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### Course reserve materials can now be submitted online



To provide five-star customer service and to meet the needs of the UF faculty, staff and students, both oncampus and at a distance, is the goal of the libraries and the course reserves staff. Electronic course reserves can be easily accessed 24/7 to provide students the opportunity to view required class readings at their convenience. Physical items, such as multimedia, books or personal materials, may be placed on reserve at any library on the main campus.

During the fall 2006 semester the course reserves department has seen an increase in the number of items placed on reserve. Currently 3,650 items have been placed on reserve by faculty. This growth is anticipated to continue as more faculty become aware of this free and convenient service that is offered by the libraries.

To manage these requests and to ensure the highest quality of service with fast turn-around time for items to be placed on reserve, a new online form has been developed for submission of materials. This new form provides an added convenience for faculty because requests can be submitted from a faculty member's office, articles can be uploaded within the form and requests are tracked with a confirmation number.

## Three easy steps to filling out the online form:

1. Go to the online form at http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/ereserves and log in using your Gator1 ID and password

- 2. Fill out the appropriate form
  - If you have a book, click on "Book" and fill out the citation information. Do the same if you have a "journal" or "multimedia" item.
  - If you have a personal item, a call number will be automatically generated.
  - Quick Tip: copy & paste the citation from your syllabus as it will save you time.
  - A full citation and date needed are required.
  - If you need to fill out the copyright form you may include it in the online form or fax it to us at 392-6540.
- 3. Once the form is completed, hit the "submit" button. A confirmation number will be given. Please print for your records and/or save the e-mail for future reference if you call us during the semester. Include this confirmation number on any personal items brought to the library circulation desk for reserves processing.

*Michelle Foss Head, Interlibrary Loan and Electronic Reserves* 

## WHY USE

#### course reserves?

- Reserves staff verifies that assigned readings are in compliance with Fair Use and U.S. Copyright law; the libraries will pay any copyright fees.
- 2. Links to library-licensed journal articles can easily be included.
- 3. You can link your WebCT course page to your library course reserves list.

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## A year in transition for the libraries

Significant changes in facilities, administration and focus are occurring or scheduled for this year at the University of Florida Libraries. The renovated and expanded Library West opened its doors to the university community during Summer B, following by several months the move into the newly remodeled Lawton Chiles Legal Information Center. Dale Canelas, director of university libraries, will retire in January 2007 and Faith Meakin, director of the Health Science Center Library, will retire in March 2007. A search committee for a new dean of libraries, chaired by Dr. Joseph Glover, is in place and information on the search is available at http://www. aa.ufl.edu/search\_committees/ Dean Library/index.htm.

Finally, a provost's committee chaired by Dr. Will Harrison is examining "The Future of the Library." Meeting schedules, minutes and background documents are available at http://www.aa.ufl.edu/search\_ committees/futureofthelibrary/. Both committees welcome input into their work.

> Carol Ritzen Kem Department of Collection Management



# Now is the opportune time to donate to the libraries

#### To make a gift to the libraries online: https://www.uff.ufl.edu/OnlineGiving/ Libraries.asp

Books may be donated to the Gifts & Exchange Unit. Call (352) 392-0355 or e-mail davalle@uflib.ufl.edu.

# The NEW Research Gateway

Faculty may have noticed the Research Gateway link and search boxes at the top left of the Smathers Libraries' homepage. A test version was released during the summer and the beta tag has now been removed. Librarians have begun developing classes that will teach patrons how to use the Research Gateway, and everyone is invited to explore it on their own as well. On-screen notes have been added and fuller explanations can be found through Get More Information on the homepage or through Help. The tool is indeed a gateway to important resources and new ways to find and use them.

When a term is entered in the search box on the homepage, the default search retrieves CrossSearch results for articles, books, etc. simultaneously from the following list of databases: Academic Search Premier, InfoTrac OneFile, OmniFile Full Text Mega, ProQuest National Newspapers, UF Libraries Catalog and Google Scholar as a "contains" search (truncation should be indicated with a ?). Several other options are available through drop down menus, including Find Database by Title which offers a quick and easy path to a favorite database.

