What's New in the KU Libraries

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Reference Universe
Find information fast in our KU reference collection! Search at the article or chapter level and find links to relevant full-text electronic information and pointers to print resources (including call number, volume, and page number). Just enter keywords in a search box. Reference Universe: http://refuniv.odyssei.com/

Luna Insight training
The new KU Image Gateway http://www.lib.ku.edu/imagegateway/ is now available with links to over 42,000 images in these collection categories: Arts, Culture, & Literature; History, Maps, & Geography; and Science, Nature, & Medicine. KU’s image management system, Luna Insight, allows users to search and browse images both from KU and other collections, and to build, manage, and share local collections for teaching and research. Instructional Services will conduct Luna Insight workshops this fall as part of the regular instruction offerings. For dates and times check the list of Instructional Services Workshops at http://www.lib.ku.edu/instruction.

Spencer Museum of Art image collection
Access to the Spencer Museum of Art's permanent collection of more than 25,000 objects is available online through the KU Libraries’ Image Gateway at http://www.lib.ku.edu/imagegateway. There are currently over 11,000 images included; this Luna Insight collection will eventually include more than 30,000 images.

BudigOne is open
The BudigOne digital workspace is now available for use. BudigOne supports KU faculty and graduate students in the development of digital projects for teaching and research through a partnership between Instructional Development and Support (IDS) and the Scholarly Digital Initiatives program. Located on the first floor of Budig Hall, BudigOne services are by appointment only. Faculty and graduate students may use the facility unsupervised after registering with the IDS reception desk and receiving an initial orientation by a BudigOne staff member. Visit the BudigOne Web site for more information: http://kudiglib.ku.edu/budig/.

Library Annex
The Library Annex officially opened for operation on July 14th. The Annex is a high-density storage facility for the preservation of and ongoing access to low-use library materials. The transfer of such materials to the Annex increases the space available for users in the main campus library buildings and provides conservation-level environmental controls for books and journals, archives and manuscripts, and rare and fragile materials. All materials in the Annex are represented in the Library catalog and may be requested for use. The Annex is located on KU’s west campus and has an initial capacity of 1.6 million volumes. Low use materials currently located in two temporary off-site facilities are being moved into the new facility. Additional information about the Annex can be found on the Libraries’ web site at http://www.lib.ku.edu/annex.

New reader/printer for microfilm, microfiche, micro opaque
Watson Library now has a Minolta ST200 scanner where users can scan from microfilm reels, microfiche, and micro-opaque cards (microprint). The scanner provides a higher quality image than the other equipment available and can be output to the public laser printer, a USB memory stick, emailed, or saved to Filespace in the Kyou portal. The scanner workstation is located on the 4th floor of Watson Library. An online tutorial is available. Anyone needing assistance can ask the IT student assistant on the 4th floor of Watson Library or the Watson Library Service Desk for assistance.

KU Libraries Book Drops
The KU Libraries have five new book drops located on campus. You can return most of the books you check out at times convenient to you at any of these locations:

- Anschutz Library - walk-up location to left of front entrance to library via Hoch Auditoria Drive
- Art & Architecture Library - walk-up location on Spencer Museum of Art Drive (from Mississippi Street) behind Spencer Museum of Art near walkway to building
- Music & Dance Library - walk-up location on east side of Murphy Hall on Summerfield Hall Drive by way of Sunnyside Avenue
- Watson Library - walk-up location to right of front entrance by way of Jayhawk Boulevard and Sunflower Road
- Spahr Engineering Library - walk-up location on east side of the Library in the Eaton Plaza

For more information, see: http://www.lib.ku.edu/bookdrops/
Overflow shelving
In order to shelve volumes that cannot be placed immediately in their correct locations in Watson Library stacks, overflow shelving areas have been established. The Watson stacks are overcrowded for two reasons: (1) the ongoing acquisition of new materials, and (2) a major reclassification project which moves materials from the 800-900 Dewey classification into the Library of Congress classification. Once completed, this reclassification and movement of materials will facilitate more effective browsing for users and improve shelving efficiency for staff. As of August 1st, approximately 40,000 titles were re-classed from the Dewey 800s and 900s to Library of Congress call numbers.

- Where is the Overflow?
  A through G is on Level 2 East in Watson Stacks
  H through Z is on the east end of the 4th floor (down hall past Room 419, adjacent to Periodicals collections)

- What is in the Overflow?
  Books re-classified from Dewey into Library of Congress, plus some newly acquired books.

- How can I find a book in Overflow?
  If you do not find the book you are looking for in the regular stacks, check the Overflow Shelves. Please note: books shelved in the Overflow are not specially identified in the Library Catalog. As shifting continues, items will move out of Overflow into the regular stacks. If you need assistance, please ask at the 3rd floor Service Desk.

