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WHILE YOU WERE AWAY

Over the summer, the library obtained access to a number of new research databases. We are very excited to offer you such first-class titles as Academic Search Complete, Early American Newspapers, CQ Researcher, Education Research Complete, Business Source Complete and more!

These databases are a significant expansion of our offerings of full-text articles and primary sources. See the back of this newsletter and upcoming issues for detailed descriptions.

There have also been changes to current databases. The library no longer subscribes to Gale’s Academic Onefile (replaced by Academic Search Complete). The Blackwell Synergy collection has been merged with Wiley Interscience. While the database looks slightly different, your access to 800 Blackwell-published journals will remain the same.

Finally, EBSCOhost, one of the library’s largest full-text search providers, has redesigned its interface with enhanced options for managing your search. Improved features include:

- Preview articles by moving your mouse over the summary.
- See related articles and images with a single click.
- Narrow down your search by subject, type of article, person, place, or more.
- Customize how you view your results (click on "Preferences").

Many of our databases will use this new interface. If you have any questions about the new EBSCO, or would like a personal demonstration at your campus office, contact the reference librarians at 362-7465 or askref@hollins.edu.

THIS MONTH @ WRL

Please join us on Wednesday, Sept. 17 for:

BOOKMOBILE - we’re back! Stop by Moody at lunchtime to pick up some fresh new books, hot off the new titles shelf.

WOMEN’S RIGHTS AND THE CONSTITUTION - 7 pm. Dr. Anne Coughlin of the University of Virginia Law School delivers the annual Constitution lecture. Don’t miss what promises to be a thought-provoking discussion of women’s issues today!

Come take a look at the DVDs...yes, you read that correctly: you can now browse the DVDs on the library's first floor. When you find the film you want, just bring the empty box to the first floor circulation desk - we will retrieve the disc for you. Enjoy the show!

INTRODUCING: KATY BAUM

Katy Baum, our new Inter-Library Loan coordinator, comes to us from Chicago where she lived while working on an MS degree in Library Science from Dominican University. But mountains don’t feel all that strange to her: she hails from Asheville, NC, where she earned a BA in Art with a focus on black & white photography (UNC-Asheville), and met her husband.

Katy grew up with horses, ducks, goats, dogs and cats, and would like to have them all again plus chickens, pigs, and a cow! She also loves knitting, gardening and bookbinding, and is learning to play the clawhammer banjo.

If you need to find a book or article that our library doesn’t have, come talk to Katy, who also worked in Inter-Library Loan at the University of Chicago libraries before coming to WRL in late May. We’re very pleased to have her here. You can reach Katy at 362-6239 or kbaum@hollins.edu

THERE’S MORE ON THE BACK! SEE PG. 2
ACADEMIC SEARCH COMPLETE

Academic Search Complete is a good place to start a search in most areas of academic studies. ASC contains information from some 10,000 journals: 6,000 are full-text, 5,000 peer-reviewed. To find out which titles are included in ASC, just sign in and click on “Publications.” Many titles now also offer searchable cited references.

When you search ASC, your results will include options to narrow down your search by subject and thesaurus term, as well as by the type of publication; you can also use the date slider to limit your results by publishing date. Other limiters are offered in the Advanced Search. The database automatically saves your search history, allowing you to get back to earlier results. Finally, note the link for “preferences” - you can specify the format for exporting citations to your favorite citation software.

Subjects covered in this database include anthropology, area studies, biology, chemistry, ethnic & multicultural studies, food science & technology, general science, geography, geology, law, mathematics, music, pharmaceutical sciences, physics, psychology, religion& theology, women's studies, zoology and more.

FREE DEMOS! Would you like to know more about a database? Our reference librarians will be glad to give you a demo and discuss your research needs:
- Visit us on the library’s first floor
- Call 362-7465
- Email askref@hollins.edu
- IM: askwyndham in AIM, GTalk, MSN & Yahoo.

NEW JOURNALFINDER

When you use Journalfinder to find out whether the library has a certain journal, magazine or newspaper in full text, you will notice a new look. Nothing has changed, however, about how it works: you can still search this database to find out whether our library has access to the full text of your journal citation. Both online access, and access to the print journal can be found via Journalfinder.

CQ RESEARCHER

CQ Researcher will provide you with virtual one-stop shopping; this database provides detailed, in-depth reports on almost any issue you can think of in current U.S. affairs.

Reports start with an overview, followed by a comprehensive exploration of the subject. Each report comes with a pro/con section, a timeline, maps, graphs, links to related reports and suggestions for further reading.

Browsing the subject and date categories will give you an appreciation of all you can find here, from politics to culture, from energy to human rights, from communications to women’s issues. Coverage starts in 1991.

FIND CQ RESEARCHER on the Division2: Social Sciences page, or on the A-Z database list.

EARLY AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS

U.S. history researchers will find this database indispensable. Early American Newspapers is easy to search, with a wealth of useful features and very, very good coverage: it offers more than a thousand newspapers, 1690 - 1922, including historically significant titles such as the North Star, Frederick Douglass’s paper. The collection was built using authoritative bibliographies along with the collections of the American Antiquarian Society and the Library of Congress.

When you search EAN, your results will show you your term within the original article; from here you can browse the page or the entire issue. At any time during your search you can limit date range, state or city, newspaper title or the article type. The article types includes such interesting categories as advertisements, poetry/songs, and election returns.

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