Library Adds New Electronic Resources

DUQUESNE RESEARCHERS HAVE ACCESS TO HUNDREDS OF NEW E-JOURNALS

By Dr. Paul J. Pugliese, University Librarian

Members of the Library staff, with faculty and student input, constantly seek to identify those resources that will have the greatest impact for all disciplines. In an effort to support the curriculum and the research needs of students and faculty, the Library has purchased the following significant electronic resources: IDEAL (Academic Press), ACS Web Editions, Current Contents Connect (ISI), MathSciNet, Mental Measurements Yearbook, CINAHL PlusText, ScienceDirect (Elsevier), Ovid and POIESIS.

The Library maintains a balanced wish list of electronic full text databases that may be considered as future additions to the Library’s holdings. Anticipated need, potential use, remote access capability as well as cost and budget allocations will continue to be factors determining which databases the Library will be able to purchase. The Library will continue to request additional funds in the future for the purchase of electronic books and full text journal subscriptions to complete its efforts to be comprehensive and representative.

For more in-depth information on these new resources see the BiblioFile and TechFile sections of this issue.

"The Library has purchased several new electronic resources to better serve the research needs of the Duquesne community. I am pleased to share this news with you and encourage you to do the same with your colleagues and fellow students."

Dr. Paul J. Pugliese, University Librarian
New Electronic Resources Available on the Gumberg Library Website

Duquesne University researchers can access all these electronic resources from the Gumberg Library homepage at <http://www.library.duq.edu> or by connecting directly to the Library’s electronic resources page at <http://www.library.duq.edu/eresources>. For more information, please contact the Reference Department at 412-396-6133 or AskRef@duq.edu.

IDEAL

IDEAL, the Internet Digital Electronic Access Library, provides electronic full text access to nearly 200 journals published by Academic Press. PDF versions of articles from 1997 forward are available at no charge to Duquesne University users. IDEAL’s search capability allows searching all articles and abstracts or browsing tables of contents.

Journal articles made available through IDEAL are also linked to the National Center for Biotechnology Information’s PubMed website <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/PubMed/>. When using PubMed within the Duquesne University network you can automatically link to the full text of IDEAL journal articles.

A list of the IDEAL journal titles available to Duquesne University researchers can be viewed at <http://www.idealibrary.com/servlet/useragent?func=showContractJournalsFT&id=10963>.

Mental Measurements Yearbook

Mental Measurements Yearbook, produced by the Buros Institute, contains descriptive information and critical reviews of more than 2,000 commercially available standardized English language educational, personality, aptitude, neuropsychological, achievement and intelligence tests. Each entry includes test name and classification; author(s); publisher, publication date; price; time requirements; existence of validity and reliability data; score descriptions; levels; and intended populations. This electronic version contains the text of the Buros’ 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th Yearbooks, and is updated every six months. Older editions of Mental Measurements Yearbook are available on the 4th floor of the Gumberg Library (ZS814. P8 B932).

ACS Web Editions

ACS Web Editions is a searchable database of journals published by the American Chemical Society. It includes table of contents access and full text articles in both HTML and PDF versions. Coverage begins with January 2001. Access through ACS Web Editions is available sooner than that through print editions. Direct links to ACS Web Editions journal articles are also available in SciFinder Scholar (Chemical Abstracts).

A list of ACS Web Editions journals available at no charge to Duquesne University users can be viewed at <http://www.library.duq.edu/corc/acs-fulltext.htm>.
Ovid Full Text Electronic Journals

Ovid provides a new way of accessing familiar databases like Medline, Health and Psychosocial Instruments (HaPI), and HealthSTAR. Ovid also includes access to new databases previously unavailable through the Gumberg Library, including: Evidence Based Medicine Reviews (Best Evidence, Cochrane, and DARE), CANCERLIT, PREMEDLINE, and Journals@Ovid.

Journals@Ovid provides full text access to nearly 100 journals. A list of the journal titles is available at <http://www.library.duq.edu/corc/ovid-fulltext.htm>. It also indexes and provides tables of contents to at least 200 additional health-related and life sciences journals. Years of coverage vary by journal. Journals@Ovid has the capability to provide links to specific articles from Web pages. For example, you can link directly to a specific article from CourseInfo or your own homepage. For more information on this capability, contact David Nolfi, Health Sciences Librarian (412-396-4931 or nolfi@duq.edu).

