Welcome, New and Returning Students/Faculty!

Once again we are at the beginning of a new academic year and the Library staff would like to extend a warm welcome to all new and returning students and faculty! Pummerantz Library offers premier service and a comprehensive collection of information resources for students and faculty of WesternU. We would like to invite you to explore the Pummerantz Library resources mentioned in this newsletter and on our website.

Each college has its own liaison – have you met yours? He or she can save you time and point you in the right direction to find the information that you need.

We wish you much success for this academic year, and we are here to help you achieve your goals!

Executive Director of the Library
Library 101: How Do I…?

Check out, renew, or place a hold on a book

First, search for the book you want in the library catalog. Books are on the second floor and are organized by call number. If someone else has the book you want, you can place a hold. To check out a book, take the book you want to the circulation desk on the first floor. Please see this page for information on how long you can borrow items. If you need it longer, you can renew, as long as no one else has placed a hold.

Print, copy, or scan

Black-and-white and color printing is available in the computer labs on the second and third floors. You can access your Pharos printing accounts to release print jobs or to add money to your account. If you want to print from your laptop, make sure you download the printing client and select the right printer. Black-and-white printing is 5 cents/page and color printing is 65 cents/page. (Rates are cheaper for double-sided printing.) The second floor also has a color scanner/copier that you can use to copy and make scans.

Reserve a study room

There are eight study rooms available for students to reserve for small groups of up to six. All of the study rooms have white boards, tables, and comfortable chairs, and some of them have flat-screen monitors. Study rooms may be reserved up to 24 hours in advance for 4-hour blocks of time. The reservation will be held for 15 minutes, after which the reservation will be released. Rooms can be reserved in person at the circulation desk, by calling 909-469-5323, or online. Walk-in requests for study rooms will be accepted if rooms are available.

Use databases off-campus

To access our 50+ databases off-campus, click on the E-Resources link on the top of the library’s home page. Choose the link for the database you want to access and log in using your WesternU username and password. You will stay logged in as long as you don’t close your browser.

Get an article the library doesn’t have

To access an article we don’t have in our collection, click the Article Requests link on the library homepage. Log into ILLiad using your WesternU username and password, fill out the required fields, and click submit. Your request can take anywhere between a few hours to over a week; the average is 2-3 days. You will be notified via e-mail when your article is available. Log into ILLiad and click the “Articles received (PDFs)” link on the left and scroll down to see your article. Students get 25 free article requests per academic year.
“Anatomy is to physiology as geography is to history; it describes the theatre of events.”

-Jean François Fernel

Knowledge of the body is the foundation of medical knowledge, and textbook illustrations only get you so far. Luckily, the Pumerantz Library has a number of interactive anatomy resources to help you. The J and K Virtual Reality Learning Center includes an Anatomage dissection table, Anatomage Navigator, iPads with anatomy software, 3D zSpace stations, and an Oculus Rift headset that provides an immersive anatomy tour. Anyone interested in reserving the J and K Virtual Reality Learning Center must attend one of the library training sessions provided throughout the academic year. After receiving training, faculty can schedule the VRLC for courses using Booked and students can make reservations by calling (909) 469-5323 or asking at the front desk on the first floor of the library. If you have any questions regarding the VRLC, you can contact Karol Almanzar at (909) 469-5319 or kalmanzar@westernu.edu.

Can’t book the Virtual Reality Learning Center yet? You can still boost your anatomy knowledge with Visible Body and AnatomyTV, sink your teeth into AnatomyTV 3D Dentistry, and kick back with AnatomyTV Podiatric Medicine. Need to bone up on skeletal anatomy? Check out the library’s collection of skeletons and model body parts on the second and third floors of the library.

Don’t worry, we have resources for prospective vets, too. The computers on the library’s second and third floors have Glass Dog, Glass Horse Equine Distal Limb, and Glass Horse Equine Colic for a pet-friendly look inside animals.
Which Database Should I Use?

The Pumerantz Library has many databases—how do you know which one to use? It depends on what you’re looking for. Here’s a brief breakdown. You can also click the information icon next to each resource link on the website to learn more.

**Point of Care Databases**
- 5-Minute Consult
- DynaMed
- UpToDate
- VisualDx

**Drug Databases**
- Lexicomp
- Micromedex
- Natural Medicines

**E-book Databases**
- Access Medicine
- Access Pharmacy
- LWW Health Library
- McGraw-Hill eBook Library
- R2 Digital Library

**Article Databases**
- Academic Search Elite
- CINAHL
- Embase
- PubMed
- ScienceDirect
- Web of Science

**Physical Assessment Database**
- Bates Visual Guide

**Veterinary Databases**
- Agricola
- VetMed Resource
- Zoological Record

Do You Have My Textbook?

The Pumerantz Library purchases a number of the required textbooks electronically or in print. Want to know if we have the book you need? Check the library catalog or see if there’s a link to the e-book on your college’s research guide.

