Library Renovation Update

Phase 2 of renovations to the Helen Miller Bailey Library are underway—including installation of fire alarm and security camera systems, card access readers, and data and phone lines—with completion scheduled for April 2012. Installation of book shelves started in spring semester while orders for furniture and equipment continue to be placed. In order to be able to move in time to open for summer 2012, the RFID tagging project was begun in December and throughout January librarians weeded outdated and damaged items from the warehoused collection currently at the Firestone location in South Gate.

New and Discontinued Databases

Because of the State-wide subscription to a general article database funded by the CCC System Office, we are fortunate to add a suite of resources from EBSCO including Academic Search Premier, America-History & Life, Business Source Elite, Health Source Nursing Edition, Medline, Newspaper Source Plus, Professional Development [for educators], Psychology & Behavioral Sciences, Regional Business News and Religion & Philosophy.

We subscribed to a package deal from Gale that enabled us to add 2 databases, Global Issues in Context and U.S. History in Context, at less cost than we used to pay a la carte for our other databases.

By participating in NewsBank’s study of college student usage of their product, we gain the use of the Access World News Research database for up to a year.

We have maintained our subscriptions to online reference works such as Grove’s Dictionaries of Art and of Music by applying the respective departments’ book funds to these ebooks.

Databases discontinued from spring 2012 onwards are eBrary, Small Business Center and History Study Center. Databases to be dropped from summer 2012 on are Job & Career Accelerator, LearningExpress and LexisNexis.

For the foreseeable future, discipline specific databases will need to be funded by departments. We now maintain two databases funded by departmental grants: ARTstor and WorldTrade Ref.

We welcome your feedback.
Services for Faculty

**Textbook and Course Reserves:** Help students save money and complete reading assignments. Add your textbook and other course materials to the Library's Course Reserves. Bring your faculty library card or apply for one at the Circulation Desk.

**Library Instruction:** Class orientations cannot be provided in the temporary library due to space limitations. Contact instruction librarians Amy Guy (323) 267-3775 or Erika Montenegro (323) 415-5008 to discuss alternatives such as an online research guide [http://researchguides.elac.edu](http://researchguides.elac.edu) built specifically for your course or refer students to workshops to learn basic research skills.

**Spring Faculty Workshop:** Earn flex credit and learn how to navigate the new EBSCOhost databases with Instruction Librarians Erika Montenegro and Amy Guy on Monday, March 5, 2012 from 12:15 - 1:15pm in the TLC (D-7).

**Book and DVD Suggestions:** Submit suggestions for books and DVDs online at [http://library.elac.edu](http://library.elac.edu) | Online Forms>. For book questions contact Ran Gust, (323) 265-8628; for DVD questions contact Choonhee Rhim, (323) 265-8625. Check the status of previous year's book orders at [http://library.elac.edu](http://library.elac.edu) | Faculty Services | Acquisitions>.

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Services for Students

**Research Help Desk:** Refer students to the Research Help Desk for assistance with their assignments. They can call or visit the desk in-person during our regular hours. **Main campus:** (323) 415-4134; **South Gate:** (323) 357-6214.

**Library Workshops:** Refer students to our workshops to learn basic research skills. Note that fewer workshops will be offered this semester so that librarians can prepare for the move back to the renovated library. For more information visit [http://researchguides.elac.edu/libraryworkshops](http://researchguides.elac.edu/libraryworkshops)

**Online Library Workshop Registration:** Instruct students to register online at [http://library.elac.edu/enroll](http://library.elac.edu/enroll) to reserve their space. **Seats go quickly!**

**24/7 Research Chat Help:** ELAC students are only one click away from a librarian. ELAC students can chat live online with a librarian for research help. Visit the library homepage at [http://library.elac.edu](http://library.elac.edu) | Getting Help and scroll down to Research Help from Question Point Chat Service>.

**Online Library Tutorial:** We’re working hard to make sure all students have access to library resources by offering self-paced library tutorials on research needs like “choosing a topic,” “finding books,” and “citing sources.” Check it out at [http://library.elac.edu](http://library.elac.edu) | Tutorials & Research Guides | ELAC Library Online Tutorial>.

**Research Guides:** Did you know we can create customized online research guides for students to access 24/7? Give your students the specialized help they deserve by contacting Amy Guy (guyal@elac.edu) or Erika Montenegro (montene@elac.edu). Explore guides on a variety of subjects at [http://researchguides.elac.edu](http://researchguides.elac.edu).