reference desk assistant at UCLA's Young Research Library, as a reference intern at the Louise Darling Biomedical Library, and as a software tester for the commercial web site, Ask Jeeves.

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Welcome to the annual issue of *FYI*, a publication intended to keep you better informed about what the UO Libraries are doing to further the university's missions of teaching, research, and service.

Carver Named Philip H. Knight University Librarian

Deborah A. Carver, associate university librarian for public services and collections since 1990, was named Philip H. Knight University Librarian effective July 1, 2002. She had served as interim university librarian since July 1, 2000, following the retirement of George W. Shipman.



Carver feels privileged to be named the leader of Oregon's largest academic library and is enthused about the future of research libraries. "The UO Libraries are well positioned to play a leadership role in the transformation underway in how we produce, organize, and share information," she says. "With our talented staff, engaged faculty, and the strong support of administrators and donors, we are empowered to continue our forward momentum at the forefront of these dramatic changes."

During Carver's time as interim university librarian, the UO Libraries surpassed development goals, participated in the first national survey to measure library service quality in academic libraries, initiated the library's first system-wide planning process, and started a campus conversation on issues related to changes in scholarly communication.

In 1999, Carver was selected as the Oregon Library Association's Librarian of the Year and has represented Oregon as an elected member of the American Library Association Council from 1998 to 2001. Carver's undergraduate degree in political science is from the University of Massachusetts. She also holds master's degrees in library science from the University of North Carolina and in public administration from the University of Virginia.

Library Web Site Redesigned

The UO Libraries' web site at <http://libweb.uoregon.edu> sports a new look this fall, offering "one-stop shopping" search features directly from the home page. The new front page allows users to immediately search three major categories of the library's offerings: UO and Other Library Catalogs, Databases and Indexes, and Guides to Resources.

The Catalog search feature lets patrons search the library's holdings immediately by title, author, subject, keyword, and call number, all without needing to visit another search page. Advanced catalog searches and searches in other specialized catalogs, such as Orbis, are also accessible from the home page.

Particularly useful to anyone looking for journal or magazine articles is the Databases & Index collection. Using convenient drop-down boxes, patrons can search the library's indexes and databases alphabetically by subject or index name. An extensive set of newly revised Research Guides, arranged alphabetically by academic discipline, can also be accessed directly from the top level of the site.

Information about the library and library services, as well as library news and listings of library events, can be easily retrieved on the home page by selecting topics from convenient drop-down menus. Most first-level pages on the library's web site have been reorganized, redesigned, and reformatted for consistency and ease of use.

Additional content and design changes will be implemented in the coming months.



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<http://libweb.uoregon.edu>

Featured Databases

LCOG Mapping Data

With data sets on tax lots, zoning, and vegetation now available for every community in Lane County, Lane Council of Governments (LCOG) mapping data has become very useful for creating local area maps and analyzing the results. For example, students can use the data sets to assess the impact of the proposed West Eugene Parkway on west Eugene wetlands by overlaying the parkway route on the affected wetland areas (see sample map).



For a complete list of LCOG data available at the UO Libraries, visit http://libweb.uoregon.edu/map/map_section/LCOG2.htm. To acquire material from the LCOG data sets, visit the Document Center reference desk. You will need to provide a blank CD-R or zip disk and some UO identification when requesting LCOG data. These data sets are restricted to use by the UO academic community and are not to be used for commercial purposes. For more information, contact Andrew Nicholson, 346-3051, anichols@darkwing.uoregon.edu.

Accunet/AP Multimedia Archive

The Accunet/AP Multimedia Archive includes approximately 750,000 current and archived photos from the library of the Associated Press. In addition, users can search within the full text of AP news releases, as well as for AP information graphics such as charts and graphs.

New Databases

Following is a list of some of the databases recently acquired by the UO Libraries. Convenient access to these and many other databases, together with a more complete description of their scope, is available at an alphabetic list of major databases at <http://libweb.uoregon.edu/dbs/indexes.php>.

