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Fall 2018 Newsletter

From the Dean

Kaufman Library has been committed to student success since its inception and continues to seek ways to meet student and faculty learning, teaching, and research needs. This newsletter documents the many initiatives and events the Library has been engaged in during the summer and fall as we continue to serve as a campus partner in academic success. Highlights include improvements to library space, subscription resources assessment, new study room reservation system, new faculty liaison program, addition of virtual reference assistance, the Faculty Scholarship and Creativity Celebration event, faculty publications added to the collection, student engagement activities, and staff news.

Your feedback regarding library resources, services, and space is always welcome. Please contact me or drop by the Library Administration Suite. I look forward to talking with you!

Sincerely,
Barb Mann
Dean of Library Services



Subscription Resources Assessment

During the last fiscal year, the Kaufman Library embarked on a multi-month process to review all subscription resources in an effort to be good stewards of state funds during a challenging budget cycle. Dean Mann and the Collections Department partnered to design the collaborative approach process that allowed Kaufman Library faculty and staff to work with faculty across campus. By doing so, faculty were able to provide input in the renewal process to ensure that library resources continue to meet the curricular needs of the GGC community.

The review process included extensive data collection and data analysis on hundreds of resources by the Kaufman Library Collections Department, with library faculty and staff performing an initial review of the findings. Following that review, Dean Mann and Head of Collections Vicki Parsons met with each Dean across campus to discuss the data and develop a resource renewal plan. The Head of Collections convened follow up meetings with smaller groups of faculty to cover any remaining questions. This process proved to be a resounding success, and the Kaufman Library plans to make it an annual activity!

Library Website Redesign

During the spring and summer semesters, with the help of Digital Communications from the Office of Strategic Communications and Positioning, the library revamped the homepage of the [library website](#). For this iteration, we identified our most valuable services and resources and organized them under the headings Resources, Services, and Space. We are planning on conducting usability testing next spring in order to make further improvements on the layout and navigation of our website.

Improvements to Kaufman Library Space

This fall has brought the culmination of changes to some of the space in Kaufman Library. Last fall's library survey and continued high usage rates demonstrated the need for more study space. During spring semester the reference collection, previously housed on the 2nd floor, was relocated to the stacks and the shelving removed to create more individual and group study space. Existing furniture had been temporarily arranged in this area, but new furniture is currently being installed. New soft seating and task chairs have already been added throughout the building. The space that once housed the Academic Enhancement Center has also been opened as additional study space including eight more study rooms. Please come by and see the changes made to Kaufman Library!

New Study Room Reservations System

In order to provide more equitable access to the over forty study rooms in the library, an online reservation system is now available. All library study rooms now require a reservation and may be reserved by any GGC student, faculty, or staff member for a maximum of three hours a day and up to fourteen days ahead of time. Reservations are made using your GGC credentials at <https://libcal.ggc.edu>. You will receive a confirmation email.

New Faculty Liaison Program

Kaufman Library began a new program for faculty at the beginning of fall semester. Each School's chair of study and corresponding faculty have been assigned a specific liaison. For those Schools who do not have a chair of study, a librarian has also been assigned to them. The liaison serves as an information conduit between the library and the various subject areas within the Schools, keeping each area informed of relevant library resources and services, continually seeking out collaboration opportunities between the library and the School.

The list of liaisons is available on our library liaison program guide at <http://libguides.ggc.edu/library-liaisons>.

Tutors Across Campus

The library is again participating in the Academic Enhancement Center's Tutors Across Campus (TAC). Every Tuesday from 1:00pm to 3:00pm, an English tutor will be in attendance on the 2nd floor near the Reference Desk to help students write and format papers and citations. Students should be able to easily transition from finding resources with our reference librarians to discussing writing styles with a tutor. A Math tutor will also be available.

Faculty Scholarship and Creativity Celebration

On September 19, over eighty faculty attended the first Faculty Scholarship and Creativity Celebration, co-hosted by Kaufman Library and the Center for Teaching Excellence, held in the lobby of Kaufman Library. President Stas Preczewski and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost T. J. Arant provided remarks commending faculty for their scholarly and creative contributions.

