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2019-2020 Annual Report By the Numbers

Murray Library

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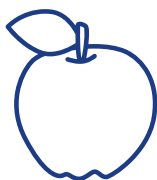
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16,820
Checkouts



572,359
Database Searches



217
Information Literacy Sessions



1,357
Reference Questions



600+
Attendees at 10 Library events



1,915
Interlibrary Loan items borrowed

Highlights



Purchased Adam Matthew primary source database with 88 worldwide collections



Pivoted to contact-less pick-up of library materials during COVID-19 closure

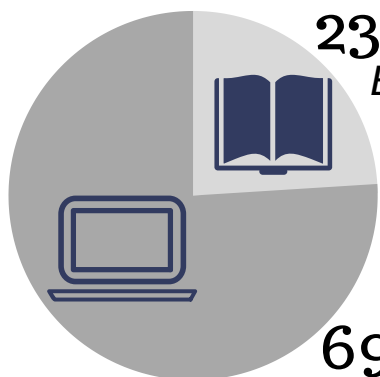


Expanded available study space with removal of unused periodical shelving



5 Newsletters and 14 issues of *Murray in a Hurry*

The Collection



239,748
Books

699,650
*e-Books**

8,813
Sound Recordings

11,147
Scores

12,328
DVDs/Blu-ray

481,259
Periodicals

120,265
Streaming videos

Most used databases

Ebook Central ebooks -
Academic Search Ultimate -
JSTOR - PsycInfo -
ScienceDirect

Most checked out items

Book: *Commentary on the Gospel of Matthew*, by Craig S. Keener
DVD: *Girl, interrupted.*

*Not all are owned; all are accessible

MURRAY LIBRARY

How has Murray Library contributed to your academic success?

Having the database access is essential to an online graduate student. I would be unable to do this program without it.

- GRADUATE STUDENT

I use a lot of articles for assignments and my thesis. The library either has access to them or I can get them quickly through ILL.

- GRADUATE STUDENT

Not only has the library provided amazing resources for papers and studies... but they also have provided essential study spaces.

- UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT

Good resources both in books and people

- UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT

Provided me a quiet place to study, as well as help with citing sources using the online chat function.

- UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT

Offers a quiet, relaxed, good place to study effectively

- UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT

In what ways has the library contributed to students' academic successes?

Access to technical resources, consultation on research, and access to open access textbooks.

- EDUCATOR

Quiet places to study, the friendliness of the staff and Librarians, and the access to multiple resources (databases, printers, books)

- EDUCATOR

Quality resources, research assistance in person and with chat, inviting spaces for study

- EDUCATOR