Clicking on the words Research Gateway will take you into the portal where you will see tabs leading to the five options: QuickSearch, Find Database, Find Journal, CrossSearch and My Space. It is advantageous for users to login here to get the most benefit, especially in the My Space area (not to be confused with the popular myspace.com online community).

Library users frequently ask which databases are most helpful for researching a particular subject area, and UF librarians who specialize in that area are well-prepared to answer their questions. Library subject specialists have applied their knowledge and experience to select small groups of those databases most productive for over 50 named subject areas and also for categories of usage within each subject. These selections are found in the Research Gateway under Find Database and By Subject. The drop down menu on the left side of the screen allows users to choose a subject area of interest. Choosing any subject reveals a short list of subcategories of databases. On displaying a database list users may choose to link directly into one of the recommended databases and continue their research, or (for those databases marked with a magnifying glass) a search can be done from the Research Gateway itself.

The same carefully-chosen subject groupings also appear in the federated search function called CrossSearch. If the CrossSearch tab is chosen, then one of the options for identifying databases to search is Subject, and these same subjects and groups of databases support choices for searching multiple databases simultaneously. Not all databases permit this kind of use, and the ones which do are listed in CrossSearch with a check box to their left. It is often true that searching inside a particular database offers additional ways to search that cannot be offered as part of the CrossSearch simultaneous search, and with experience we are determining more about specific advantages and limits as they pertain to different subject areas and databases.

Suggestions are welcomed as the implementation of the Research Gateway continues. Faculty are invited to take advantage of opportunities to ask questions or take classes to become a more skilled user of this important new tool. The significant cost of today's journals and databases argues strongly for the most effective means possible to connect UF faculty and students to information sources acquired to support research, and the Research Gateway is an important tool to that end.

> Jimmie Lundgren, Science & Social Sciences Cataloging Unit Head



# **SPOTLIGHT on faculty/librarian collaboration**

#### Guerry McClellan, Carol McAuliffe, Sara Russell Gonzalez and Hesham Monsef

he year is 1953. Century Tower is L being built to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the university and will be dedicated to UF students killed in World Wars I and II. A young Guerry McClellan, a Gainesville native, is at the building site to observe the construction. Pilings for the tower are being driven into the ground to support the foundation. Unfortunately, placing the last one is turning out to be rather problematic. The machinery pounding the 50 foot high piling is having trouble forcing the shank of steel into the correct location. The piling clangs repeatedly into the ground, making hardly a dent. Finally, as the piling is being hammered into the soil yet again, a thunderous crack is heard and the piling is swallowed whole by the earth! The workers have unknowingly discovered a karstic void, a large empty pocket in the earth caused by the dissolution of the bedrock over time. In order to finish the foundation and build the Tower itself, the engineers and workers filled the void with numerous pilings reportedly so close together "a dime could not be fitted between them". It was an exciting incident in the life of young McClellan and may have contributed to his lifelong passion for geology.

After earning his bachelor's and master's degrees from UF while working



Guerry McClellan, Carol McAuliffe and Sara Russell Gonzalez work collaboratively to provide McClellan's students with the tools they need to conduct research. Not shown: Hesham Monsef.

part time at the Education Library shelving books and at the chemistry stock room at Leigh Hall, he left town for 25 years to complete his Ph.D. at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, perform a post-doc in France, travel to 50 countries and return to his home town where he is now a full professor with the Department of Geological Sciences here at the University of Florida. Realizing the importance of making library resources available to himself and his students, he has worked closely with the UF Libraries for decades. For many years, he brought his Geology of Florida (GLY4155) students to the Map and Imagery Library to meet with Dr. Helen Jane Armstrong. Dr. Armstrong would prepare a presentation specifically for his class, including setting out maps and photographs of the state for the students to view and reviewing the specific resources available in the Map and Imagery Library.