- Is the Overflow permanent?
  No! The Overflow area is a temporary way to manage stack shelving until such time as the Library can do a systematic shift of the collections.

Regents Center Library Dissertation Research Blog
The Dissertation Research Blog was established at Regents Center Library to continue dialog between the library staff and the graduate students who attend various research sessions (either within class instruction or the EndNote session). The members of the mailing list are notified via email and respond via email. The blog is updated regularly with research worthy postings and serves as a communication connection with our students. http://dissertationresearch.blogspot.com/

Instructional Services combines and updates Dreamweaver and Web Authoring training tracks
If you are interested in learning to create web pages, Instructional Services offers an entire suite of new and updated workshops to get you well on your way. Instead of two separate tracks ("Web Authoring" and "Dreamweaver"), the "Dreamweaver" series will be expanded to include content from both, plus new material, covering Dreamweaver 8, the latest version of the product.

The format of the workshops has changed, too. Most workshops in the series are 90 minutes to two hours to better accommodate busy schedules. Some workshops, such as Dreamweaver: Visual Design using CSS, have been expanded to take advantage of improvements and new features available in Dreamweaver 8.

Updates on ongoing initiatives

Retrieve from Shelf Service
Eligible KU borrowers may request that most books, videos, and other items located in one KU library be delivered for pickup at a KU library of their choice, usually within 3 weekdays. Requests for this service can be placed via the Library Catalog. This request method is also used to obtain loans of items kept in our Annex facilities.
http://www.lib.ku.edu/AccServices/retrieveFromShelf.shtml

Obtaining copies from print journals held by KU Libraries
Eligible KU borrowers can request copies of articles from print journals held by the KU Libraries through our local article delivery service. This service is accessible through WebRetrieve https://illiad.lib.ku.edu/KKU/ with most copies provided in 2 to 3 weekdays. This request method is also used to obtain copies from print journals kept in our Annex facilities. Where possible, material is delivered in electronic form.

Obtaining loans and copies of materials not available in KU Libraries (interlibrary loan)
Interlibrary loan articles are now being filled faster than ever with typically 40% of articles filled within 1 day, 60% of articles filled within 2 days, and 54% of loans filled within one week. Many borrowers are also finding it more convenient to submit
requests through KULink in the Library Catalog where the system will automatically populate the request form. 
http://www.lib.ku.edu/retrievalservices/. Where possible, material is delivered in electronic form.

Citation Management Tool: RefWorks
The Libraries now provide a campus-wide subscription to RefWorks, a Web-based tool for managing references and creating bibliographies. RefWorks works with any major Web browser on any platform (Windows, Mac, Unix). There is no cost to KU University students, faculty, or staff in using this service.

RefWorks allows you to:

1. Create a personal database online- Store an unlimited number of references accessible from any computer linked to the Internet. No downloading software or installation required.
   - Import references directly from online databases or saved text files.
   - Import records from other bibliographic management programs.
   - Add references or personal notes manually.

2. Manage your references
   - Organize references using folders.
   - Easily sort and edit.
   - Search and browse references for quick data retrieval.

3. Generate bibliographies and footnotes: Save typing time in creating bibliographies. Easily make changes to your paper and reformat in seconds.
   - WriteNCite - This function allows you to use RefWorks while writing your paper to integrate references and compile a bibliography.
   - Output formats - A wide variety of bibliographic styles are available for outputting references, including APA, Chicago, MLA.

GIS workshops
Faculty and graduate students are invited to the following 2 hour, hands-on workshops:

- GIS I: ArcMap Introduction, Aug. 16, 10am
- GIS I: Power Hour, Aug. 18, 1pm
- GIS I: Finding GIS Data on the Web, Aug. 23, 1:30pm
- GIS II: Mapping Your Data, Aug. 25, 1pm

More GIS workshops will be coming in October!

Electronic database changes since January, 2006
The following databases have been added to the Information Gateway:

- The American Civil War Research Database provides access to American Civil War soldiers and events, including soldier records, regimental rosters, regimental chronicles, officer profiles, soldier photographs, and battle synopses. The database is not IP accessible and requires a password. The link leads to a page providing password information. Before reaching this page, all patrons will have to enter their KU online ID.

- American Poetry contains over 40,000 poems by more than 200 poets, covering the Colonial period to the early twentieth century, and drawn from over 1,200 printed sources. The collection begins with early Colonial poems such as John Wilson's 'A Song of Thanksgiving for the Lasting Remembrance of God's Wonderful Works' (1603), William Morrell's 'New England' (1625) and the complete works of Anne Bradstreet and Edward Taylor, and continues through to early twentieth-century writers such as Adelaide Crapsey and Vachel Lindsay. For the first time, major canonical poets, such as Emily Dickinson, Edgar Allan Poe, Phillis Wheatley, Walt Whitman and Herman Melville, and important literary groups, such as the Transcendentalists and the Knickerbocker school, can be read alongside substantial bodies of work by less familiar names such as Elizabeth Akers Allen, Richard Emmons, Lemuel Hopkins and Emma Lazarus.

