WELCOME

I am pleased to welcome you to the University Library, located in the Dr. John Archer Library building on the North side of campus. The Library is a key centre on campus that offers a wide variety of innovative programs and services that support the University’s research and teaching activities. Scholarly information is accessible in a variety of formats from on- and off-campus locations. Knowledgeable Library employees provide a range of reference, research and instructional services that respond to the diverse information needs of our University community. I invite you to explore the Library’s website for information on the many initiatives the Library is currently engaged in and for details regarding Library programs and services.

Our goal is to continue to fine-tune Library programs and services, and the Library’s virtual and physical spaces to meet the changing needs of Library users. New for Fall Semester 2014, an integrated services area on the Main Floor will allow a more seamless and consistent level of service for Library users, and for longer periods.

The University Library is a part of a broader academic unit that includes the University Archives, the Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL), Copyright, the President’s Advisory Committee on Art, University Records and Information Management, and the coordination of enterprise academic software. Information on each program area is available on the web and in upcoming issues of @Archer.

In closing, I wish you the very best this academic year and hope you will enjoy your experience at the Library.

Best,

William Sgrazzutti
University Librarian
The recipient of the 2014 Dr. John Archer Library Award is Avnee Paranjape. Ms. Paranjape just completed her third year of the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) and Bachelor of Science in Biology programs. Avnee won $1,000 for writing the best one page reflective essay about how she used the Library’s resources and services to complete her research project for Dr. Susan Johnston’s English 349 Methods in Literary History course.

A private photo-op ceremony took place in the Library on April 23. University Librarian Bill Sgrazzutti presented Ms. Paranjape with a Library Award certificate. Avnee also posed with the new Library Award Trophy that is on permanent display by the Library’s entrance. Also in attendance at the ceremony was Dr. Rick Kleer, Dean of the Faculty of Arts. Photos of the ceremony, a copy of Ms. Paranjape’s reflective essay, and her graded English 349 assignment are in oURspace (University of Regina’s institutional repository).

The Dr. John Archer Library Award will be available to undergraduate students who are enrolled full-time in the 2014-15 academic year. Faculty are encouraged to have students in their undergraduate courses apply for the award if they receive a minimum of 70% for a graded research project. Details about the award are on the library’s website. The award’s online application form will be available through the Student Awards and Financial Aid Office early in the Winter 2015 semester. For more information, please contact Michael Shires or call 306.585.5418.

WIN A KINDLE FIRE THIS FALL!

Would you like the chance to win a brand new, still in the box, Kindle Fire HD? Do you possess mad rhyming skills and poetic finesse? Well then the University of Regina Library has a contest for you. All you have to do is formulate a “book spine poem.”

What is a book spine poem you ask? It is a poem compiled using the titles of books to make a poem.

The rules are simple:
1. The author must be a student enrolled in the Fall 2014 semester.
2. The poem must be fashioned from books found in the University of Regina Library (Main).
3. A minimum of four books to compose poem.
4. Take a picture at the “Kindle Contest Station” on the main floor of the library beside the Library Help Desk.
5. Send the picture to library.promotions@uregina.ca with contact information:
   - Full Name
   - Student ID
   - email
   - Phone Number (optional)

THE GREAT WAR

1914: A Turning Point in History and Culture Centenary Reflections at the University of Regina resumes in fall 2014. The Library will be hosting 3 of the 4 lectures and details are at 1914: A Turning Point in History and Culture Centenary Reflections at the University of Regina.

Lectures will be held in the Regina and Wascana Rooms (LY 107.32 & LY 107.33). Podcasts of the lectures are being archived in oURspace.
BUFFALO HIDE ARTWORK @ARCHER

The Library has a new art installation of two buffalo hide paintings by artist Keith Bird on the main floor. The works were purchased by President Timmons in 2012 and framed by the Assiniboia Gallery. The hides are held in the frames with rare earth magnets. It took 7 people to lift the frames onto the brackets. The largest painting is over 350 pounds and 93 inches wide. The green and pink tapestry will stay in the Library and be re-installed on the east end of the floor.

The painting by the elevator lobby is entitled "Spotted Thunder Healer," and the one installed across from Archives is "The Clans". The first painting in this series, entitled "Elk Whistle," is in the Aboriginal Student Centre.

“The Spotted Thunderbird Healer” is encircled by the circle of life which is held by a thunderbird. Both the thunderbird and the healer are servants of the Creator, one helping the other. The healer has one foot in reality and one foot extending into the spirit world, as he walks in two worlds. All of this on top of a double-headed coyote which depicts that, no matter that it is a singularity, all is one with the universe. The medium used is oil on buffalo hide.

“The Clans” is a depiction of only one of the clans as there are too many to depict in one painting. The clan that is being depicted is the Bear clan, which is the strength within the clan. The white line through the bear on the left side differentiates between male and female within the clan. The four red circles depict the sun, which is the symbol of life within Aboriginal society. The sun is in front and also behind showing that life encompasses all. The medium used is oil on buffalo hide.

NEW DATABASES

Met Opera on Demand: Student Access
This resource offers users instant access to more than 475 full-length Metropolitan Opera performances, including HD videos from the Met's award-winning Live in HD series of movie theater transmissions, and more.

Digital Theatre Plus
DigitalTheatre Plus showcases live British theatre productions shot in high definition. Featured theatre companies included the Royal Shakespeare Company, the English Touring Theatre, and the Royal Court Theatre.

