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SUMMER LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Several building changes took place in (as well as under and around!) the Library over the summer. When the remodeled entryway opens, visitors will notice the new Circulation Desk as they enter. The eye-catching circular desk is the home for book check-out services and accommodates the Maverick Textbook Collection, reserve, and interlibrary loan items.

To provide additional study spaces on the first floor, many lesserused print journals were moved to storage for next day delivery, the periodical area has been rearranged, and new carpeting was installed. Additional journal shifting will take place throughout the fall semester but the journals continue to be available for use. Funding for this project was provided from the Library Services budget and staff time.

Work continues on the pedestrian connection that will link the lower level of Memorial Library to Centennial Student Union. This project also creates a small amphitheater on the west side of the passage. Excavation for project began in mid-May 2013 and construction is scheduled to continue through October. Funding for this project is part of President Davenport's Big Ideas Campaign and meets ADA requirements for building access. Leo A. Daly of Minneapolis is the architect and design firm for the project and Brennan Companies of Mankato is the primary construction contractor.



Natural daylight floods the underground pedestrian connection.

Using Library Videos In Your Courses

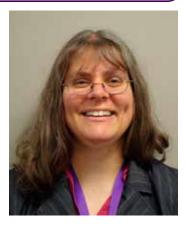
Remember to book films for in-class showings in advance to ensure availability the week you plan to use them. Videos can also be placed on reserve for in-library viewing by students (one week notice, please). All video titles not booked or reserved can be checked out for one week by library users or sent out on interlibrary loan. The online video request form can be found at http://lib.mnsu.edu/services/videorequests.

Thirteen new films from the Media Education Foundation are now available in both streaming video and DVD formats. To access online videos, click on the "Access This Streaming Video" link in the corresponding library catalog record. Examples of video titles available from the Media Education Foundation include Killing Us Softly 4 and Dreamworlds 3. In addition to individual online videos, the Library also subscribes to five streaming video collections: Ethnographic Videos Online, Dance in Video, Theatre in Video, Counseling and Therapy in Video, and The Stanley Milgram Films on Social Psychology. All five video collections can be accessed and searched from within the library catalog. With the exception of The Stanley Milgram Films on Psychology, the video collections can also be accessed and searched from within their individual databases.

For questions or additional information contact Barb Bergman, Media Services Librarian, at 507-389-5945 or the Educational Resource Center at 507-389-5944.

DIGITAL INITIATIVES LIBRARIAN HEIDI SOUTHWORTH

Memorial Library welcomes Heidi Southworth as the new Digital Initiatives Librarian. Heidi joins the team that provides leadership and direction for the planning, development, implementation, growth and maintenance of a program to serve the digital repository needs of the Library and the University. Heidi previously worked at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls as the Cataloging and Metadata Librarian and was the project leader of the University's institutional repository, MINDS@UW-River Falls. She received the MLIS degree from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and a Master of Arts degree in history from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Her undergraduate degree in history is from Minnesota State University, Mankato – although her diploma reads Mankato State University! Heidi's research interests include institutional repositories, digital collections, and military history, particularly the American Civil War. When she is not on campus, you can find her in her garden pulling weeds, on the lake fishing, or just spending time with family and friends in the area. She and her husband love Minnesota State Mankato hockey and cannot wait for the season to start!



DATABASE SPOTLIGHT: U.S. Income Portfolios and U.S. Tax Overview

U.S. Income Portfolios and U.S. Tax Overview are two subsets within the extensive BNA Tax and Accounting Center database. INSIDER INFORMATION: Despite instructions to the contrary, there is no need to enter an email address to access this resource. Simply press the "skip" button when prompted. To learn how to use the resource, select the "Getting Started" link on the top black menu bar and choose from a variety of options.

The U.S. Income Portfolios subset is organized by topics, such as Compensation Planning, Income Tax Accounting and Real Estate. Under the U.S. Tax Overview link, researchers will find the Structure of the Federal Tax System of the United States document, which provides an overview of the numerous component parts of the U.S. federal tax system.

Please note that Minnesota State University, Mankato students, faculty and staff have access only to the blue hyperlinked items within the database. Most of the accessible information is located under the Federal tab, and includes tax forms, practice tools, source documents, news, commentary and more. Researchers can use the Search box located in the blue header to search the accessible content within the resource. To search for a specific federal source document, case or portfolio by subject, select the "Go To" link located below the search box. The "BNA Insights" section includes in-depth articles and videos from practitioners that provide insight into tax and accounting developments. Use the "My Folders" button on the menu bar to retrieve saved searches, charts and documents. Folders are part of a user's personal profile and allow researchers to organize, access and edit their saved information at any time.

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