The Library’s homepage contains full descriptions of the other Ovid databases. In order to view them, go to <http://www.library.duq.edu/eresources> and click Health Sciences.

CINAHL PlusText
(Cumulative Index of Nursing and Allied Health Literature)

CINAHL PlusText provides access to more than 260 full text journals in nursing, allied health, health administration, and other related topics. A list of the journal titles is available at <http://www.library.duq.edu/corc/cinahl-fulltext.htm>. CINAHL PlusText also provides indexing and abstracting to more than 1,200 health-related journals including virtually all major English-language nursing journals, publications from the American Nurses Association and the National League for Nursing, as well as primary journals from thirteen allied health disciplines.

POIESIS
(Philosophy Online Serials)

POIESIS provides access to the full text of philosophy journals published by philosophical societies, university presses and departments, and commercial publishers. It includes articles, book reviews, footnotes, announcements, and notices. POIESIS currently includes access to 12 full text journals and plans to add more full text titles in the near future.

For a full list of available journals go to <http://www.library.duq.edu/corc/poiesisfulltext.htm>.

ScienceDirect

ScienceDirect provides full text electronic access to 68 scientific, technical, and medical journals published by Elsevier and selected additional publishers from 1995 to present. Full text articles include PDF and HTML versions with cross-linked references to other articles in the database. ScienceDirect also allows abstract searching for more than 2,900 journals. A list of ScienceDirect journals available at no charge to Duquesne University users can be viewed at <http://www.library.duq.edu/corc/science-direct-fulltext.htm>. 
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Current Contents Connect

Current Contents Connect is a multidisciplinary current awareness database updated weekly that provides access to complete bibliographic information from articles, editorials, meeting abstracts, commentaries, and other significant items in recently published editions of over 8,000 of the world’s leading scholarly journals and more than 2,000 books. Current Contents Connect is available in seven discipline-specific editions: Agriculture; Biology and Environmental Sciences; Arts and Humanities; Clinical Medicine; Engineering Computing and Technology; Life Sciences; Physical, Chemical and Earth Sciences, and Social and Behavioral Sciences.

MathSciNet

MathSciNet consists of two databases: Mathematical Reviews and Current Mathematical Publications. MathSciNet links directly to the online article, which may be at the publisher’s or journal’s website or at the website of a service such as JSTOR or Science Direct. However, access to full text articles is available only if the Gumberg Library subscribes to electronic versions of the journals. A current list of linked titles can be viewed at <http://www.ams.org/msnhtml/journal-list.html>.

Mathematical Reviews contains the full text of signed reviews and bibliographic data from the first issue in January 1940 to the present. Journals, conference proceedings, and books of mathematics research are covered. It is updated monthly.

Current Mathematical Publications, a subject index of recent and forthcoming publications including books and videos, is updated daily. All items in Mathematical Reviews appear first in Current Mathematical Publications.

WebSPIRS Interface Discontinued for Several Databases

Starting in September 2001, Gumberg Library will discontinue the familiar WebSPIRS (i.e., SilverPlatter) interface for MEDLINE, CINAHL, International Pharmaceutical Abstracts (IPA) and SPORT Discus. MEDLINE and CINAHL are already available through new interfaces, which now offer connections to the full text of articles. The Library will introduce Ovid versions of IPA and SPORT Discus starting in September 2001.

Gumberg Library is not entirely phasing out the WebSPIRS interface. It will remain the interface of choice for the following databases: Analytical Abstracts, ATLA Religion Database, ERIC, Mental Measurements Yearbook, MLA Bibliography, Philosopher’s Index, PsycINFO, Sociological Abstracts, and Ulrich’s.
NLM Databases on Gumberg Website

In addition to new electronic resource purchases, the Library’s website provides a gateway to some of the most important bibliographic databases available free of charge. The National Library of Medicine (NLM) produces numerous free databases, which are made available through three interfaces: PubMed, PubMed Central, and Internet Grateful Med. Each is described briefly below. To access the databases, go to <http://www.library.duq.edu/eresources> and click Health Sciences or use the URLs listed below.