Most e-books have unlimited users, but some only allow a certain number of users at a time. Print books can be checked out for up to 4 weeks by on-campus students and up to 12 weeks by off-campus students. More information on borrowing can be found here. Any questions? Just ask!
Library Workshops

To help you succeed at WesternU (and beyond), the Harriet K. & Philip Pumerantz Library offers a variety of workshops, primarily during the lunch hour or after classes have concluded. This year’s topics include:

- J and K Virtual Reality Learning Center (includes the Anatomage table, Oculus Rift, and Z Space)
- CINAHL (This is an online session specifically for nursing and allied health students)
- Orientation refresher (…because we don’t expect you to remember EVERYTHING from orientation. I know I didn’t! ~Ruth Harris, MLIS, MSHS-HEP candidate)
- Vet Med Resource
- EndNote
- Resources for rotations

To sign up for any of these workshops or see a list of recorded workshops, please see the library’s workshops page. Online workshops do not require advanced registration.

Human Interest

WesternU prides itself on its humanistic foundation. That sounds great…but what is humanism?
The American Humanist Association defines it in Humanism and its Aspirations as “a progressive philosophy of life that, without supernaturalism, affirms our ability and responsibility to lead ethical lives of personal fulfillment that aspire to the greater good of humanity.” Humanism often has a reputation for being touchy-feely, but in fact, its first tenet is the importance of science—perhaps not surprising, since it traces its origins to the Renaissance.

Interested in more on modern humanism? Check out The Humanist Hour podcast.

Unnatural Causes

We all know that inequality is a social ill—but can it be a physical one as well? The famed PBS documentary Unnatural Causes argues that social determinants of health like economic stability, education, neighborhood, and social environment can contribute to poor health outcomes just as much as genetics, bad habits, and healthcare interventions. Check the DVDs out on the new book kiosk on the second floor of the library.
Library Website Unveils New Look

The library revamped its website as part of the overall WesternU website redesign. The new website features a streamlined, icon-based interface to make it simple to find the information you’re looking for.

We hope you like the new website and find it easier to navigate. Of course, change can be hard at first, so if you have a question about where to find something, please ask!

Many thanks to the library web committee for their hard work on the redesign and special thanks to David South for coordinating with IT to ensure a smooth transition.

What do you think of the new look? How is the website working for you? Take our survey and let us know!

PubMed Turns 20

PubMed premiered in 1996 as an experimental database from the National Library of Medicine to allow public access to the biomedical literature. Vice President Al Gore first demonstrated it at a press conference on June 26, 1997. Over the years, a number of features have been added. The database has grown to over 26 million citations and receives 4 million worldwide visitors a day. Happy birthday, PubMed! Next year, we can buy you a drink.

Visiting the library? Don’t forget to bring your WesternU ID badge! Your badge helps us verify your status and lets you check out books and reserve study rooms. You may say, “I don’t have to show you any stinkin’ badges!” But since you actually do, you may as well flash them with some style.
I Spy on Your Little Eye...

Always on the lookout for the cool new tools for school, the archives has been busy with new donations over the summer. Billed as “the most practical ophthalmometer ever devised” in the F.A. Hardy & Co. 1918 Ophthalmological Catalogue (absolutely no goods sold at retail), this ophthalmometer was wired for battery or city current and was a steal at $125.00.

Work and Disease in the WWII Era

While the word has long been taboo in polite society, cancers have been around as long as life on this planet. *Occupational Tumors and Allied Diseases* by W.C. Hueper, MD, available to view by appointment in Special Collections, covers specific tumors prevalent in people from an exhaustive array of occupations: from chimney sweep to airplane pilot, luminous dial painter, Roentgen technician, saltpeter loader, and wool sorter. The book contains information on the research methods and the governmental changes that improved the conditions that trigger many types of tumors.

From the touching dedication to those who died of malignant diseases to the 45-page subject index, this rare book from 1942 can still inspire the empathy and passion needed to be a good researcher and health services practitioner.
“If you only read the books that everyone else is reading, you can only think what everyone else is thinking.” - Haruki Murakami

Do you want a new idea? Just open a new book! You can see what we’re reading below or look at suggestions from Bill Gates, Elon Musk, or Emma Watson. If you’re feeling adventurous, you can try a random book selector, or you can stick closer to your comfort zone with recommendations based on books you like or factors that match your mood.

What are you reading? Let us know on our blog!

When can we trust our intuition to help us make good decisions and when should we stop and think? How can we guard against biases and mental glitches? The Nobel Prize-winning author brings decades of research to bear on these crucial questions.

-Kelli Hines

Select quotes, lyrics, and musings highlight the wisdom and humor of the legendary musician, Prince. May he rest in peace.

-Ruth Harris

When successful author Mort Rainey is accused of plagiarism, he sets out in a desperate attempt to prove these accusations false. This accusation begins to wreak havoc on his life, and he finds himself quickly spiraling out of control.

-Ruth Harris

For those who love the eerie, engrossing style of Neil Gaiman and the DC comic universe - the Sandman series is for you.

-David South