Murray Library September 2021 Newsletter

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Director’s Corner

NEW COLLECTION COMING!

Messiah’s theme this year is “Reconciliation”. President Phipps has defined it as “a journey of listening, lamenting and allowing our hearts and minds to connect with people’s stories of pain, marginalization and injustice”. I am grateful for the opportunity I had to be a part of the 2021 Civil Rights Bus Tour, which opened my eyes and heart in a deeper way to painful injustices that are part of our history as a country. I am pleased to announce that the library has recently received a collection of children’s books related to the Civil Rights Movement by Dr. Todd, Lonette, and Bryce Allen. We anticipate having this special collection available in the spring semester in a location that is inviting, accessible, and educational. Our desire is that this collection can be used in a variety of ways to provide historically accurate, visually appealing, and age-appropriate narratives children can relate to. Stay tuned for further details in the coming months!

What’s New at the Library?

Murray Library has moved to the cloud and into the 21st century. This past summer we said goodbye to our library catalog of almost 20 years and welcomed PRIMO. Instead of information silos of library catalog, article databases, ebooks, MOSAIC, etc. you can search across platforms in one search box. You can refine your search by format, date, database, language, and so much more. PRIMO makes finding all of our library resources much easier for you!

Friendly E-Receipts and Reminders

Have you ever checked out a book and forgotten the due date? Murray Library’s new catalog now sends all patrons an e-receipt after every visit to the Circulation Desk. This convenient, new service is helpful for busy people who might need a friendly reminder and it saves paper, too. You’ll also receive reminders when the due date is approaching or if you get a fee on your account. Please be mindful to return items to the 24/7 outside drop box (located to the right of the front doors) or to the Circulation Desk. You can also check your online library account in Primo to renew and check the due date of outstanding items at any time. Questions can be emailed to circulationdesk@messiah.edu.

Have a Question?

Reference Librarians can be reached by chat, phone, and email. Visit our Ask a Librarian webpage for more information.
**PA GOAL Grant**

Murray Library, in coordination with the Athletic Training and Applied Health Sciences programs, was awarded a grant from Pennsylvania Grants for Open and Affordable Learning (PA GOAL). PA GOAL is funded through the Governor’s Emergency Education Relief Fund and is coordinated through the Pennsylvania Academic Library Consortium, Inc. The grant will be used to expand database content and access to the McGraw-Hill AccessPhysiotherapy and the FA Davis Athletic Training databases. E-Textbooks within these databases were chosen and will be used in eight selected courses this academic year. Students in those courses are expected to save thousands of dollars in textbook costs due to the availability of these textbooks in these expanded library resources. Use and student survey data will be used for future subscription decisions. The library wishes to thank faculty in these programs as well as the Office of Finance and Planning, and the Office of Development for their assistance in applying for and using these funds to reduce student textbook costs.

**September Exhibits**

This month on the Great Reads shelf, we are celebrating this year’s theme of Reconciliation. Come browse books that focus on forgiveness and reconciliation of our neighbors near and far, as well as God’s creation.

During the month of September in our large display area, we are featuring an exhibit that highlights the anthropology and history of currency that was curated by Business Professor Emil Berendt.

The Kathy T. Hettinga Student Artists’ Book Archive at Murray Library was created from the extensive student book art created under her direction. These works reveal the surprising depths of meaning and beauty created by her students. Come see a sampling of books on display in our vitrines.
Would your department, office, or campus organization like to curate a display in the library? We routinely put together displays that are exhibited for a month at a time. You pick the month and the theme and Murray Library provides the space. Various types of spaces are available: trophy case, vitrines, foyer display area and document cases.

See photos of the spaces: [https://libguides.messiah.edu/events/exhibit](https://libguides.messiah.edu/events/exhibit). Email Kimberly Steiner with your interest at ksteiner@messiah.edu.

**Trophy Case Display: Messiah University History**

Messiah University now offers access to streaming movies for academic use, obtained through Swank Digital Campus. Swank partners with major Hollywood studios, documentary providers, independent filmmakers and international film companies to provide a diverse library of more than 25,000 films and TV shows, including titles like “Dunkirk,” “Moonlight,” “To Kill a Mockingbird” and “An Inconvenient Truth.” The wide range of titles ensures all academic departments can find the movies needed to promote active and engaged learning in their classrooms. To browse the available trailers, see [https://www.swank.com/digital-campus/movies-tv/](https://www.swank.com/digital-campus/movies-tv/) and contact your librarian to add the film.

**Mosaic reaches around the globe**

Content from Mosaic, Messiah’s institutional repository, has reached readers in 192 countries! Each month, thousands are finding quality scholarly, professional, or archival materials online from Messiah authors - educators and students. Readers obtain free and open access to nearly all this information without any paywalls or barriers. Most of the content is discovered through Google and Google Scholar searches. Journal articles, master’s theses, and conference presentations are just a sampling of what can be found in Mosaic. So far 4,660 items have been added to the collection. These have been accessed 64,680 times! To be part of Mosaic, educators can submit their CV and students can ask for more information at mosaic@messiah.edu. Check it out for yourself at [https://mosaic.messiah.edu/](https://mosaic.messiah.edu/)

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