Graduate Teaching Assistant Award

In 2009, the Centre for Teaching and Learning established two awards to assist graduate students who are pursuing a degree in any field, and in particular to recognize and honour exemplary teaching by graduate students at the University of Regina.

CTL is pleased to announce Mr. Dylan Ludwig, Philosophy and Classics, recipient of the 2012 Graduate Teaching Award valued at $1,000 and Miss Chantal Zimmer, Kinesiology and Health Studies the 2012 recipient of the Graduate Teaching Assistant Award valued at $500. Congratulations to both of you. Information on these awards can be found on the CTL website.

Visit our Archival Digital Resources

Archives and Special Collections has a growing list of digital resources. In addition to our on-line finding aids, which serve as guides to many of the archival materials we hold, Archives and Special Collections is actively digitizing materials from our collections.

Florence A. Kirk: Letters from China, 1932-1950

Florence Kirk taught English at Ginling College in China. Raised on a homestead in Saskatchewan, China was an exotic adventure that Florence documented with letters home to family and friends. 413 letters, consisting of about 2700 pages, are presented here. The letters provide a compelling, captivating, and profoundly moving account of life in China during a tumultuous period of its modern history.

oURspace

An institutional repository for scholarly literature, research results, official communications, and materials which define the cultural context of the University of Regina, its faculty, researchers, staff, and students.

Regina College – An Historical Timeline

A detailed timeline of the evolution of Regina College from the early 20th century to 1959. The timeline is augmented with selections from general calendars, yearbooks, student newspapers and other publications. Also included are photographs and a set of interactive maps.

Spectacle, Sport & Story: Picturing the 1936 Olympics

This short film features a set of 1936 Olympic trading cards from the Theodore Heinrich collection. It tells the story of the winter and summer games that were both held in Nazi Germany.

Wish You Were Here

Website of over 4,500 postcards found in eleven archives throughout Saskatchewan, including the University of Regina.

Library Hours 2012

Library Hours Spring/Summer
Monday-Thursday 8:00am-8:00pm
Friday 8:00am-5:00pm
Saturday & Sunday 10:00am-6:00pm

Library Closures
Monday, May 21st, 2012
Monday, July 2nd, 2012
Monday, August 6th, 2012
Monday, September 3rd, 2012
Laptop Loans

What: Can’t find a free computer in the Library? Come and borrow a laptop and do your research from one of our new lounge areas.

When: During Library open hours.

Where: Present your UofR ID card at the Borrowing Desk on the main floor of the Library.

New! On-Site Copyright Support

What: On-site copyright support for faculty, students, and staff.

Who: Christina Winter, Copyright Officer.

Where: ED 246, Education Building.

When: Monday afternoons from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

New Labs/Instructional Spaces Now Open!

We are pleased to announce that our new state-of-the-art labs/instructional spaces are now available for use. The labs/instructional spaces (LY 107.32 and LY 107.33) are located on the main floor. Bookings are normally reserved for Library and CTL instruction sessions. For more information contact the Audio Visual/Micromaterials Desk at 585.5102 or email libmicro@uregina.ca. These spaces are open for general student use when not booked for workshop/instructional purposes. Each room has 40 laptops, a wifi access point, 4 HD Displays that can be shared or mirrored, and more!

Visit our webpage for more details.

Featured Database

This month’s featured database is Lexis Nexis - Quick Law. As of July 1, 2012 the Archer Library will be switching from LawSource to Lexis Nexis and Quicklaw.

As a resource for anyone seeking legal or legislative information, Lexis Nexis - Quicklaw is a comprehensive tool. It provides an extensive collection of full-text court and tribunal decisions and case law summaries, a rich collection of expert commentary and legal analysis, comprehensive legislative collections for every province and territory, searchable US and international patents, and more.

LexisNexis—Quicklaw is also an excellent resource for research in areas of business and finance. The Company Dossiers tool includes detailed company profiles with seamless linking to court documents and financial reports, news items, journal articles, and more.

Lexis-Nexis—Quicklaw is also an excellent resource for news items, indexing over 350 newspapers from around the world, and broadcast transcripts from major American networks.

Interested in learning more? Contact your liaison librarian for a personalized walk-through, or contact the reference desk.

CTL: First Nations and Métis Students

The Centre for Teaching and Learning is pleased to announce that an updated edition of our popular First Nations and Métis Students: A Faculty Guide has just been released on our web site.

