Course Reserves Go Electronic

Course Reserve is an integral teaching component for many instructors on campus. The Reserve Unit, Access Services, makes available over 6,000 supplemental course materials each semester. This spring we have expanded Reserve to include Web access.

The new electronic Reserve system permits us to scan certain materials (see box at left) and make them available online. When students click on the special e-Reserve link, their Web browsers become windows to view articles day or night from any location.

Check out our new electronic Reserve options at http://lib.colostate.edu/reserve/.

Materials Eligible for e-Reserve:
- Quizzes/exams/solutions
- Homework assignments
- Study guides prepared by instructor
- Overheads prepared by instructor
- Bibliographies or lists prepared by instructor
- Lecture notes
- Student papers
- Government publications
- One journal article per course, per semester
- One book chapter per course, per semester

Jim Farmer, University Award Winner

Jim Farmer, Coordinator of Access Services and the Library Building Proctor, was selected to receive the University Classified Personnel Council’s 1999 Outstanding Achievement Award. This prestigious award is given annually to five university employees selected from over 2,500 CSU staff members. Jim’s selection for the award is based on his outstanding management skills and exemplary customer service.

Faculty Comment on the New Electronic Reserve System

“My students were using it before I even announced it in class. I like the fact that students can access the materials from home or anywhere else – all they need is the Internet. This is an ideal medium for transmitting large quantities of information to lots of students. Now that I have a test bank established it will be easy for me to just add to it each semester.”

Robert G. Schwebach
Department of Finance and Real Estate
How the Libraries Help You

Remote Access Technical Assistance – information on how to set up your computer so you can search the Libraries’ databases off-campus; directions are on the Libraries’ Web site at http://lib.colostate.edu/distance/ or you can contact us by email at offcamp@manta.colostate.edu for specialized assistance. For more information, contact Kevin Cullen,

Shop on Sage – library staff retrieve books from the collections for you that can be picked up at Morgan’s Loan/Reserve Desk, the Atmospheric Science Branch Library, or at the Veterinary Teaching Hospital Branch Library. For more information, contact Brenda Duffy or check http://lib.colostate.edu/access

Resources by Subject – information on print and electronic sources for a wide variety of subjects and disciplines accessible through the Libraries’ Web site at http://lib.colostate.edu/research/

Ask a Librarian – our electronic reference service where you can ask reference questions; it is located on the Libraries’ Web site at http://lib.colostate.edu/reference/emailref.html

Instruction – sessions for your classes on how to use subject-specific library resources, print and electronic, by library subject specialists. We also offer library workshops on using the Internet, finding full-text sources, and searching specific databases.

an excellent resource for locating business news and information electronically. Business Resources on the WWW, http://vulture.library.colostate.edu/research/business, provides links to corporate financial data, corporate and tax information, international business resources, and business magazines such as Forbes and Business Week.

This site is a tremendous resource for researching investment options. For example, select Company and Industry on the WEB for a hotlink to Zack’s University Analyst Watch. This site contains specific information about individual businesses including: company reports; P ratios; debt to equity; industry rank; charts; current stock prices; and detailed brokerage research on publicly traded companies.

If you don’t have time to browse specific sites, try clicking Reference on the Business Resource page and then select CEO Express. CEO Express was designed by a busy executive for busy executives. It includes daily international news, time, weather, and full-text business magazines.

For more information on this exciting Web page, please contact Awilda Reyes at 491-3651.

Library Subject Specialists

All CSU academic departments have a subject librarian who is responsible for collection development, library instruction, and specialized individual assistance. Here, 22 librarians are assigned specific disciplines based on educational or professional experience.

For example, Doug Ernest is the subject specialist for political science and law, history, area studies, military science and aerospace. He works closely with those faculties on all aspects of collection development, both print and electronic. He also uses his expertise to provide group instruction on how to use library resources for specific classes. People are routinely referred to him for individual in-depth assistance with specific assignments or questions. Doug’s knowledge and experience are valued by faculty, students, and library colleagues.

