American History in Video

American History in Video by Alexander Street Press brings historical events to life in your classroom or on your students’ computers. With video content from government and commercial newsreel collections and “The History Channel”, you can help students “be there” to grasp the significance of historical events. Each video is accompanied by a side-by-side searchable transcript. You can create playlists to assign to students. Students can create playlists to share with the class. You can also view playlists created by others. Find “American History in Video” under “History and Social Science” in “Databases by Subject” or by name in “Databases by Title”.

Access Science

Access Science is McGraw-Hill’s Encyclopedia of Science and Technology Online. It contains fully searchable scientific articles, terms, images, videos, animations as well as biographies of scientists. Find this exciting new science database under “Science and Technology” under “Databases by Subject” or by name in “Databases by Title”.

Essay and General Literature Index—Current and Retrospective

Wilson’s Essay and General Literature indexes articles and essays that are hidden in many anthologies or periodicals. Look up an author or an work and find essays listed in the results screen. From there, click on “Search DMCnet” to see if we own the title in question. This will open up the library’s print texts to your students that have resources for assignments that are not easily found otherwise. Find under “English” in “Databases by Subject” or by name in “Databases by Title”.

Many databases have tools to help you share resources with students or on your website

- Save articles in folders
- Create workspaces
- Create playlists

For more information on these or any of the library resources, and the tools they offer faculty for managing resources on the web, please call the Reference Department, or email us at refdesk@delmar.edu

Sally Bickley, Head of Reference  x1931
Alan Berecka, Reference Librarian  x1933
Open Library Instruction Sessions

The William F. White, Jr. Library will be hosting Open Library Instruction sessions for students and faculty who would like to learn how to efficiently and effectively utilize the library’s resources.

Programs will be held during the month of September on Thursday afternoons at 2:30 p.m. in Library Room 224. The dates and subjects of the sessions are as follows:

- **Thursday, September 3, 2:30**—It’s not Hide and Seek!: Finding things in the Library
- **Thursday, September 10, 2:30**—Reliable Internet Sources
- **Thursday, September 17, 2:30**—The Best Resources for Literary Research
- **Thursday, September 24, 2:30**—Ebsco: There’s more than you think

Students and faculty are welcome to any of these open library sessions to improve their search skills and strategies. It’s hard enough to find what you want, and these sessions will make it easier.

Customized Library Instruction for Your Classes

Call the Reference Desk to schedule a customized Library Instruction session for your classes. Please request classes a week in advance, so we can prepare something that will benefit your students.

Studies have shown that the more students utilize librarians and library resources, the less helpful they find Google and Yahoo search engines.

Alan Berecka, Lisa Muilenberg, and Sally Bickley will teach your students the tools needed for research in today’s world and the skills to use them.

For East Campus, call 361-698-1311, or email refdesk@delmar.edu. For West Campus, call 361-698-1877, or email lmuilenb1@delmar.edu.

Reference Staff to Serve You

The Reference Staff at the White Library has changed significantly since the retirement of Noe Guerra and David Martin in Fall 2008.

Sally Bickley joined the Reference Department as Head of Reference. She comes from TAMUCC, where she served as Reference Coordinator since 2003, and as librarian and adjunct since 2000.

She joins Alan Berecka, who has worked at the White Reference Desk since 1998. Alan and Reference Assistant Stacy Butler provide continuity of service with their years of experience at Del Mar.

Jennifer Jimenez is a Del Mar alumna who is now working as a Reference Assistant. Jennifer served as a peer tutor in the past.

Also new to Del Mar as a Reference Assistant is Ruth Dunn, who previously worked at the Corpus Christi Public Libraries.

Please come by and meet our new staff members and greet those you already know. Making the library work for you is our goal.