With the recent retirement of Armstrong, and the significant increase in the number and types of library resources available to geology students over the last five to seven years, McClellan has revised and expanded his interactions with the library. Once a semester, his GLY4155 students meet with three members of the library faculty: Carol McAuliffe, head of the Map and Imagery Library, Dr. Hesham Monsef, the spatial and numeric data librarian and Dr. Sara Russell Gonzalez, the physical sciences librarian, who specializes in geology, astronomy and physics. Each librarian brings a special set of skills and knowledge to the table when working with McClellan and his students.

Located on the first level of the Marston Science Library, the Map Library holds maps, atlases, aerial photographs, books and journals, and features several new and exciting electronic resources, including an Internet Web site that displays thousands of aerial photographs of Florida. Monsef is working with the document department's team to construct a new Internet web site that displays hundreds of international and national satellite images via zoomable JPEG technology. Remote sensing, a specialty of Monsef's, is a method of gathering information about an object without actually being in direct contact with the object. Another resource that GLY4155 students find essential for their research are journals and books pertaining to geology. In addition to introducing the students to the physical collections held in the Marston Library stacks, and the various relevant electronic journals and databases, such as GeoRef and Web of Science, Gonzalez coordinates the visits of McClellan and his students so that the students are exposed to the information that can be provided by all three librarians.

The major project for GLY4155 is an assignment where each student selects a Florida county and gathers specific information about its geology. McClellan encourages his students to make use of computer technologies that they may use in their future, and that will allow them to take advantage of digital media, including color photographs and satellite images, audio and video clips, and 3D GIS modeling. He has seen an increase in the quality of the projects as his students have access to richer and broader information via the libraries.

In addition to geology, there are numerous other disciplines that can benefit from use of the wide variety of information resources available at the Marston Science Library, including geomatics, anthropology, geography, forestry, as well as building construction and art & art history (which can also find resources at the Art & Architecture Library). Faculty needing help with library resources related to courses, can contact their librarian or go to http://www.uflib. ufl.edu/ps/faculty.

Cathleen Martyniak Chair, Preservation Department



# **Update on the Smathers Libraries materials budget**

Uring the last fiscal year, the Smathers Libraries continued efforts to increase purchases for the collections that support student and faculty research. For the current fiscal year our efforts begin with optimism that we shall again meet user demands for essential resources. In the 2005/2006 academic year, the Smathers Libraries spent \$7,853,298 on database access and collections for UF. These expenditures reflected an addition of about \$125,000 above the expenditure for the previous year (\$7,727,990); however, through effective library initiatives there were additional increases in databases and materials acquisitions. Endowment spending improved to almost \$70,000. Libraries Director Dale Canelas earmarked \$100,000 from carry forward funds to augment book purchases, which had decreased over recent years due to escalation in the cost of journals. She also removed all possible non-acquisition costs (memberships, shelf-ready processing for books, and cataloging activities) from the materials budget, which freed up funds to meet both an inflation-caused shortfall

in serials as well as to purchase database access, books and other materials. The combined effect of these initiatives enabled the libraries to acquire more than \$500,000 in additional resources compared to the previous year.

The university administration's decision to add \$750,000 to the base library budget for fiscal 2006/2007 has mitigated the effect of the past four years of inflation on our serials acquisitions. With our ongoing operating budget now at \$7,327,000 plus approximately \$850,000 from Sponsored Research (the actual amount fluctuates dependent on UF's success rate in grant proposals), our budget is almost \$8.2 million. The director's decision to allocate some additional one-time funds (\$500,000) from carry forward funds will also allow the libraries to add several longsought-after resources (Black Studies Center database, Inspec backfiles, Empire Online database) as well as individual monographs, monographic sets, and other one-time libraries resources for the current fiscal year.

