



Mont Alto Library

Library Hours:

Mon-Fri. 8am-10 pm
Sat-Sun Noon - 10 pm

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Your Library — Help Us Make It Better



I would like to welcome all returning and new students, staff, and faculty to Penn State Mont Alto for the spring 2009 semester. Your information needs are our business and we like to know what our patrons think of our services. Last spring, as part of a university wide survey, library patrons were asked to complete a survey about the library. Here are some of the comments from the Mont Alto community:

- *They took the time to make me feel welcomed and explained all their services.*
- *Mont Alto Campus Library is behind in the times and in the space.*
- *The Mont Alto library staff and services are EXCELLENT!*
- *The biggest problem is that kids talk too loudly in the library sometimes...*

Comments such as these, both positive and negative, help us plan future library services that meet our patrons' needs.

Do you have something to say about the library? Please take the time to fill out the suggestion form below and tell us how we can make the library a better place. Forms may be dropped off in the library in the *Suggestions* box at the circulation desk or sent through the campus mail.

Alica White
Head Librarian

IM *MontAltoLibrary*



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Things I like about the library:

Things I don't like about the library:

How I would change the library:

Drop off in Suggestions box at Circulation Desk or send to the Library through campus mail.



**Complete German:
The Basics**
(4 CDs + 2 books)

Want to brush up on another language?

If you've ever wanted to study another language now could be the time.

How about Spanish, French, German, or Italian?

Stop by the library and take a look at some of our new books and CDs.

Here are a few of the titles:

- Spanish for Travelers
- Spanish on the Job for Healthcare Workers
- Fodor's French for Travelers
- Complete French: The Basics
- Fodor's Italian for Travelers
- Complete Italian: The Basics
- Complete German: The Basics

*Would you like to
work in the
campus library
this semester?"*

Student Workers Enhance the Library

Would you like to work in the campus library this spring semester? We are looking for some more dedicated, hard-working students. Evening and weekend shifts will be required.

To apply for work, please stop by the Circulation Desk and ask for Peggy Angelovich, or call 717-749-6182 or email Peggy at mka11@psu.edu.

Our dedicated student workers provide valuable services to the campus library by performing circulation duties and assisting wherever they may be needed. Shelving books and periodicals, checking in interlibrary loan items, and performing special projects are a few of the tasks these capable students provide. Their commitment to the

campus was shown when they volunteered to keep the library open until midnight during the fall semester exams.

Look for these friendly faces when you visit the library: Ramona Algarin, Carol Chang, Emma Childs, Jessica Daye, Lauren Deckert, Erica Hockenberry, and Brittany VanWright.

Thanks to a special IT/Library collaboration, the library now offers additional hours and computer support on Friday and Saturday evenings. This fall four IT student workers were cross-trained on computer-lab and library circulation duties. Troy Boggs, Jordan Burris, Marc Costa and Casey Miller team up to provide the campus with these extra weekend hours.

Worldcat.org

Search more than 10,000 libraries worldwide

Penn State has a very large library system and many times you can find just the book you need.

However, if you would like to search for books or videos that Penn State does not have, give WorldCat a try -- a database that searches the "collections of libraries in your community and thousands more around the world".

To borrow an item from any other library, click 'Interlibrary Loan' from the Penn State library website and submit your request.



Tolkien Expert to Discuss “Lord of the Rings”

On **Wednesday April 1, from 2-3 pm**

Giovanni Agnoloni, a writer and scholar, will be on campus to give a presentation at the library.

Agnoloni was born in Florence and obtained a diploma from the Liceo Classico (Classical Studies High School) “Galileo” and earned an honors degree in Law from the University of Florence.

He has published several texts including the essay *Letteratura del fantastico – I giardini di Lorien* (“Fantastic Literature – The Gardens of Lorien”) where he compares Tolkien to several authors from the Greek, Latin, Italian and other countries’ literatures, and further analy-

ses the sceneries of Middle-Earth in an aesthetic-emotional travel aiming at the heart of Tolkien’s creativity and at the secret of the charm of his masterpiece, *The Lord of the Rings*.

