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Resource News



Mango Languages

Mango is an online language-learning system. Thirty-five languages are

available, including languages as varied as English as a Second Language, Spanish, Mandarin Chinese, Russian. Click the Start Learning button to try it out. Or create a free Mango profile to log in and track your progress. Mango Languages can be used independently or to supplement a course.

Oxford Dictionary of National Biography

This online reference source provides biographical information for Britain and the Commonwealth, as well as time periods in which other nations were British Colonies (such as the U.S.) Includes color portraits. Also indicates where the papers of an included individual are held.



Berg Fashion Library (1600-current)

Berg Fashion Library provides integrated text and images on world dress and fashion covering historic periods. The resource includes the Encyclopedia of World Dress and Fashion, e-books, e-journals, museum directories, reference works, and images. This resource requires Kent VPN authentication from off-campus and is available to Kent campus users only.

Journal Citation Reports (JCR) Updated

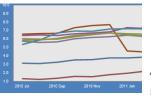
The 2010 edition of JCR is now available. The JCR allows the evaluation and comparison of journals using citation data drawn from over 10,000 of the most highly cited peer-reviewed journals from more than 60 countries. JCR reports include the most frequently cited journals and the highest impact journals in a given field. This resource requires Kent VPN authentication from off-campus and is available to Kent campus users only.

WorldCat Dissertations and Theses

This database provides another means to identify dissertations and theses. Represented are over 8 million records of dissertations and theses cataloged by OCLC member libraries worldwide.

Garland Encyclopedia of World Music Online

This encyclopedia provides comprehensive music research of all the world's peoples, containing the full text of the 10-volume print encyclopedia. For each geographic region, there is a survey of its musical heritage and a description of specific musical genres, practices, and performances. Articles include photographs of musicians, musical instruments, and the cultural context of dances, rituals, and ceremonies.



International Financial Statistics Online

This database is a standard source of international statistics on all aspects of international

and domestic finance. It reports, for most countries of the world, current data needed in the analysis of problems of international payments and of inflation and deflation. The database contains time series data from 1948. Requires installation of Microsoft Silverlight (Free download is available at *http://www.microsoft.com/ getsilverlight/Get-Started/Install/Default.aspx*).

Grzimek's Animal Life Encyclopedia

Online version of the 17-volume encyclopedia of animal life published in 2003, describing microscopic animals through primates. Contains color pictures and detailed descriptions. Also available is the 2011 volume on "Evolution" which covers evolution in detail and explores it from a scientific viewpoint, including recent discoveries.



Lyell Collection (1811current)

The Lyell Collection provides online, full-text access to many

of the publications of the Geological Society of London including journals and the full backfile of electronic books in several series (Special Publications, Memoirs, and Conference Proceedings). You can also search this content using KentLINK for e-books and the e-Journal Finder for journals. This resource requires Kent VPN authentication from off-campus and is available to Kent campus users only.

Update on Library Services

Statistical and Qualitative Software and Training Support Changes

Statistical and qualitative software will now be available through Information Services. This fall, SPSS and SAS will be available. NVivo, EQS, and LISREL to follow at a later date.

- Faculty can submit a Help Desk ticket for assistance from their local Academic Federated Services member for their University-owned computer, lab, or classroom needs. For more information on faculty home use and a link to the HelpDesk Ticket System: http://www.kent.edu/is/helpdesk/checklistforfac-staff.cfm.
- For statistical and qualitative software available to students: *http://www.kent.edu/is/helpdesk/checklistforstudents.cfm.*

Statistical and qualitative software online tutorials and training support will remain in University Libraries. For more information see: *http://www.library.kent.edu/statsoftware* or contact Tina Ughrin (cughrin@kent.edu).

Audio Visual Update: Materials and Classroom Services

Reminder: All aspects of audio visuals have been reorganized within the Libraries. Here is a summary:

Equipment Requests for Classroom Use

- To request equipment or check on the status of requests contact Classroom Services at 330-672-6315. Requests can also be made online at *http://www.library.kent.edu/page/11192*.
- To report equipment problems, contact the HelpDesk (330-672-HELP or http://support.kent.edu)
- To order videos for your class, contact Circulation (330-672-7905)

Audio Visual Materials

- DVDs, spoken word CDs, and camera equipment are available at the Circulation Desk.
- VHS tapes are in storage and can be requested through KentLINK for pickup at Circulation.
- Preview room is now available on the 2nd floor in the Speak Easy area.