Continuing support from the general UF budget for the ever-increasing cost of database access and other academic resources will always be a critical part of accomplishing our mission, but we must also expand the support we receive from other sources. Like all parts of the Gator Nation, the libraries rely on donated funds as essential support for the services we provide to the UF community. We continue our efforts to increase our endowments, which currently stand at somewhat over nine million dollars. With the appointment of a new development officer (Ms. Lane Jimison) for the libraries and a renewed focus on expanding resource endowments through donation opportunities from the libraries' friends and supporters, the libraries will continue to strengthen their efforts to support the university's academic programs

> John Ingram, Deputy Director and Director for Collections



### "100 Years of University of Florida Sports" exhibit in Special Collections

Did you know that the Gators' first conference championship was in boxing in 1930, that the swim teams have won more SEC titles (49) than the rest of the conference combined, or that the Florida women's teams have won sixteen national championships and the men's only nine? These are just a few of the



fun Gator sports facts that are highlighted in "100 Years of University of Florida Sports," a display that will run through December 15 in the Special Collections exhibit area on the second floor of Smathers Library. The exhibit features vintage photographs, posters and sports memorabilia from the University Archives.

The University Athletic Association is commemorating 100 years of Florida football this fall. But there is more to University of Florida sports than football. In addition to the headlinegrabbing football and basketball teams, the exhibit highlights the success of men's golf and women's tennis, Gator Olympians, and our twenty-five national championship teams.

Sports memorabilia includes football programs, pennants, a football trivia game, and two 1984 commemorative Coke bottles on loan from Special Collections staffer, Mil Willis. Cheerleaders and fans also make an appearance along with several of the Gator sports venues. The latter include photographs of Florida Field and Florida Gym when they were being constructed as well as the university's first athletic site, Fleming Field.

The largest exhibit case is devoted to our national champions. There have been 25 national champion teams at UF beginning with the 1968 men's golf team and ending with this year's unanticipated victory at the NCAA basketball championship. In between, the Gators have garnered titles in eleven sports including four NCAA titles in men's golf and four in women's outdoor tennis. Go Gators!

> Carl Van Ness University Archivist & University of Florida Historian



## **UF librarians volunteer in New Orleans**

by Iona Malanchuk Head, Education Library & Priscilla Williams, Head, Authorities and Metadata Quality Unit

UF librarians Iona and Peter Malanchuk, Betsy Simpson and Priscilla Williams were among 800 unflinching and energetic volunteers who spread out across the Katrina-devastated school, academic and public libraries of New Orleans last June. They participated for a full day in the American Library Association's (ALA) "Librarians Build Communities" campaign at their annual conference on June 22-28, 2006. ALA calculated that three-and-a-half years of work was accomplished in just a little over two days by the determination and resourcefulness of the library volunteers.

In October, 2005 ALA announced its plan to honor their commitment to hold the 2006 annual conference in New Orleans despite the aftermath of hurricane Katrina. They sent a group into the city to examine conditions and calculate the city's ability to accommodate the large professional organization. The group's report resulted in ALA's decision to not only keep the conference in New Orleans but also to seize the opportunity to use their knowledge to assist in the clean-up



Iona and Peter Malanchuk



Betsy Simpson and Priscilla Williams

and reorganization of the city's devastated libraries.

The librarians knew they could handle the logistics of quickly curating books, journals, CD's and software. It was obvious that thousands of boxes of donated materials needed to be examined and rapidly sorted due to the less than prime conditions of the storage areas.