Internet Grateful Med

Internet Grateful Med provides free access to the following databases that are not otherwise available via the Gumberg Library: AIDSDRUGS, AIDSLINE, AIDSTRIALS, BIOETHICSLINE, ChemID, HISTLINE, HSRPROJ, OLDMEDLINE (MEDLINE for 1958-66), POPLINE, SDILINE, SPACELINE, MEDLINEplus (consumer information), and NIH Clinical Alerts. It also provides an alternate method of access for MEDLINE, HealthSTAR, and TOXLINE, which the Library offers via Cambridge Scientific Abstracts.

NLM will officially phase out Internet Grateful Med in the coming months. Many of these databases will merge into the new NLM Gateway <http://gateway.nlm.nih.gov>.

PubMed

PubMed provides access to bibliographic information drawn primarily from MEDLINE, PREMEDLINE, HealthSTAR, and “publisher-supplied” citations. PubMed links to journals at participating publishers’ sites. Some of the journals indexed in PubMed are available in full text to all Duquesne researchers. Not all journals linked to PubMed provide full content and many require user registrations, subscriptions, or access fees. PubMed also provides access and links to the integrated molecular biology databases included in National Center for Biotechnology Information’s Entrez retrieval system. These databases contain DNA and protein sequences, 3-D protein structure data, population study data sets, and assemblies of complete genomes in an integrated system.

PubMed Central
http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov

PubMed Central provides free online access to the full text of research articles from participating life sciences journals. PubMed Central accepts articles from journals currently indexed in major research databases, such as EMBASE, BIOSIS, MEDLINE, Science Citation Index, AGRICOLA, PsycINFO, and Chemical Abstracts. PubMed Central also accepts articles from journals that have three or more research-grant holders from major funding agencies on their editorial boards.
Electronic Journals in DuCat
By Tracie Mineo and Carmel Yurochko, Serials/Electronic Resources Department

The Gumberg Library created its new Serials/Electronic Resources Department on July 1, 2000. After approximately five months of information gathering, training, and networking, the Serials staff began cataloging the Library’s electronic journals. Cataloging will facilitate locating electronic journals through DuCat. When the Library owns a title in a format other than electronic, such as print and microfilm, a separate record appears in DuCat for the electronic title. In addition, corresponding print or microfilm records have been linked to the electronic records. Researchers can now search DuCat and directly connect to many of the Library’s electronic journals.

There are two ways to locate electronic journals:

1. Do a search for a specific journal title. If DuCat indicates that the Library owns the title, choose the listing with “Online” following the journal title.

2. Do a subject search for “electronic journals.” This search will lead to an alphabetical list of all cataloged electronic titles in the Gumberg Library.

At this point you will find that each title has a holdings box indicating the appropriate database and the Library’s holdings for that title. When a journal title is found in only one database, the database name is listed in the holdings box. For example, the American Journal of Sociology is available through JSTOR:

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Some journals are available in multiple formats. A hyperlink to the electronic title has been added to the other format(s). The hyperlink in the print or microfilm record will take you directly to the online format in the database.

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Cataloging electronic journals greatly streamlines the research process. Once this cataloging project is finished, researchers will be able to connect to all Gumberg Library electronic journals using DuCat. For questions about the electronic journal cataloging project, contact Ms. Tracie Mineo at 412-396-4560 (or via email at eisel@duq.edu). For questions about searching DuCat or using electronic journals, contact the Reference Department at 412-396-6133 or AskRef@duq.edu.
Greater Pittsburgh Literacy Council
“Putting the power of reading and writing within reach”

The Greater Pittsburgh Literacy Council (GPLC) was founded by one volunteer in 1976 and incorporated in 1982. It has emerged as Allegheny County’s leading nonprofit organization in the field of adult and family literacy. The Council defines “literacy” to include skills from the beginning reading level to high school completion.