Branch Library Changes

The several collection moves this past summer involved two of our branch libraries as well.

Chemistry/Physics Library: Bound journals were relocated to the main Library and integrated into the bound journal collection now located on the 5th and 6th floors. Current journal issues remain in Chemistry/Physics, along with the book collection and staff.

Math/Computer Sciences Library: The journals in this library—both bound volumes and current issues—were moved to the main Library and integrated into its journal collection. This branch library only housed this journal collection. Since there were no books or staff, this space has been relinquished.

Extended Hours for Special Collections and Archives

The Department of Special Collections and Archives is pleased to announce new extended public service hours beginning Fall Semester 2011! In hopes of better serving our patrons in the evenings, we will be open two evenings per week: Tuesdays and Wednesdays, from 1:00 to 8:00pm.

We will continue to provide our normal public service hours from 1:00 to 5:00pm on Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays, as well as continue to accommodate appointments outside of these hours. We encourage you to stop up on the 12th floor during any of our public service hours to view our exhibits, use our collections and materials, or receive help from our friendly reference desk staff.

Special Collections and Archives New Hours

Monday 1:00 - 5:00pm Tuesday 1:00 - 8:00pm Wednesday 1:00 - 8:00pm Thursday 1:00 - 5:00pm Friday 1:00 - 5:00pm

2011: A Dynamic Year for Library Collections

So far this year the collection has seen significant activity in terms of moves, cancellations, conversion to electronic content, and strategic purchases.



Collection Moves

Major collection moves cleared space for the new Math Emporium on the second floor of the University Library, as well as on the library fourth floor to accommodate a large new study area and potential future services.

The several very large projects included:

1. moving 588,000 lesser-used, older books to an off-site storage facility. Labeled in KentLINK with the location "Off Site Storage – Request Online," these books remain available for next day delivery to the Circulation Desk in the University Library.

2. moving the remaining books in University Library to floors 7, 8, and 9.

3. integrating 260,000 journal volumes from the University Library second floor with journals from the Math/Computer Science Library and the Chemistry/Physics Library and relocating the merged collection to the fifth and sixth floors of University Library. Except for Chemistry/Physics current issues (which remain in the Chemistry/Physics Library) these journals are filed, along with their loose, current issue counterparts, in a single alphabet on the fifth and sixth floors.

Collection Budget

Significant adjustments were made to the collection budget to keep it as strong and as effective as possible. This included:

1. cancelling 757 journal subscriptions, saving \$ 430,000.



2. converting 210 journals to online-only subscriptions.

3. benefitting from the regular annual 5% increase to the collections budget from the University Administration to help address inflation in journal prices.

4. allocating a total of \$5.3 million in library collection funds to subscribe to journals and research databases, as well as purchase books and multimedia content, maintaining and increasing our funding for critical resources like the OhioLINK Electronic Journal Center, JSTOR, and ArtSTOR.

5. executing numerous strategic purchases, including the Wharton Research Data Service, BYKI foreign language learning system, the Early English Books Online collection, a new deposit account at BioMed Central, and the host of resources mentioned in the "Resource News" section elsewhere in this issue.

Direct questions/comments about the collection moves, budget, and strategic purchases to Tom Klingler (tk@kent.edu), Assistant Dean, University Libraries.

Services to Make a Difference

Free Article E-Delivery: Journal articles from the Libraries' print collection (as well as microfilm and microfiche excerpts, book chapters, pamphlets) will be digitized and delivered to your desktop. Place your request through ILLiad (*https://kent.illiad.oclc.org/illiad/logon.html*).

Campus Book Delivery: Books and other library materials can be requested through KentLINK for delivery to a Kent campus office or dorm. Choose "Kent--My Dept. Office or Dorm" as your pick-up location.

Book Delivery to Distance Learning Students: Offcampus distance learning students who qualify may request free-of-charge book delivery. The student pays the return shipping cost. More information at: *http:// www.library.kent.edu/offcampusdelivery*.