- ASTM International : standards worldwide includes catalogs of standards and of other publications of ASTM International, as well as information about its members and activities. Our subscription is to current content only.

- FRANCIS is a multilingual, multidisciplinary database covering the humanities and social sciences. Its broad subject areas and international scope make it an ideal stand-alone social science database, as well as a suitable complement for more specialized databases. FRANCIS is strong in areas such as archaeology, geography, linguistics, philosophy, religion, and sociology. The database contains more than 1 million records, with abstracts in French or English, and descriptors in both languages, and includes coverage of journals, books, conference papers and other documents.

- Harper's Weekly (HarpWeek -- Civil War segment, 1857-1865) provides electronic access to Harper's Weekly, the illustrated 19th century "national newspaper," an important resource for examining 19th century America on a cumulative week-to-week basis. Through this database one can discover news stories, illustrations, cartoons, editorials, biographies, literature, and advertisements that shaped and reflected public opinion of the times. The Civil War Era segment covers the period 1857 - 1865, and begins with the inaugural issue, Jan. 3, 1857. Prior to the Civil War the journal provides coverage of such events as the economic panic of 1857, John Brown's raid on Harper's Ferry, the attempt to lay the first transatlantic
cable, and the presidential election of 1860. With the onset of the Civil War, the journal devotes its efforts to covering the conflict with detailed reporting, vivid illustrations, and influential commentary. Readers can follow news and views from the battlefront; intense policy debates concerning emancipation, the draft, financing the war, and civil liberties. This segment concludes with the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, the end of the war, and the beginning of reconstruction.

**Index to Theses** provides a comprehensive listing of theses with abstracts accepted for higher degrees by universities in Great Britain and Ireland since 1716.

**Jane’s Aero-engines** provides comprehensive details of all civil and military gas-turbine engines (turbofans, turbojets, turboprops and turboshifts) currently in use worldwide for the propulsion of manned aircraft. It also includes precise diagrams and illustrations, detailed specifications of each engine, descriptions of the background to each engine type, plus manufacturers’ details.

**Jane’s all the world’s aircraft** provides technical detail on over 950 civil and military aircraft currently being produced or under development by more than 550 companies. It includes photographs and line drawings, key specifications for any aircraft including dimensions, performance, structure, landing gear, power plants, and armaments. Also, have details of the world’s aircraft manufacturers and their programs, for identification of key contracts and customers.

**Jane’s unmanned aerial vehicles and targets** provides details of over 180 UAVs, 120 aerial targets and 240 subsystems. It includes a full vehicle and target listing with information on development, mission payloads, guidance and control, operational status, specifications, customers, and contractors together with photographs. Each entry details the manufacturer, complete with contact information and the civil and military organizations using the aircraft.

**p4a : Antiques Reference** database contains detailed descriptive and pricing information on antiques, collectibles, fine art and historic Americana sold at regional auctions throughout the United States. Information is provided on hundreds of thousands of items, the database is updated daily, and each record includes a photograph. Supplemental reference information, including literature citations and reference notes with biographical, contextual and background data, is often furnished for an item. This resource does not conduct sales but instead reports sales from 50 regional auction houses.

**ProQuest Dissertations and Theses (PQDT)** provides online access to over 2 million dissertations and master’s theses, many of which are available in full text for immediate downloading. Citations are available for dissertations dating from 1861 and full text online from 1997 for over 1,000 schools submitting to the ProQuest UMI database. More than 55,000 new citations are added to the database every year.

**Proquest Research Library** provides one-stop access to a wide range of popular academic subjects, from business and political science to literature and psychology. The database includes more than 3,820 titles-over 2,550 in full text-from 1971 forward. It features a highly-respected, diversified mix of scholarly journals, trade publications, magazines, and newspapers. Individual journal content will be available through the e-journal search also. The State Library is providing ProQuest Research Library in lieu of Periodical Abstracts.

**Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy** is a dynamic reference work and is a publishing project of the Metaphysics Research Lab at the Center for the Study of Language and Information (CSLI) at Stanford University.

**Wall Street Journal** provides full-text content from 1984 to the present (doesn’t include the current day). A separate entry has been created for the full-text content of Wall Street Journal which is available through our ABI/Inform subscription with ProQuest.

The following databases have been cancelled or substituted with similar content and the records removed:

- **Bibliografia de la literatura Espanola desde 1980.**
- **Key business ratios.** A print version exists at the Regents Center Library
- **NTIS bibliographic database,** the SilverPlatter version. The free NTIS Web site version still has an entry under Databases
- **Periodical Abstracts.** ProQuest Research Library (see description above) is being offered in its place.