Gumberg’s 4th Floor Makeover - Phase II

By Maureen Diana Sasso, Director, Information Services

The second phase of Gumberg’s fourth floor update has transformed the public computer area into a comfortable lounge. Relocating the computers to the perimeter allowed for the addition of soft seating, ottomans and small tables. The new chairs are on wheels to make it easy for students to move them when they want to work alone or in groups. New carpet in Duquesne red and blue sets off the space from the rest of the floor. The windows are covered in solar film to reduce glare and heat loss. The new wraparound counter was designed to hold four new “Xpress” computers designated for quick lookups and quick printing.

Next on the agenda for the fourth floor is the redesign of the printing areas to alleviate congestion and prepare for Web printing in spring 2014. On the short term wish list are new study tables and chairs, and collaboration tools that would modernize the space and facilitate group study.

Incremental improvements are being funded by the Gumberg Library Endowment fund and Duquesne’s capital budget. The University is looking for ways to fund a major renovation of the floor including a new HVAC system, ceiling, lighting, restrooms, an updated classroom and staff work areas.
Dr. Albert C. Labriola Memorial Library Fund Celebration

On Oct. 31, 2013, Gumberg Library will host a special event in the Power Center Ballroom to celebrate the launch of the Dr. Albert C. Labriola Memorial Library Fund. The program will include tributes from alumni and faculty, and new titles purchased with the fund as well as selected scholarly works by Dr. Labriola will be displayed. The Duquesne University Press will have copies of Labriola’s The Bible of the Poor and The Mirror of Salvation, as well as his edited volume, Milton in the Age of Fish and his last volume of Milton Studies.

To help grow the fund, visit www.duq.edu/labriolafund. For more information, email Dr. Laverna Saunders at lsanders@duq.edu.

Research News

Ask a Librarian Update

Need research help?
• Text us at our NEW number: 412.265.3599
• Email us at our NEW email address: ask@duq.libanswers.com
• NEW! Chat with a Gumberg librarian when the Reference Desk is staffed
• Get research assistance 24/7 from an academic librarian via Ask Here PA, www.askherepa.org

Research to Go!

Online research help is not enough! We also want to help students in person. Gumberg Reference and Circulation staff manned a table in Towers lobby Monday, Oct. 7 through Thursday, Oct. 10, from 3 to 6 p.m. Students had a chance to try out our new iPads and get expert research help. We also surveyed students to ask their preferences for additional Research to Go locations. Look for us during finals in the Union and residence halls.

Bloomberg® @ Gumberg

Gumberg’s newest database is Bloomberg® Professional Service made available to us by the Investment Center in the School of Business. Business students use Bloomberg® to conduct real time financial market research. It’s easy to spot the Bloomberg® terminal with its double screen and colorful keyboard in the new fourth floor lounge. Gumberg is a convenient spot for students to complete Bloomberg® training and homework assignments when the eleven Bloomberg® terminals in the Investment Center are not available due to classes or meetings.

Bringing the Unique Treasures of Gumberg to Light

By Robert Behary, Systems Librarian

A recent trend in academic libraries is to take special and unique items hidden deep within special collections and expose them to the world through digitization. Gumberg Library began digitizing uniquely Duquesne resources over five years ago and the collections have been growing ever since. This past year alone, the Pittsburgh Catholic newspaper, the premier chronicle of Catholic life in the Diocese of Pittsburgh, crossed a digital threshold. More than 100 years of the newspaper are now available, including the earliest issues in 1844 through the Pope Pius XII years of the 1950s.

New digitized items have also been added to the Spiritan Collection. In a partnership with the Center for Spiritan Studies, the library has added new subject headings and tables of content that make searching and accessing the collection easier than ever. If you would like to include information about the Spiritan co-founders and other Spiritan luminaries in your courses, consider pointing students toward the online Spiritan Collection.

For these and other treasures, visit http://digital.library.duq.edu and see all that we have to offer.
E-Reserves: Course Materials on Demand

By Shawn Klocek, Reserves Assistant

The digital revolution didn’t happen—it’s happening—all the time. And as new gadgets and software seem to flood the market with the threat of eternal distraction, they also present opportunities to enrich the way students study, research and produce scholarship.

At Gumberg Library, our staff is committed to incorporating technology in the service of inquiry. We are preparing to roll out a brand new fleet of iPads that students can use in the library. Our eBook collection has reached 90,000 titles and continues to grow. More than 200 online databases connect students to more than 100,000 journals. And our librarians now answer questions through a live chat service, text messaging, email and in person.

In my capacity as course reserves coordinator at the library, I work with faculty to curate electronic course reserve pages. There, students can access links to eBooks and database articles, read digitized book and journal excerpts, and be directed to more or less anything that is freely accessible on the web. These course reserve pages can be accessed at any time through a variety of platforms—PC, tablet, smart phone, you name it.