Upon arriving at the assembly point in the Morial Convention Center, volunteers were given assignments, along with "Libraries Build Communities" t-shirts, water and box lunches donated by the Heavenly Ham Co. Buses were lined up to take the groups of volunteers to their assigned locations at over 20 sites throughout the city. This scene in the Morial Convention Center was repeated twice in the early morning of Friday, June 23 and again on Tuesday, June 27. The bus ride was an eye-opener for the volunteers. The librarians rode into areas of total devastation and abandonment. It was odd on the bright and sunny summer mornings to see no movement on those particular streets of New Orleans – no cars or people, no sign of life. Roof after roof was still blown wide-open, twisted metal signs were not repaired or cleared away, smashed cars, bicycles, toys, furniture, clothing and all sorts of items had been carried far and wide by the rushing water and either stacked in a hodge-podge manner or left alone. A quiet hush took over the buses as they looked at the horror of massive destruction and felt the overwhelming pain of loss.

Betsy Simpson and Priscilla Williams were among a group assigned to St. Mary's Academy. The campus had been completely destroyed in the hurricane. Working side by side with librarians from around the country they were asked to help prepare space designated for the library in a newly acquired building, an old convent that had been vacated two



years earlier. Inside the old, neglected convent there were signs of water leakage from the floor above. The team proceeded to prepare the building to house a combined middle and high school library. They mopped up the water, carried furniture, boxes of books and supplies to the second floor and into the adjoining rooms. In addition, they sorted hundreds of materials into appropriate grade levels and removed inappropriate titles.

Across town in the Algiers branch of the New Orleans Public Library Iona and Peter Malanchuk were assigned to a library that had sustained structural damage to the roof, walls and floors. Mountains of dilapidated boxes of donated books were piled nearly to the ceiling throughout the main floor reading room and circulation areas. Working in 98 degree heat with poor air quality, they sorted, labeled, filled and lifted over 275 cartons of books which were loaded, without the use of a dolly or ramp, onto a semi-trailer truck.

Sitting outside on cardboard boxes eating the box lunches, the volunteers were approached by hesitant but curious people from the neighborhood. Mothers with children and elderly patrons approached hesitatingly to inquire about the reopening of their community branch library that they missed so much.

The librarians assigned to Algiers were given an opportunity to be of help to one more person at the end of the day: their bus driver. The word quietly passed among them that the gentleman driving the bus had lost his home and all of his possessions and he and his family were struggling to start over again. One librarian took off her hat and passed it around so that upon arrival at the convention center, two hundred dollars was handed to the shocked and teary-eyed driver who was truly overwhelmed by the generosity of the group of strangers.

#### LeiLani Freund named chair of humanities and social sciences services

LeiLani Freund is the new chair of the humanities and social sciences services department, which encompasses reference services in Library West and the branch libraries. A tenured associate university librarian, she has held several positions at Smathers Libraries since arriving at UF in 1988 as the interlibrary loan librarian. In



1995, she became the humanities and social sciences department's electronic resources coordinator and later served as the head of the department's technology services unit. Most recently, in 2005 she served as the acting co-chair for the department.

Much of Freund's work has been in the area of information technologies in the libraries. Following technology trends and focusing them on user-based operations, she has been integral in the improved delivery of interlibrary loan, reference, electronic resources, and public computing services. She received her master's of library and information studies at the University of California, Berkeley and a bachelor's degree in anthropology from San Francisco State University.

> Marilyn Ochoa Humanities and Social Sciences Reference Librarian



# Haiyun Cao appointed digital projects metadata librarian

Haiyun Cao is the new digital projects metadata librarian at the George A. Smathers Libraries in the cataloging and metadata department. Haiyun joined the University Libraries faculty on August 7, 2006.

She has a master's degree in library and information science from McGill University, Montreal, Quebec and a master's of



engineering, computer science and engineering from the Harbin Institute of Technology in Harbin, China. At the Harbin Institute Haiyun was a research assistant conducting research on optical character recognition (OCR) for manuscripts. Haiyun's other career-related experience includes work at the Canadian Center for Architecture Library, Montreal, Quebec and the National Gallery of Canada Library, Ottawa, Ontario.

Haiyun will work closely with the Digital Library Center to provide access to digital collections. Her research and career-related work experience will aid her in providing enhanced access to these collections to the benefit of users.