This publication, first issued in 2001, is a collaborative effort by many staff both past and present at the University of Regina Centre for Teaching and Learning, the First Nations University of Canada, and the Gabriel Dumont Institute. It provides demographic information and a historical overview of Aboriginal people in Saskatchewan, information about teaching from an Aboriginal perspective and facilitating the success of Aboriginal students, as well as details about services and resources at the three partner institutions.
Ask a Copyright Officer!

Ask a Copyright Officer is a new monthly column devoted to all things copyright. Copyright news and questions will be answered and discussed in this column. If you have a question you would like addressed in this column please send an email to christina.winter@uregina.ca.

Can I post a PDF copy of a journal article to the University’s course management system?

It depends. The licences for some e-journals provided by the Library allow instructors to upload articles into secure course management systems such as UR Courses. Before you upload a journal article, make sure to check the journal’s term of use. Click here for details about terms of use for specific library journals. Alternatively, you can provide your students with a direct or persistent link to the article. For further information about creating persistent links, see the UR Courses Toolkit.

If you have a copyright question, want to book a private consultation or group presentation on copyright, please contact Christina Winter, Copyright Officer by email, by phone at 585-4642, or visit her in her office at the Archer Library, Room LY 611.21.

Please note that the information provided in this newsletter does not constitute legal advice.

Celebrating Success

Barbara Nelke, (Head, Library Technical Services and Collections) has been invited to present at the Tenth International Conference on the Book in Barcelona, Spain. This conference includes some of the world’s leading thinkers and innovators in the areas of publishing, editing, librarianship, printing, authoring and information technologies, and will run from June 30th - July 1st, 2012.

Barbara’s presentation topic is “E-books Terms of Use: The Bone of Contention between Publishers and Users of Academic Libraries”, which will focus on the minimal cooperation between publishers, vendors and libraries to set up an agreeable way to manage e-book permissions and licenses.

Abstract:

“Academic libraries have been important stakeholders in the publishing market and this has not changed. However, publishers do not impose restrictions on borrowing print titles. Why are e-books treated differently? The transition from print to electronic journals has been less complicated; in general, we used to receive one issue of a serial and now we have unlimited access to ejournals. A similar model could be developed for e-books. What would be the goal from the perspective of academic libraries? Providing titles available across all platforms with unlimited access and less expensive than print.”

Please join us in congratulating Barbara on this achievement and wish her well in Barcelona!

RefWorks

Ever get annoyed trying to keep track of all those citations that you want to use in your paper? RefWorks to the rescue! RefWorks is a web-based bibliography and database manager that allows users to create their own personal database by importing reference from online databases. RefWorks will help you organize your research projects and even help format your paper and bibliography in various citation styles.

Never used RefWorks before? Try out their helpful video tutorials.

Welcome to LibGuides

LibGuides are research guides that are put together by librarians at the University of Regina. LibGuides are categorized by subject area. There are LibGuides for specific classes as well as subject areas. If you want to find out and learn more about specific library resources related to your area of study this is a great place to start!

Visit the UofR LibGuides.

Pinterest

What: Pinterest is a virtual pinboard which allows you to organize and share images. The Archer Library recently opened their own Pinterest account and are excited to start sharing new book jackets, staff book picks, display and event pictures, and much more!

Follow us on Pinterest.
**SimplyMap Canada**

*SimplyMap Canada* is a web-based mapping application that allows researchers to create thematic maps and reports using Canadian demographic, business and consumer data. It does not require GIS experience.

*SimplyMap Canada* provides the following nationwide data, sourced from publishers such as Statistics Canada, Environics Analytics Group, and D&B (Dun & Bradstreet):

- **Comprehensive Census Data**: including 2006 data plus current year estimates and 5 year projections.
- **Consumer Variables**: Household Expenditure Potential based upon the Statistics Canada Survey of Household Spending. Also, PRIZM C2, a consumer segmentation system that classifies all Canadians into one of 66 lifestyle/consumer types based on the most important drivers of consumer behaviour: demographics, lifestyles and values.
- **Business Data**: data on over 1.3 million Canadian businesses including legal name, business name, NAIC codes, address, telephone number, web address, and general description, as well as sales and employee size values.

Maps can be exported as high-resolution images to use in reports and presentations. Data can be exported into Microsoft Excel worksheets and Microsoft Word documents for further functionality.

For more information, please contact Spatial and Numeric Data Services -- spatial@uregina.ca. Watch for the announcement of a webinar in the near future on how to use *SimplyMap Canada*.

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**New! Noise Zones in the Archer Library**

**What**: Study zones in the Archer Library, with acceptable noise levels for different kinds of library use.

- Green Zone for group study
- Yellow Zone for quiet study
- Red Zone for silent study

**Who**: We welcome your feedback!

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kate Cushon, liaison librarian.