24/5: Beginning with fall semester, the University Library will be open starting Sundays at noon through Fridays at 10:00pm. Please note that a Flash ID must be presented at the door in order to gain entry after 11:00pm.

A Note from the Dean Jim Bracken, Dean of University Libraries jbracke1@kent.edu

The Events Experience at University Libraries "Things do not change; we change." – Henry David Thoreau

Change is happening in University Libraries and the physical library building. I'm encouraged by the gate count from January through June that totals over 700,000. We must be doing something right.

As I move into my second year with University Libraries, one of my goals is encouraging partnerships from across the library and surrounding community, including reading and learning projects, open houses, and events that promote information. We have over 30 events scheduled from the end of August through the first half of December that demonstrate our partnering commitment.

On 15 September we're kicking off our fall 2011 Kent Reads program, a biweekly "read aloud" series featuring faculty, administrators, alumni and current students. Co-hosted by University Libraries and University Press, the kickoff event features Mike Olszewski, who will discuss his brand new book, "WIXY 1260:Pixies, Six-Packs and Supermen." It's proceeded by a 29 September presentation from local authors, Russ Musarra and Chuck Ayers.

We've made open houses a priority this year. We're partnering with the College of Arts and Sciences to co-host an open house for the new Math Emporium on 15 October. It's Homecoming weekend and we want to show off this new space. Parents and Family Day is 24 September and we'll be here to give tours, answer questions and guide parents and family to the Math Emporium tours provided by Dr. Andrew Tonge, chair of the Math Department. Our branch libraries are hosting open houses at their locations, too. The Performing Arts Library is having one on 16 September; the Fashion Library is having one on 5 October, and; the Map Library is hosting theirs on 16 November.

The excitement doesn't end here. We're also co-hosting what we're calling "Merwin Day" with the Wick Poetry Center on 10 October. U.S. Poet Laureate W.S. Merwin will be on the Kent campus that day and we are recognizing him with an exhibition of his books from our Special Collections. A question and answer session will accompany the exhibit from 2:00 – 3:00pm. in the Quiet Study Area of the library. Additional events will take place in the Kent Student Center Ballroom.

Finally, on 2 November University Libraries is hosting Library Live and Friends 2011. It's a one-day conference that offers participants the opportunity for hands-on learning and information about resources and services UL can provide. All are welcome.

So you can see it's going to be an action-packed semester. You can get more information and a list of all our events at *www.library.kent.edu/ulevents*. There are many opportunities for you to visit us during fall semester.



Calendar Highlights

Special Events:

- Oct. 10: Merwin Day, featuring U.S. Poet Laureate W.S. Merwin. Exhibition in Special Collections, plus Q&A in Quiet Study from 2 - 3pm
- Nov. 2: Library Live and Friends. One-day conference open to all from 9am 3pm

Kent Reads: every other Thursday, beginning on Sept. 15

Open Houses:

- Sept. 16: Performing Arts Library (Music & Speech)
- Sept. 24: Library New Spaces
- Oct. 5: Fashion Library (Rockwell Hall)
- Oct. 15, Parents and Family Day: Math Emporium
- Nov. 16: Map Library (McGilvery)

All events are in the University Library unless otherwise indicated.

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Upcoming Special Collections and Archives Exhibitions

Several exhibitions this fall will showcase unique materials in Special Collections and Archives. In honor of the 150th anniversary of the United States Civil War, the department's main exhibit will feature highlights of its extensive Civil War holdings. Also on exhibit will be items relating to the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, many of which are part of the Borowitz Crime Collection. Another exhibition will mark Babar the Elephant's 80th birthday. All of these exhibitions will be located on the University Library's 12th floor reading room and adjacent Borowitz Gallery.

Special Collections and Archives will also present exhibitions on the Library's first floor. To note the 500th anniversary of the first printed and illustrated architecture book (published in 1511), Special Collections will display examples of early architecture books from its collection, from mid-August through September. In October, selected works of U.S. Poet Laureate W. S. Merwin will be featured, in conjunction with Merwin's visit to Kent State University on October 10.



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