> Priscilla Williams Head, Authorities and Metadata Quality Unit



#### Carol McAuliffe promoted to head of Map & Imagery Library

Carol McAuliffe is the new head of the Map & Imagery Library. She is neither new to UF nor the UF Libraries. In 2000, she received her bachelor's degree from UF in wildlife ecology and conservation, with a minor in zoology and geography. She first worked in the UF Libraries as a student assistant in Library West while getting her undergraduate degree.



It was there that she discovered her love of reference work and the libraries. Upon graduation, she pursued her master's degree in library science from the Florida State University. During this time, she worked at the Map & Imagery Library and learned a great deal from the former head, Dr. HelenJane Armstrong, who recently retired in late December 2005.

As the new map librarian, McAuliffe concentrates on providing quality customer service through reference services, outreach and instruction. She has worked to integrate library instruction into course curriculum, making every class visit center around what the students are learning in class. She meets with researchers from multiple departments to ensure the map collection meets their research needs. She works in collaboration with the Digital Library Center to digitize the collection, especially in the special interest areas of Florida, Latin America, and Africa. As part of the spatial information services unit, the Map & Imagery Library also has computers available with specialized software for GIS applications. Her research interests include user services as they relate to Map & Imagery Library patrons, the use of new technologies to better serve the community, and how metadata affects how the user accesses information.

> Kathryn Kennedy Engineering Outreach Librarian



#### **Starbucks opens in Library West**

Two months after Library West opened, the Starbucks coffee shop located on the first floor is open for business. Every detail of the space was planned and coordinated by the Starbucks Corporation, and required completely changing the interior space in which it is located. This construction process continued for weeks after the building itself was in full use, and on October 23, students began lining up before 8:00 a.m. to be the first Starbucks customers in the new building. The shop sells the full line of Starbucks coffee drinks, and customers find the same kind of décor and merchandise they have come to expect in any Starbucks. Judging by the large number of people with the characteristic green and white logo cups in hand, the business is off to a great start. *Bill Covey, Interim Director for Support Services* 

#### Lane Jimison welcomed as new director of development

Lane Jimison joined the UF Libraries as the director of development in September. She brings 18 years experience in



resource development as the executive director of the Florida 4-H Foundation Inc. Located on the UF campus, the 4-H Foundation is a four million dollar foundation providing private support for the needs of the 4-H Youth Development Program.

As the executive director of the 4-H Foundation, Lane is familiar with the fundraising process at UF. She has experience raising funds and allocating them appropriately. While with 4-H, Lane wrote and received both private and government grants to enhance the program. She is also a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) and member of the University of Florida Foundation development team. She has a bachelor's degree in English from Kansas State University.

Lane believes that managing a fundraising program is "a gentle exercise in helping people work together productively." Her objective is to bring potential donors together with library officials to make the UF Libraries the best they can be. With the increased emphasis on bringing the University of Florida into the top 10 universities nationwide, it is likewise imperative that the UF Libraries be among the top university library systems.

Her first order of business is to visit every member of the Libraries' Leadership Board and show how vital they are to the fund-raising process. Lane expects to work with the Leadership Board in order to formalize their work processes. In the near future she intends to complete a stewardship plan and develop a boilerplate proposal with variables for donations. Her overall goal is to find a million dollar donor.

Lane says she is happy to be at the libraries and is very enthusiastic about the UF Libraries system and its future. She is impressed with the dedication and professionalism of the staff and faculty working here, and by the renovated Library West facility. She is interested in hearing any ideas for fund-raising, and welcomes all e-mails (ljimison@ufl.edu) or calls (273-2505).

> Robert Parker Binding Unit Head Preservation Department



### Honors Program Course Teaches Research Skills to Science Students

Sara Russell Gonzalez, physical sciences librarian at Marston Science Library, and Margeaux Johnson, who also works at Marston, are teaching a class this fall called *Research Skills for Science Students* (IDH3931). This class is tailor made for the Honors Program, covering such topics as scientific writing, using library resources, public communication skills, research ethics, and more. There are eighteen students in the class, ranging in majors from microbiology to engineering. The students are mostly freshmen with a couple of sophomores and one junior.