Interdisciplinary Databases

American Periodical Series Online 1740–1900
Readers' Guide Retrospective 1963–1982
E-Asia Digital Library
Japanese Journal Indexes
Hawaii Pacific Journal Index
Accunet/AP Multimedia Archive
Wiley E-Journal

Humanities Databases

Design & Applied Arts Index
Catalogue of the French Biblical and Archaeological School of Jerusalem
Bibliographical Information Database in Patristics

Social Science Databases

Bibliography of Native North Americans
Digital Sanborn Maps
Lane Council of Governments GIS Data
Columbia Gazetteer of the World
Value Line Investment Survey
Business Wire News
World Markets: Country Analysis and Forecast
Current Index to Statistics
Hein Online [archive of pre-1980 legal periodicals]
Military Library Fulltext

Science Databases

Science Direct Web Editions [Elsevier journals]
SPIN Web [physics research]
Nature [the British journal]
NEC Research Index [scientific digital library]

Off-Campus Computer Access Enhanced

UO students, faculty, and staff have two new ways to connect to library databases from their off-campus computers. First, the UO Libraries now offer an alternative proxy method, a rewrite proxy, which imbeds the proxy information in the URL of a licensed database (e.g., PsycInfo) rather than requiring patrons to reconfigure their web browser (e.g., Internet Explorer). When patrons click on a URL with the rewrite proxy information, they are automatically directed to the patron authentication screen for their names and UO ID numbers. For further information, contact Sara Brownmiller, Systems Department, 346-2368.

The second recent alternative is Virtual Private Network (VPN) Access. This software, available from the UO Computing Center, allows an off-campus computer to function as if it were directly connected to the campus network. Students, faculty, and staff can access licensed UO Libraries databases without having to authenticate for each new resource or make changes to the web browser. For further information, contact the Computing Center help desk, 346-4412.

Library Catalog Enhancements

Accessing Collections in UO Departments through the UO Libraries Online Catalog. The UO Libraries Catalog Department recently began collaboration with other campus units on adding nonlibrary collections to the library's online catalog. Examples of such cooperation include the collections of the Environmental Studies Resource Center and the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Education and Support Services Program. Campus departments considering adding their collections to the UO Libraries catalog should contact Carol Hixson, head of the Catalog Department, 346-3064, chixson@oregon.uoregon.edu.

New Gains with Retrospective Conversion. Retrospective conversion is the process of turning a library's existing paper catalog records into machine-readable form that can be accessed in the online catalog. The process involves inventorying the collection, repairing materials that are in poor condition, and entering the records for these materials into the online catalog. The end result will be greatly improved access to materials added to the library's collection before 1970. For further information, visit <http://libweb.uoregon.edu/~catdept/home/retrofolder.html>.

Catalog Now Displays East Asian Languages

The UO Libraries online catalog now displays the vernacular information contained in Chinese, Japanese, and Korean (CJK) bibliographic records. This enhancement, which takes advantage of the Unicode encoding system, improves the identification and retrieval of East Asian language materials.

With various language input methods available on the public computer workstations, library users can search for CJK materials using English keywords, romanized terms, or vernacular characters. The CJK catalog records display the bibliographic data in vernacular scripts, allowing patrons to easily recognize and identify the items for which they are searching.

In addition, the OCLC WorldCat database displays CJK vernacular data in its bibliographic records. This enhancement enables library users to locate CJK materials held in libraries around the world and then request them through interlibrary loan.

For more information on CJK-language display, visit <http://libweb.uoregon.edu/systems/pubterms/help/font.html>. For assistance in searching for CJK language materials in the library's online catalog, contact Robert Felsing, East Asian bibliographer, felsing@oregon.uoregon.edu, or Daphne Wang, East Asian catalog team leader, dwang@oregon.uoregon.edu.

New Aerial Photographs in the Map Collection

The UO Libraries Map Collection recently received a complete digital set of aerial photo quadrangles covering the entire state of Oregon. Each aerial photo is in high-resolution tiff format and is ideal for geographic information system (GIS) work. The photos are also geographically referenced so images can be joined seamlessly. Most photos were taken between 1994 and 1996. The quadrangles were made available by the Oregon Geographic Information Council and contributions from donors.

The UO Libraries Aerial Photography Collection includes more than 525,000 aerial photographs of Oregon, stretching as far back as 1925. The largest repository of vertical aerial prints in the state, the collection has been built over the years through a variety of sources, including gifts from various government agencies.

For further information on the Aerial Photography Collection, visit <http://libweb.uoregon.edu/map/> or contact Andrew Nicholson, map and GIS librarian, 346-3051.