This service is an invaluable tool that allows instructors to introduce students to a multi-faceted reading list. There are limits to what can be reproduced fairly with respect to copyright restrictions, which makes the service more appropriate for small excerpts of printed books and journals than for larger portions of textbooks or creative works. That being said, with so many electronic books and journals available through library licensing and through public domain, it is hard to imagine any subject for which pertinent, insightful and engaging material cannot be found.

My colleagues and I also work to secure licensing for electronic books at instructors’ requests. So, if you don’t find what you are looking for in our catalog, let us know.

For more information about electronic reserves, contact Shawn Klocek at kloceks@duq.edu or 412.396.6131.

E-ZBorrow Update: New York University Added to Member Libraries

E-ZBorrow is currently adding New York University to its pool of member libraries. NYU’s 3.7 million volumes will soon be available for researchers at Duquesne to use free of charge through the E-ZBorrow system. E-ZBorrow also encompasses 50 member libraries in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and New Jersey. Faculty can borrow items from E-ZBorrow participating libraries for a total of eight weeks (four weeks with one four week renewal). You can access E-ZBorrow at: http://guides.library.duq.edu/e-zborrow.

For answers to your questions about E-ZBorrow, contact William Feher at feher@duq.edu or 412.396.6127.

Suggest a Purchase to the Library

By Tracie Ballock, Collection Management Librarian and Bridget Euliano, Acquisitions Librarian

The Gumberg Library welcomes and encourages recommendations from students, faculty and staff for books, CDs, DVDs and any other one-time purchase items that would be appropriate resources for our collection. Materials that support the study, instruction and research by members of the University community are given first priority. However, we do welcome suggestions for our Popular Reading Collection and are happy to purchase some popular CDs and DVDs. Rather than requesting a specific title, you may also suggest a subject area that needs to be updated or requires additional resources.

To make a request, fill out the Suggest a Purchase Form as completely as possible, including the “Comments” box, to enable the library to correctly identify the material that you would like to have purchased. Please be certain to fill in your contact information and check “yes” if you would like the library to notify you when the item is received. Then click the “Submit” button. We try to fulfill as many appropriate requests as possible, budget permitting.
**Curriculum Center Adds 200 New Resources for ESL Students**

In collaboration with the ESL Department and English Department, the Curriculum Center added 200 new resources for ESL students. The Curriculum Center is located on the fifth floor of the Gumberg Library and supports the curriculum needs of the School of Education, the School of Music and the Speech and Language Pathology Program.

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**iPads @ Gumberg**

From early experiments with tablet computing to handheld devices to mobile-optimized websites, Gumberg Library has long been at the forefront of the mobile technology movement. Now for the first time, Gumberg plans to begin lending mobile technology to students. Students will be able to borrow an iPad for up to three hours. With the iPads, students will have access to library resources from anywhere inside the library building, including the private study rooms, group study areas and quiet study zones.

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**What is New at Gumberg Library? See for Yourself!**

Can you find the library’s new digital message board that keeps users informed of library hours, events and services?

Can you find the new safety cameras installed on all five floors of the library?

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**11 Days of Peace, September 11 - 21**

Spiritan Campus Ministry and Gumberg Library collaborated in supporting the 11 Days of Peace at Duquesne University.

(Right) On Thursday, Sept. 19, in the Gumberg Library Popular Reading Area, Duquesne international students Md Rezwanul Badhan (Bangladesh), Abdullah Alghadheeb (Saudi Arabia) and Aminata Soko (Mauritania) discussed their customs and culture.

(Below) Linda Donovan, Spiritan Campus Minister, moderates an informal discussion about religious tolerance and cultural differences among attendees.

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Welcome, Circulation Evening Supervisor Johnny Erevia

Johnny Erevia, Gumberg’s new circulation evening supervisor, has a Bachelor’s of Arts in History from Bluffton University in Ohio, where he served as a Residence Hall Director. He came to Pittsburgh in the fall of 2012 as a year-long Americorps service worker with an organization called PULSE. He has completed training in multiple conflict resolution programs such as Pittsburgh’s own Dialogue and Resolution Center. He is excited to be working in the student-driven and academically-oriented atmosphere of Duquesne University.

University Archives Displays Feature Unique JFK Memorabilia

Materials in the display include several photos, a special inaugural program signed by Jacqueline Kennedy, a signed letter from President Kennedy and much more. The items on display are part of The Honorable Michael A. Musmanno Papers.

The display case is located on the first floor of the Gumberg Library outside the Special Collections area and was created in support of Passing the Torch: An International Symposium on the 50th Anniversary of the Assassination of President John F. Kennedy, held on Oct. 17-19 at Duquesne University.