ODESI (Ontario Data Documentation, Extraction Service and Infrastructure)
ODESI is a digital repository for social science data, including polling data. A web-based data exploration, extraction and analysis tool, it uses the Data Documentation Initiative (DDI) social science data standard.

New education databases including:

Kids InfoBits
Discovering Collection
Junior Edition
Student Edition
Kid's Edition
Our subject liaison librarians are experts in the information resources in their subject areas and can tailor their teaching to meet the specific needs of your course and assignments.

LIBRARY INSTRUCTION PROGRAM

On February 13, 2014, the University of Saskatchewan, the University of Regina, and SIAST entered into an agreement which allows current faculty, staff, and students to borrow up to 25 items from any participating library. They may also return borrowed items to any participating library.

The University of Saskatchewan and the University of Regina have enjoyed inter-institutional borrowing privileges as part of the Council of Prairie and Pacific University Libraries reciprocal borrowing agreement for many years. This new program brings SIAST into the mix.

For more information, please refer to the Memorandum of Understanding Reciprocal Borrowing Program.

Our subject liaison librarians are experts in the information resources in their subject areas and can tailor their teaching to meet the specific needs of your course and assignments. Topics covered range from specific search tools (Library Catalogue, Summon, subject-specific databases, etc.) to more conceptual sessions on analyzing an information need, constructing a search strategy, evaluating information sources, and ethical use of information. Instruction sessions can be delivered in a library computer lab, in your classroom, or online using Adobe Connect and, depending on location, can be hands-on or lecture-style workshops.

We put a lot of work into our teaching, and liaison librarian instruction schedules fill quickly, so we do require two weeks notice prior to your preferred instruction date. Contact your librarian as soon as possible to book your session for Fall 2014 to avoid disappointment!

POP-UP LIBRARIAN

We know you can’t always make it to the Library, especially in between classes! Starting this October librarians will be “popping-up” around campus to help you with your research and citation questions.

Keep an eye out for us and make sure to stop by our table!
Faculty are also encouraged to refer students to the Library Instruction calendar for more information about drop-in sessions on library searching, MLA/APA Styles, and other topics.

References


INFORMATION MATTERS

Archives & Special Collections in the University Library is leading the development and implementation of a university-wide records and information management (RIM) program.

The RIM website is a great place to go for information about managing your university records. Check it out for tips on the retention and disposition of the paper and electronic information in your care, and for more details on the services provided by the RIM program. The website is also home to all records schedules that have been approved for use at the University to date. Stay tuned...more content will be added to the site as the RIM program develops.

Please feel free to contact us at 306-585-4014 or archives@uregina.ca if you would like more information about records and information management.

ONE-STOP HELP

After almost a year of planning and preparation, the University of Regina Library is excited to announce the opening of its new integrated services desk – the Library Help Desk.

Reference, borrowing and reserve services are now all provided from the new desk. This provides a more seamless and consistent level of service for Library users, and extends full service hours. Library User Services staff have relocated to the Main Floor, making them more accessible to Library users during peak service periods.

We are excited to be implementing this new service model, which is all about efficiency and organization of staff and services for student benefit.

If there are any questions regarding this project, please contact the Archer Library Administrative Office at 306-585-4295 or archer.admin@uregina.ca
The University of Regina Archives & Special Collections are happy to announce the recent changes to their online Institutional Repository – oURspace. These modifications give a fresh new look to the archival site and facilitate easier access to content within the digital collections. With a new search engine that displays guided navigation of related content by various categories, as well as regular search hits, users can find a broader scope of material. Whether for research or personal reference, searching into the digital history of the University of Regina has never been easier.

In oURspace you can find an abundance of materials, both scholarly and cultural, related to the University of Regina. These materials range from recorded lectures and presentations, to academic papers and publications, theses, electronic newsletters, University announcements, and other various digital assets. All major centres, institutes, faculties and departments are represented, as are the administrative, organizational and student body aspects of the University.

TASTY TIPS AT ARCHER LIBRARY

SERVICES MAIN MENU
There's nothing better than “home” cooking. For a complete sampling of our services, feast from the library home page.

APPETIZERS
Teaching Taters
Call library staff for catering services to deliver education packages to suit your needs. Dine on a selection of library guides or experience the online tutorials. Have a one on one experience or register for one of the classes offered.

MAINS
Library HELP Desk stir-fry
This sizzling, fresh blend of reference, reserves, checkouts, renewals, laptop and ipad lending, room booking and more will keep you healthy and always coming back for more. Sheer delight!!!

Database Buffet
A classic favorite served with a medley of databases that can be accessed electronically from your home, office, or the library. Separately they’re great! But mixing together the flavors of full text and electronic journals gives you a truly unique and wonderful tasty sensation.

Archive and Special Collection Sandwich
This sandwich preserves, promotes, and provides access to the recorded academic and cultural heritage of the University of Regina. It is layered with original documents and topped with rare, valuable, cultural and historical materials.

SPECIAL
Poster Genius Burger
This burger available on library laptops will help you make a poster in less than 10 minutes. It is filled with wizards and templates. By adding your own images and colours you will dazzle your audience with a perfect poster.

DESSERT
Inter Library Loan Ice-cream Sundae
This sweet service is designed to top off your information tastes. If we can’t fill you up from our local menu, then we will go off-site to get you exactly what you need. We will whip up any special order!

Helping of Pie
This pie is loaded with contact information. You have a choice of phoning, e-mailing, messaging and filling in the “I need help” form.