Faculty submitted citations to published scholarship including authored/edited books and book chapters and peer-reviewed articles as well as juried creative works. As this was the first such event, submissions were from 2015 to 2018. These submissions are being finalized into a bibliography that will be made available online. The amount of submissions and variety of topics covered is truly impressive!

Kaufman Library and CTE look forward to making this an annual event.

Gwinnett County Public Library Card Drive

Did you know all GGC students, faculty, and staff are eligible for a public library card, regardless of where they live? Representatives from Gwinnett County Public Library visited Kaufman Library in April and September to sign up GGC community members for library cards. Missed the most recent library card drive? You can apply online anytime at <https://www.gwinnettpl.org>.



Ask A Librarian

Need assistance with research, a course assignment, or any other informational need? Kaufman Library stands at the ready, offering a variety of formats to help including a new chat interface making research assistance available in real-time without having to leave your current location. Find out more about the many ways to contact us at <http://www.ggc.edu/ask-a-librarian>.

Mobile White Boards

To better meet student study space needs, mobile white boards are available on all three floors of the library. These can be moved around as needed. Dry erase markers/erasers are available for checkout at the Circulation Desk.

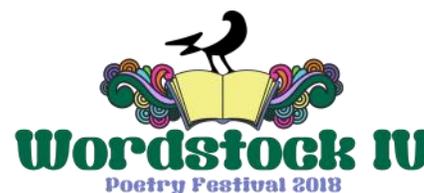
General Space

[General Space](#) is a program designed to gather and disseminate the digital scholarship and creative output of Georgia Gwinnett College and provides members of the GGC community with a permanent outlet for their endeavors to be discovered, cited, and recognized. Contact [Catherine Downey](#) for more details on how you can become a contributor.

Student Engagement Activities

Wordstock IV

Kaufman Library's fourth annual poetry festival, Wordstock IV, was celebrated on April 3rd, with original poetry readings from nearly twenty GGC student poets to an audience that totaled over seventy people. The student poets covered a wide swath of topics ranging from humor to heartbreak. Some of the poets were nervous reading their work for the first time, while others were seasoned veterans of competitive poetry slams. Even with this wide range of presenters, the poets offered enthusiastic support of one another, under the direction of student MC, Matthew Micheaux. We cannot wait until next April for National Poetry Month to roll around again so that we can offer Wordstock V!



Greenscene

As part of the campus Greenscene orientation events on August 16th, Kaufman Library had a table on the front lawn and had sixty-nine students play our "Spin to Win" roulette wheel. This year, instead of just telling students about our services, when the wheel stopped on a topic such as Popular Reading, we asked the students to tell us about the service, then the staff at the table filled in any gaps in their knowledge. It was a hot day, culminating in the March Through the Arch, and students seemed to enjoy winning prizes and learning about the library and other campus and community services.



LibQuest Scavenger Hunts

On August 15th, 16th, and 21st, Kaufman Library conducted our first LibQuest scavenger hunts whereby students posted photos to social media, tagging the library, as they found each item. With the help of a Grizzly Days mini-grant, we offered prizes to students who completed five fun questions about the library. Seventy students participated in the scavenger hunt, posting photos to social media and receiving Kaufman Library swag while learning about the library and having fun (and eating lots of cookies!).



Spring & Summer Displays and Exhibits

- Brain Awareness Week with Dr. Rebecca Cooper (March 12-16)
- Gwinnett Bicentennial Exhibit (April 2-26)
- Sexual Assault Prevention Awareness with Office of Diversity and Equity Compliance (April 2-30)
- CREATE Symposium Art Display (April 19-26)
- Money Smart Week with the Office of Financial Aid (April 21-28)
- Pride Month (June 1-30)



Fall Displays and Exhibits

- Student Picked (August 10-31)
- Constitution Day (September 17)
- Banned Books Week (September 23-29)
- Display with Student Art Club (October 12-22)
- Voter Awareness (October 15-November 9)



New Faculty Publications Added to the Collection

We are always proud to add the published works of GGC faculty and staff to our collection. Please let us know of your publication by filling out the [materials purchase request form](#) located on the library website under services. The following items with GGC faculty or staff contributors have been added to the Kaufman Library collection since March 1, 2018:

Davoliute, D., & Budryte, D. (2018). Entangled history, history education, and affective communities in Lithuania. In C. Horne & L. Stan (Eds.), *Transitional justice and the former Soviet Union: Reviewing the past, looking toward the future* (pp. 323-344). New York, NY: Cambridge University Press.