Creative Teaching Award Honors Gumberg Library and English Department Partnership

Marcia Rapchak, instruction librarian, and Ava Cipri, instructor of English, received a Creative Teaching Award in the spring of 2013 for piloting the Research and Information Skills Lab within a learning community. The Creative Teaching Awards emphasize innovative teaching and assessing student learning. Rapchak and Cipri worked together to link course goals and assignments between the Research and Information Skills Lab and the Thinking and Writing Across the Curriculum course in the learning community PERSONAE. Due to the success of the pilot, the Research and Information Lab, taught by librarian and adjunct faculty, will be included in all the learning communities within McAnulty College.

Gumberg Library Offers a Variety of Presentations

Gumberg Library offers a variety of interesting programs for students and faculty ranging from scholarly, to practical, to just plain fun—see the special announcement about “Haunted Duquesne.”

Mark Your Calendars

November 12 – Citation Management Software Sampler, 1 to 2:30 p.m., Room 202, Gumberg Library

November 15 – Copyright Essentials at Duquesne, 1 to 2 p.m., Room 408, Gumberg Library

Full details are always available on our website at http://guides.library.duq.edu/presentations.
Haunted Duquesne? Hear Ghost Stories at Gumberg!

University Archivist Thomas White, author of several books on Pennsylvania folklore and most recently, Witches of Pennsylvania: Occult History and Lore, will tell ghost stories and legends of the University and surrounding neighborhoods.

**Wednesday, October 30, 8-9:30 p.m.**  
**Silverman Center, First Floor Gumberg Library**

Tasty treats too!

Get your copy of Witches of Pennsylvania in electronic or paperback formats from Barnes and Noble, Amazon.com and The History Press.

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Gumberg’s Health Sciences Librarian Receives NAHRS Award

David A. Nolfi, MLS, AHIP, health sciences librarian and library assessment coordinator, received the Award for Professional Excellence from the Nursing and Allied Health Resources Section of the Medical Library Association (MLA). The award recognizes “outstanding leadership and service for a librarian in meeting the information needs of nursing and allied health professionals.”

MLA is a nonprofit, educational organization of more than 1,100 institutions and 3,600 individual members in the health sciences information field, committed to educating health information professionals, supporting health information research, promoting access to the world’s health sciences information and working to ensure that the best health information is available to all.

Recycled Forest Grows Interest in Earth Day

Adjunct Reference Librarian Jessica Smith presented a poster on the recycled forest she created at Gumberg Library for Earth Day. The presentation took place at the Western Pennsylvania/West Virginia Chapter of the Association for College and Research Libraries (WPWVC/ACRL) conference at West Virginia University and sparked the interest of many librarians there – including the ALA President-Elect, Courtney Young.

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Winners of the Gumberg Library Award for Undergraduate Research Announced

Melissa Meola and Ashley Leposky (not pictured), seniors in the School of Nursing, were the winners of the first Gumberg Library Award for Undergraduate Research—they will share a cash prize of $250. Their poster on the “Prevention of Ventilator Associated Pneumonia (VAP)” was one of the posters accepted for Duquesne University’s 2013 Undergraduate Research and Scholarship Symposium (URSS). A committee of library faculty and administrators judged relevant posters based on the posters’ intellectual merits and demonstration that the research presented met the standard of its field.

Endowed Scholarship Award Goes to Three Gumberg Students

Three Gumberg Library Circulation Department students were awarded the Gumberg Library Endowed Student Scholarship. The top award went to Sara Quinn, an Integrated Marketing Communication major; runners up were, Jacquelyn Lopez, a Marketing major, and Rachel Komisak, a Nursing major. A brief presentation ceremony took place in the Popular Reading Area on the fourth floor of the Gumberg Library on Tuesday, April 16, 2013, during National Library Week.

MAC Vision Scholarship Winner Interns at Gumberg

Gumberg Library health sciences intern Erin Wolverton was selected to receive the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the Medical Library Association’s 2013 Vision Scholarship. The scholarship is designed to give students the opportunity to learn more about health sciences librarianship through interaction, networking and mentorship at the chapter’s annual meeting. The scholarship covers the cost of registration, meals and workshops as well as special programming and events aimed at emerging professionals. Ms. Wolverton is a student in the University of Pittsburgh’s Masters in Library and Information Science program and began her Gumberg Library internship in August 2013.
Watch for More Details...

Book lovers and shoppers! The Scholastic Book Sale will be held Friday, Dec. 6 through Friday, Dec. 13, in the Student Union Atrium.

Book sale opens daily at 10 a.m. and benefits the Maureen Sullivan Curriculum Center on the fifth floor of Gumberg Library. To submit special book requests or get more information, contact Danielle Buck at 412.396.1858.

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