He can be reached at 491-1861 or dernest@manta.colostate.edu.
BP Amoco Company Donates Library Collection

Last year when the BP Amoco Oil Company closed down satellite offices and libraries, Denver Amoco librarian, Jill Mally, thought about the CSU Libraries as a repository for their mining, geology, and remote sensing materials. Aware of our loss in the 1997 flood, Jill believed that this collection could help replace damaged materials and enhance the Libraries’ holdings. Due to Jill’s efforts, and those of Gerald Craig, a CSU alumnus, and Frank Etheridge, Earth Sciences Department faculty member, arrangements were made to donate these materials and the Libraries was delighted to accept this substantial gift.

The collection consists of over 30,000 items including atlases, maps, state geological society publications, textbooks, conference proceedings, association publications and standards, theses and dissertations, and federal documents. About half of the materials have been processed and are now on the shelves in Morgan Library. In addition, it includes 75,000 aerial photographs of the Rocky Mountain region. The aerial photographs are an especially exciting part of the gift so we will make a special announcement when they become available.

The gift included numerous runs of journal issues. Many became replacements for bound journals lost in the flood while others were added as new items to the Libraries’ collections. Library staff is working closely with the Earth Sciences Department faculty to continue reviewing items for addition to the collection.

We want to thank Jill Mally and BP Amoco for this generous donation. For additional information, contact Suzanne Taylor at 491-1880.

Welcome New Library Faculty

We are pleased to welcome Lori Oling to our Reference Services Instruction team. Lori is working with the CO150 and Honors programs, designing and teaching Web-based instruction sessions to reflect the needs of particular courses. She is a key member of the Library Computer-Assisted Instruction team that is designing an automated instruction module to support First Year Seminar instruction in the fall.

Before coming to CSU, Lori was a librarian at the Heska Corporation and at the Auraria Library in Denver. She has an MLS from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Lori has already received ample praise for her lively, intelligent classroom presentations. She applies her wit and communication skills to keep students challenged and engaged. You may contact Lori at loling@manta.colostate.edu or call 491-6847.

The Libraries welcome Michelle Wilde, the new physical sciences librarian in Reference Services. She is the liaison to the Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics, Mathematics, and Statistics Departments. Michelle says this position appealed to her because of its “eclectic mix of responsibilities” involving collection development, reference work, and instruction.

While at Oregon State University, Michelle studied English, Russian, and environmental science; she graduated in 1993. She participated in a UC-Berkeley Intensive Summer Russian Program followed by a year in Russia studying at St. Petersburg State University. She obtained a master’s degree in Library Science from Indiana University-Bloomington.

Michelle most recently held the position of Science and Technology Librarian/Coordinator of Library Instruction at the University of Missouri-Rolla. Having grown up in the San Francisco Bay area camping and hiking in the Sierras, she is happy to be back in the West with its mountains and she looks forward to “no humidity in the summer.” You may contact Michelle at mwilde@manta.colostate.edu or call 491-1860.
New Free Service: HP Scanner Stations

Two HP ScanJet scanners are now available to users for digitizing images and text materials. The scanners are self-service stations located in Morgan Library’s Electronic Information Center (EIC), 1st floor, and the Journal Room, 2nd floor of Morgan Library. Image files can be saved to floppy disks in a variety of graphic formats. Scanned text and images can also be sent to the Libraries’ networked printing system at a cost of 10¢ for black & white and 50¢ for color. File compression (ENZIP) and FTP (File Transfer Protocol) are available options for transferring large files. Contact Lindsey Wess (491-1644) lwess@manta.colostate.edu or Diana Wess (491-7485) dwess@manta.colostate.edu for more information.

Arts in the Library Series

A recent exhibit on China’s Cultural Revolution contained items from the personal collection of Todd Cornell, Fort Collins’ resident (shown in photo left, with Joel Rutstein, Exhibits Coordinator).