Through a carefully developed compendium of educational programs and services, more than 10,000 students improved their basic reading, writing, computational, and computer skills. GPLC educational specialists design instructional programs that focus on the individual student’s goals and needs. These goals can include acquiring a high school equivalency diploma, developing the life skills needed to function more effectively in everyday life, or learning word processing in a technologically advanced environment, to name a few. The one-to-one tutoring approach to literacy development has remained a common type of instruction in the organization along with the recently designed group instruction.

As the economy changes, there are fewer jobs which nonreaders can perform successfully. Many of the unemployed cannot be retrained until they master basic reading and writing skills. The cost of this wasted human potential is staggering. Undereducated adults who enroll in literacy training get far more than a basic education. There is a very real power gained by someone who learns to read and write – the power to be in control of their own lives.

GPLC has received both national and state recognition for its research in evaluating results of literacy programs. It was selected as one of sixteen programs in the nation for a study on the positive outcomes of literacy instruction. In Pennsylvania, GPLC became one of ten programs to participate in an evaluation of literacy improvement efforts. The Pennsylvania Department of Education designated GPLC as the Southwest Professional Development Center for adult educators. GPLC now provides training and consulting services to thirty-five adult education programs in a seven-county area.

Greater Pittsburgh Literacy Council’s effective and widely recognized programs and services have brought together tutors and students, parents and children, and employers and employees to work on complex, real-world problems that require literacy development and professional skill enhancement. GPLC aims to prepare its students for life and leadership in a continually changing world.

Gumberg Library Supports Community Literacy

As part of the Gumberg Library’s National Library Week celebration in April 2000, the staff selected the Greater Pittsburgh Literacy Council (GPLC) as its outreach project for the year. The staff’s monetary contributions comprised a year-end donation presented to the GPLC in December on behalf of the Library.

A note to the GPLC emphasized the importance of literacy as an issue close to the hearts of all libraries. Although technological enhancements contribute to the move toward the use of electronic sources of information, reading is still the basic skill that lays the groundwork for learning and understanding information in any format.

The Library commended the efforts of the GPLC in the Pittsburgh community and surrounding areas. This nonprofit organization enables both children and adults to become contributing members of their communities. In addition, literacy provides an opportunity for people to gain a sense of confidence, to move forward in their lives, and to take control in areas that might previously have seemed impossible. The efforts of the GPLC have far reaching effects and make this part of the world a brighter place!
Phenomenology Center Symposium

The Simon Silverman Phenomenology Center will hold its Nineteenth Annual Symposium March 9-10, 2001. The topic of the Symposium will be The Phenomenology of Childhood.

Among the many noted speakers included are Dr. Wilfried Lippitz who will present a paper titled “The Child in (Auto-) biographical Perspective: Possibilities of a Genealogical Research and Methods in Phenomenology,” and Dr. Max van Manen presenting a paper titled “Naming Childhood.”

The Symposium will be held at the Law School and the opening session begins at 9:00 a.m. on Friday March 9. It is free and open to the public. For further information, contact:

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Staff Changes at the Gumberg Library

Join us in wishing good luck to two staff members who recently left the Library.

Carolyn Cunningham, Instructional Services Librarian, has accepted a position at the Shaler North Hills Library. Carolyn had been a staff member at the Gumberg Library since 1991. She began her tenure in the Library as a Reference Librarian and played a key role in the Gumberg Library’s vast technological expansion in the 1990s. Carolyn was responsible for the development and maintenance of the Library’s Web pages and was instrumental in creating the online course pages for the Information Literacy courses. She was named Instructional Services Librarian in 1999, utilizing her expertise with technology, reference service and instruction. Carolyn’s easy-going manner, professionalism, and friendliness will be greatly missed by all.

Kelly Simile, Interlibrary Loan Clerk, has also left to accept a position in the Rangos School of Health Sciences at Duquesne. Kelly joined the Gumberg Library staff in 1996, in a dual role as a clerk serving both the Circulation and Interlibrary Loan departments. In 1997 she assumed her duties with Interlibrary Loan. According to Kathryn Julius, Interlibrary Coordinator, Kelly will be sadly missed for her expertise and dedicated service.