



## First Floor Library Construction Updates

Library Services is adding a new collaboration space to the first floor of Memorial Library! Coming in March, we'll offer four new student group study rooms on the first floor of the library, with seating for up to six people per room. Library Services will also provide six open group study booths available on a first-come first-served basis. In addition, new MavPrint and height-adjustable Scanning Workstations will be added near the Memorial Library first floor Copy Shop.



An artist's rendering of the new student study spaces coming soon to the 1st floor of Memorial Library.

## 2020 Authors Reception Minnesota State University, Mankato

Save the date! The 2020 Minnesota State Mankato Authors Reception will be held on April 9, 2020 from 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. in the Marilyn J. Lass Center for Minnesota Studies, 2nd floor of Memorial Library. This event honors faculty and staff authors who have written and/or edited books with publication dates between March 2018 and March 2020. The current list is available at <https://library.mnsu.edu/archives/collections/university-archives/msu-authors/2020-msu-authors-reception/>.

If you are a current faculty or staff member who has published and/or edited a book during this time period and you are not on this list, please contact the University Archives at 507-389-1029 or [archives@mnsu.edu](mailto:archives@mnsu.edu) so that we can add you to our list of honorees.

## Minnesota's Upcoming Caucus and Presidential Nomination Primary

This year Minnesota will hold both a Caucus, on Tuesday, February 25 and a Presidential Nominating Primary on Tuesday, March 3. To help students and the campus get ready for these upcoming activities Minnesota State Mankato's Library Services, the Civic Engagement student organization, and the League of Women Voters of St. Peter hosted three information tables in the Centennial Student Union on Monday, February 3 and Wednesday, February 5, 2020.

To find an extended listing of voting and election information visit Library Services' information guide at <https://libguides.mnsu.edu/voting/election2020>. Information is also available on the Memorial Library's 1st floor bulletin board. To find your polling place, learn how to vote early in person or early by mail visit [mnvotes.org](http://mnvotes.org). And election information can also be found at [Vote411.org](http://Vote411.org), a national League of Women Voters site, which links users up to their home state election information.

## Create Links to Online Articles for Students On- or Off-Campus

Did you know librarians use database statistics to help inform decisions about which subscriptions we continue to provide? We also share statistics with accrediting bodies to demonstrate evidence of curricular success. Instead of posting a PDF directly into D2L Brightspace, create links to online content. To add article access to a D2L page, follow these four simple steps to create active links that will work for students both on- and off-campus.

- 1) Locate the Permalink (or "persistent link") to the article. For example, <https://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&AN=136630638> (this article is on the Dash Diet from the database Academic Search Premier).
- 2) Place that link in the upper text box area on this page, <https://libguides.mnsu.edu/c.php?g=932189&p=6719075> and click "Convert."
- 3) The converted link adds the EZ Proxy information to the beginning of the link. Example: <http://ezproxy.mnsu.edu/login?url=https://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=aph&AN=136630638>
- 4) The Library's EZ Proxy server will automatically recognize this link and provide the article. Off-campus students will be prompted to log in using their StarID and password.

If you have questions about creating links to library content, ask a librarian!

<https://libguides.mnsu.edu/ask>.

## Database Spotlight: My IBISWorld and Procurement Research Reports

My IBISWorld provides in-depth analysis for a number of U.S. and international industries. Reports provide key statistics, market characteristics, segmentation, industry conditions, industry performance, key competitors, key factors, and industry outlook. The new platform includes features such as bookmarking, a variety of download options, interactive charts, and a navigation pane to quickly access different portions of a report.

A companion resource to My IBISWorld is Procurement Research Reports. This resource provides data and analyses on products and services. Each report discusses pricing dynamics, product characteristics, supplier benchmarking, supply chain risks, negotiation questions and tactics, and more. Both of these resources can be accessed via the Library Services homepage ([library.mnsu.edu/](http://library.mnsu.edu/)) by clicking on the yellow tab "Databases A-Z" located below the MavScholar search box.

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