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OUR NEW ONLINE LOOK

We revamped the website over the summer with the help of our friends in OMC and ITS. We analyzed website statistics and determined the most frequently used services. You'll find those links on the left, including Ask A Librarian, ILL/PASCAL and renewing your books online. On the right, you'll see we've separated out services according to population: students, and faculty/staff. Your section has the buttons for submitting course reserves requests, scheduling library instruction for your class, suggesting the purchase of library material and learning about copyright and fair use. We would love to hear your feedback on the site.

COURSE RESERVES

We love being able to offer course reserves to your students. It's a major part of what happens in the daily life of the library. The service has become so popular that we reworked how we process your requests. We created an easy-to-use form, which allows you tell to us who you are and what class the reserves are for. After you complete the form, simply copy/paste your list in the form. Because so many course reserve requests come in at the start of each semester, we ask for your patience as we work to make your reserves available to your students as soon as we can, typically within 24 to 48 hours, or a little longer during the busiest times.
Dear Wofford Faculty,

Much like you, we in the library have had a busy summer. When you visit the library, either in person or online, you will readily notice some changes. Among the most significant changes is our newly designed website, wofford.edu/library. Our goal is to make access to quality information resources easier for you, your students and other library users. We analyzed site statistics to ascertain the most frequently used tools and resources. In addition, we took note of what students, faculty and staff have asked about the most. We then provided clear avenues to what we believe our campus needs from the library’s website. We hope our improvements make information seeking easier and more successful for you and your students. As ever, we welcome your feedback.

In the library building, you will notice at least two new items. First, beginning in late September, we will be featuring an exhibition that marks the centennial of America’s entry into the Great War. “WWI: At Home and Abroad” will not only highlight some of the political, social and cultural realities of that period in the U.S., but it will also document Wofford College during the First World War. The exhibition will be on view all semester.

You will also notice that we have moved the display of new books we add to the collection to a location much closer to the front of the building. We hope to feature faculty publications there in the near future, too.

Finally, I am deeply grateful that many of you contributed to focus groups and other opportunities to inform the work that has gone into the library master planning over the summer. We look forward to the final deliverable from McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture, which will provide us with a phased renovation plan. We will continue to engage you in conversations surrounding our future renovations as we advance the work to transform our library into a dynamic faculty- and student-centered resource on campus.

I hope the semester has started off well for you. As you get settled into your fall routine, please do not hesitate to contact me if there are things we can do to support you and your students.

Sincerely,
Kevin Reynolds