When asked why she wants to offer the course, Gonzalez said, "When I first started doing research in science, what I found was that I had the academic knowledge, but lacked the research skills. So I wanted to offer a course for undergraduates planning to do research that would cover the necessary research skills that they need to be aware of in order to be successful scientists." Gonzalez also mentioned that there are two goals for this class: (1) she wants to expose students to current research ideas that are going on at UF, and (2) highlight undergraduate research opportunities both here at UF and elsewhere.

Johnson, Gonzalez's teaching assistant, said, "We are also highlighting unique collections within the UF Libraries' with visits to the Herbarium, Division of Plant Industry, Map & Imagery Library and the Digital Library Center. Furthermore, by inviting UF researchers to share their research experiences, students are gaining firsthand knowledge on how to start their undergraduate research career. I think this is a wonderful opportunity."

For more information, please contact Sara Russell Gonzalez (sargonz@uflib.ufl.edu) or Margeaux Johnson (marjohn@uflib.ufl.edu).

Kathryn Kennedy Engineering Outreach Librarian





Students from the Honors Program course *Research Skills for Science Students*, taught by Sara Russell Gonzalez and Margeaux Johnson, pose outside of Marston Science Library.

## New services in the new building

Library West has now been open for over three months. But there is so much more to the new building than just a new building! New services abound in the huge 139,000 square foot library. Below are a few new services available at the circulation desk:

Laptop check-out: There are 20 laptops available for checkout. Students, staff and faculty can check out a laptop using their Gator 1 Card for two hours, access the Internet via a wireless connection using their Gatorlink account, and use basic office applications such as MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Access. In fact, these laptops are loaded with the same software capabilities as the library desktop computers. Students can even print from them.

**Group study rooms:** There are 14 group study rooms available for check-out that provide seats for two to 12 people. To check out these rooms for two hours, more than one person must be studying in them and both must appear at the circulation desk to obtain the key. These rooms are available for check-out to faculty, staff and students using a Gator 1 card on a firstcome, first-serve basis. They have become quite popular and there is generally

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someone waiting for a room, so renewal is not offered. To better manage a waiting system, the library has ordered coaster pagers similar to those used at restaurants. This system will be implemented in November 2006, and we anticipate this "GatorWait" system will improve the group study check-out service even more.

Sixth floor access: Our graduate students spend a lot of time here, and we finally have a space dedicated to their use. The sixth floor of Library West is only accessible to currently enrolled graduate students. Temporary access can be granted to these students through checkout of a card that is due by closing. To have their Gator 1 card activated to allow them access to the sixth floor, they will need to sign up at the circulation desk on the second floor to have their information entered into the security system. This process can take up to one business day. Aside from having a dedicated space, there are also 44 lockers available for all-day checkout and three group study rooms available without check-out to our graduate students.

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#### Faculty and graduate student carrels in Library West

One of the most eagerly awaited features of the remodeled Library West is the complement of study carrels installed on the second and fourth floors. These cubicles with lockable doors and bins provide a temporary private sanctuary for the faculty and graduate students who are lucky enough to win the lottery for a year of tenancy. The faculty carrels are slightly larger, with conventional swinging doors.

Knowing that there would be much more demand than we could accommodate, the graduate carrels were designed with sliding doors that maximized the number that would fit in available space. Unfortunately, the tracks which guide the doors proved to be no match for the "enthusiastic" opening and closing they encountered in the campus environment. We are awaiting hardware upgrades which will keep the doors operational and secure, and expect to have them refitted and assigned before the end of November.

> Bill Covey Interim Director for Support Services

#### Library holiday and exam hours:

http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/ps/hours/