Agnoloni has also participated in the International Convention for the 50th anniversary of *The Lord of the Rings*, in Birmingham, UK, with a paper by the title *Tolkien as a Benchmark of Comparative Literature – Middle Earth of Our World*.

Please join us for this educational and entertaining event.

MediaTech Requests

In addition to the materials available through the University Libraries, more than 23,000 films, videos, and DVDs are available from MediaTech (Media Technology & Support Services).

Beginning this semester, it is no longer necessary to fill out a separate form when requesting videos from MediaTech. Items can be selected directly from the library catalog (The CAT) using the ‘I Want It’ button. Videos will be shipped immediately and will be checked out for 7 days.

MediaTech will continue to offer its booking service for users who need to reserve a film or video for a specific date.

Requests for future use can be placed using the MediaTech link on the Mont Alto Library website or by calling 800-826-0132.

Library Blog

The library is now maintaining a blog on our website as a way of sharing news and events with the campus.

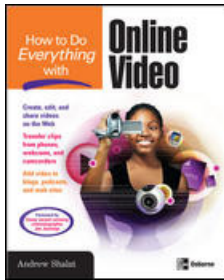
Information posted here may include details about upcoming exhibits, changes to regular operating hours, or featured library collections and research databases.

Go ahead and leave a comment or subscribe to our blog to get all the updates.



Giovanni Agnoloni

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Google Book Search

When searching for library books in The CAT, you will notice an increasing number of titles where an image of the book's cover appears in the search results.

For these items, in addition to the table of contents, you can also preview a limited number of pages thanks to Google's Book Search.

This preview option makes it possible to conduct a keyword search within an entire book to quickly locate specific pages of interest. For books not protected by copyright, such as government documents or materials in the public domain, the entire book may be available for viewing and/or download.

For Faculty

Library Instruction: Contact Tom Reinsfelder (tlr15, ext. 6041) or Lisa White (acw3, ext. 6044) to arrange library or research instruction for classes. Please remember that the content, length of time, and place of instruction can be designed to best suit specific course needs.

Course Reserves: Contact Peggy Angelovich, mka11, ext. 6182, to place articles and books on print or electronic course reserve. Please provide complete bibliographic citation for materials and follow copyright guidelines.

New Staff Member

Please welcome our new Library Assistant, Danuta Miaskiewicz. Previously Danuta has worked as a Library Technician at the University of Maryland at Hagerstown and at the Learning Resource Center at the National Emergency Training Center in Emmitsburg. She has also worked for the Adams County Library system.

Danuta studied chemistry at Warsaw University and is fluent in Polish and Russian. Stop by the library to introduce yourself to Danuta and welcome her to our campus.

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Need help? Just ASK!

Library Workshops: What's Available? How Do I Find It?

Spring 2009

Learn about the PSU library system and how to locate books and articles on all topics. Discover which resources can save you time and lead to better information.

Each session will cover library basics and we will answer your questions.
Dates are listed below (other times available by appt.)

PAWS sessions are in **bold**

January 2009

Intro. to the PSU Library system..... Wednesday 1/14 3 pm
Intro. to the PSU Library system..... Wednesday 1/21 7 pm
All About Interlibrary LoanMonday 1/26 3 pm

February 2009

Practice Citing Sources – APA & MLA Style..... Monday 2/9 3 pm
Intro. to the PSU Library system..... Wednesday 2/18 7 pm

March 2009

Intro. to the PSU Library system..... Wednesday 3/4 7pm
Intro. to the PSU Library system..... Thursday 3/5 2pm
Accessing & Using Research Databases.....Wednesday 3/18 3 pm

April 2009

Evaluating Information, on the Web & in Print.....Monday 4/6 3pm
Intro. to the PSU Library system..... Wednesday,4/8 2 pm
Intro. to the PSU Library system..... Thursday, 4/16 3 pm

(other times available by appointment)