Renovation of Helen Miller Bailey Library

The Modernization Project began on December 14, 2009. The renovation will include an expansion of the building by 11,850 sq. ft., an interior design more conducive to study, and upgraded service areas. The project team is working hard to enable the updated Helen Miller Bailey Library to reopen by Spring 2012.

Since beginning the initial demolitions phase of the project, the bridge to the F5 building and all planters and trees around the North, East and West sides of the library have been removed. By Summer 2010, the demolition of all interior and some exterior walls and the underground electrical, telecommunications and plumbing work are expected to be completed. We eagerly look forward to the day when we can once again call the Helen Miller Bailey Library the hub of academic resources on campus.

See a rendering of the modernized library building below or on the library website http://library.elac.edu.

Questions?
Contact the Library Chair, Choonhee Rhim, at rhimcl@elac.edu or (323) 265-8625.

New* Online Job Search Database

LearningExpress Job & Career Accelerator™ provides personalized, step-by-step assistance for job seekers at all experience and education levels. It enables the exploration and matching of suitable occupations from over 1,000 detailed profiles and searching of available jobs from a database of over 5 million up-to-date job postings. In addition, users can easily create professional résumés and cover letters, master interviewing and networking techniques, improve work related skills, and prepare for occupation-related exams.

To find out more about how you can access Job & Career Accelerator, email or call Randall Gust (gustrg@elac.edu or 323-265-8628) or stop by and ask any librarian for more information.

* Since J&CA was available at a pre-release subscription of $700 per year in perpetuity but is now priced at @$3K, we decided to give it a try for a year.
Library Workshops Continue in Temporary Library

The Helen Miller Bailey Library is temporarily located in the Fitness Center (C1-128) of the Men’s Gym.

Librarians continue to conduct library workshops, which were attended by over 600 students during the fall semester.

In our new confines, workshops have entirely replaced orientations previously conducted for individual courses. Working in teams to complete hands-on activities, students learn how to use the library’s resources. Students receive extra credit by turning in a completed worksheet.

Yes, answers are checked for accuracy, a process that holds students accountable for their learning and encourages greater engagement in the one-hour workshops.

If you would like to learn more about the workshops, please contact Amy Guy at (323) 267-3775 or guyal@elac.edu to discuss which workshops will best meet your students’ research needs. For information on South Gate workshops, please contact Gabriella Lopez at (323) 357-6214 or lopezgm@elac.edu. Or visit the library website to access the spring schedule: http://library.elac.edu/.

Need a Student Research Guide for your Course Assignment?

The library subscribes to LibGuides, a website that allows librarians to create user-friendly research guides for students. The guides can teach students how to search the library catalog and databases and recommend appropriate sources for a given assignment.

Check out the research guides recently created for Art 101/102 and English 101. To view the guides, please visit http://researchguides.elac.edu.

If you would like an individualized guide created for your course or discipline, please contact ELAC’s instruction librarian, Amy Guy at (323) 267-3775 or guyal@elac.edu.
Refer Your Students to the Library’s Online Tutorial

Are your students too busy to attend library workshops? If so, no need to fret, the library has an alternative. Our newly updated online tutorial allows students to work independently, at their own pace, 24/7 to learn research skills, such as narrowing a topic, understanding article databases and scholarly journals, reading citations, and avoiding plagiarism.

The interactive tutorial offers scored quizzes and provides real-time feedback. Students can print out their scores as proof of completion.

Access the tutorial at http://library.elac.edu/elaclib/.

Intern and Volunteer Librarians

Christine Bennett, a graduate student in UCLA’s Library & Information Science (MLIS) program, will intern at the library during the spring semester. Interested in academic librarianship in a community college setting, Christine will learn to provide library instruction and reference services.

Michael Habata, a recent UCLA MLIS graduate, will continue as a volunteer, practicing library instruction and reference services.

South Gate Educational Center Library

Come try out our new computers or use your laptop on the wireless network! We continue to provide books, DVDs, periodicals, and electronic databases for students and faculty. A librarian is available to help you make the best use of our print or electronic sources. More in-depth instruction is offered through topical workshops to teach students fundamental research skills.*

The SGEC Library can be found in Room 124.

* Instructors please note that we no longer offer orientations for classes. However, we have added a general library orientation.
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Containers hold ELAC books

Spring Hours

Helen Miller Bailey Library
Monday - Thursday:
8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

South Gate Educational Center Library
Monday - Thursday:
9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday: 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Artist's Vision of renovated Helen Miller Bailey Library