Downey, C. J. (2018). Radio-frequency identification security and inventory systems: The request for quotation. In F. C. Wilkinson & S. Bordeianu (Eds.), *The complete guide to RFPs for libraries* (pp. 171-188). Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.

Khan, N. A. (2015). *Be heard: Public speaking for college and career*. Dubuque, IA: KendallHunt publishing company.

Khan, N. A. (2018). *Riding the tiger tail: Stories of Bangladeshi immigrants in the Atlanta Area*. Dubuque, IA: KendallHunt publishing company.

Staff News



Staffing Updates

Maicey Melville, a former library student assistant, has recently joined the Kaufman Library Access Services Department as a part-time library assistant. Maicey graduated from GGC in May of 2018 with a Bachelor of Arts in English. She also works as a reading therapist at the Syllables Learning Center in Alpharetta.

Adrienne Button Harmer Receives Top Claw Award

Adrienne Button Harmer, Kaufman Library Instruction Coordinator and Associate Professor, received one of the Spring 2018 Top Claw awards. In her 10 years at GGC, Adrienne has consistently gone above and beyond the call of duty in teaching and promoting information literacy to the GGC community, and we think she is well deserving of this award.



Promotions

Kaufman Library congratulates David Minchew and Holly Heitman for their recent promotions to Assistant Professor. Both were recognized for their achievement at the Fall Recognition Ceremony.

Library Scholarship and Creative Activities

Cauthen, J. B. (2018, March). *Storytelling in the college classroom, an effective way to turn on the light bulb!* Poster session presented at Center for Teaching Excellence Teaching and Learning Day, Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, GA.

Cauthen, J. B. (2018, March). *Three women authors=three indomitable heroines=three Pulitzer winning novels.* Poster session presented at GGC Intersections Conference, Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, GA.

Cauthen, J. B. (2018, May). *The greatest story of all, is the story that lives in you.* Paper presented at Gwinnett Engages at Every AGE, sponsored by the Gwinnett Health and Human Services Department of Community Services and the GGC Sociology Club.

Downey, C. J. (2018). Radio-frequency identification security and inventory systems: The request for quotation. In Wilkinson, F. C., & Bordeianu, S. (Eds.), *The complete guide to RFPs for libraries* (pp. 171-88). Santa Barbara, CA: Libraries Unlimited.

Mann, B. J., & DeLoach, J. (2018). Case study Augusta University's Reese Library Multimedia Collaborative Space. In C. Ippoliti (Ed.), *The savvy librarian's guide to technology innovation in academic libraries: Moving beyond the wow factor* (pp. 184-190). Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.

Mann, B. J. (2018, March). [Review of the e-book *Encyclopedia of American women and religion*, 2nd ed., by J. M. Benowitz]. *Reference Reviews*, 32(3), 4-5. <https://doi.org/10.1108/RR-11-2017-0237>

Library Services Reminders

Course Reserves

Course reserves has a [new online form](#). If you are interested in putting course materials on reserve in the library, please consult our [Course Reserves Guide](#) or contact [Stephanie Bennett](#).

Donations

If you have materials that you are interested in donating to the Library, please contact [Joye Cauthen](#).

GIL Express and Interlibrary Loan

Materials not available at the Kaufman Library may be requested through GIL Express or Interlibrary Loan. Ask us how you can have items delivered to GGC!

Library Account

You may check your library account online at <http://gilfind.ggc.edu> to view your current loans and renew eligible loans. If you are a new staff or faculty member, please stop by the Circulation Desk to fill out a patron registration form.