

This Week at McQuade (Updates from Lyena, 1/23/22)

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McQuade Library

Hello

Here we are at the beginning of 2022. Things are still wild and unpredictable — but we have a great team of student workers and library staff who will work hard to make sure the MC community keeps teaching and learning through this spring semester. So let's march into this semester together. I will continue to share weekly news and updates through this internal newsletter - let me know if you have updates you'd like all library staff members to know about and I'll include them here.

Please read the 1/7 email regarding updated COVID policies and review the updated <u>Spring 2022 Return to Campus Handbook.</u> Don't forget to upload proof of your boster. Please email a copy of your vaccination card to humanresources@merrimack.edu with the subject line: "Proof of COVID-19 Booster Vaccination".

Face coverings are required in all public campus spaces for the month of January- this includes the library. Please continue to do walk-throughs during your shifts and continue to give students mask reminders as necessary. We have extra masks in Research Center and at Help Desk, so feel free to distribute to those who need them.

Please fill out this roster with your spring semester 2022 work hours. If you have trouble, email Chris Morrell and she can add your hours there. It is important that we have this master roster so we all can refer to it and see who (both library staff members and student workers included) is in the building at all times.

Spring 2022 Access Services student worker schedule is here.

Staffing updates: Allison Lang (our terrific temporary Access Services Assistant) will continue to work daytime hours at the Help Desk to cover for staff medical leaves. CJ Wong will work evening shifts this semester. Kadie Turcotte left the College to pursue another opportunity. We are in the final stages of hiring a Metadata Librarian and plan to have this critical position filled soon. Finally, please extend a warm welcome to CETL Instructional Designer, Sean Wright, who will have an office in the Library (next to Research Center).



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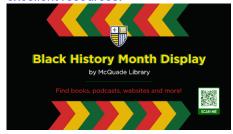
Hello





I hope everyone stayed safe and warm during the weekend's snow storm. We are grateful for MC's facilities team and MC's Police Services crew who helped keep the campus safe. A huge shoutout to our mighty student workers Lily, Leah, and Nate who staffed McQuade on Saturday during the height of the storm.

February is Black History month, so check out McQuade's virtual display. Shoutout to Gabby for compiling these excellent resources.



Please see 1/30 email update- the College will continue a campus-wide face covering policy in all public spaces (including library) until **Sunday, February 6, 2022.**

A quick reminder to track ALL touchpoints/interactions with faculty/students/staff in Zoho. Let me or CJ know if you need a zoho refresher and contact CJ if you have questions about the form. Attached are "Using Zoho" quick Instructions.

This semester we will have biweekly staff meetings (one meeting every two weeks) and host virtual watercoolers the opposite week. We will share status updates during staff meetings, and then socialize/catch up with each other during our optional "watercoolers."

Library Instruction

We've begun to conduct course-integrated spring library workshops. These are all customized workshops that enable MC students to develop their information literacy/research skills. Librarians collaborate with faculty to tailor these sessions to meet a range of learning objectives from basic searching skills to understanding advanced research concepts.

If students ask you about a specific library workshop, or where a workshop is being held, consult our library instruction calendar

Last week librarians conducted **7** workshops. Laura Bishop worked with Gatling's EDU4340 *Children's Literature* students. In tandem with Laura's ERC needs assessment project, these students will be working on an ERC collection development/analysis project. We can't wait to see what materials recommendations these students will make for McQuade's ERC! Lyena collaborated with Michal's WGS4990 *Senior Seminar* students- they will be working on WGS/SOJ research papers and posters. CJ facilitated a HSC5350 *Research Methods* workshop with Prof. Shonkoff and worked with Prof Noori's BIO Phytotechnology students. Frances facilitated 3 *Principles of Marketing* MKT2205 workshops with Prof. Sannella and Prof. Gerace's students.

This week CJ will facilitate **3** workshops- one for Prof. Butler-Mokoro's *Intro to Social Work Research* MSW5002 and Prof. Morton's two sections of EXS2250 *Research Methods*.

Resources Update

Overdrive and Flipster Magazines

With the expansion of Overdrive to nearly **1000** popular magazines, and increasing coverage in databases, we have been able to reduce our Flipster subscription to just 2 titles beginning Feb. 1: *Biblical Archeology Review* and the *New Yorker*. The nearly 1000 Overdrive titles can be browsed at the Overdrive Magazines site (also linked at the top of the Merrimack Library Catalog site) or in the Libby app. Issues can be downloaded for 2 weeks, but not printed. Overdrive magazines are also listed in the Library Catalog, but not yet in our Find Journals/Fulltext Finder. Try it out!

Use Find Journals to locate journals in all our other subscriptions, including Flipster. Note that journals sometimes switch publishers, such as Oxford, SAGE, Wiley, ScienceDirect. Let Frances know if Find Journals is not showing a publication we should have. We are also updating holdings to reflect 2022 periodical renewals and cancellations.

Nursing Reference Center Plus

EBSCOhost has revamped and upgraded the Nursing Reference Center to include more evidence-based procedures plus videos and other research reports. The site also links with the CINAHL nursing databases. Take a look at it's COVID-19 information.

Student Worker Spotlight

Former student worker **Raquel Perez** visited McQuade to show off her MC diploma! Way to go, Raquel! Raquel received her Bachelor's in Psychology through MC's Bachelor's Completion program. She said she truly appreciated *all* the support she received from McQuade staff and enjoyed her experiences working at McQuade.



A CJ and Raquel Selfie!

Have a terrific week. Let me know if you have questions or concerns.

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Hello

I hope you will consider attending some upcoming **Black History Month** events sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Initiatives and Unity House:

- -Tabling in the SAK for National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day Monday, Feb. 7, 11:00-3:00 p.m. Stop by the SAK and get a red ribbon and information.
- -A Dialogue with Funmilola Fagbamila, 2/7, at 5:30pm Flyer Attached
- -A Creative Writing Workshop with Michele Gilliam, 2/9 at 4pm- Flyer Attached

Please make sure to refer to Corg for more events throughout this month and beyond.



Our favorite therapy dogs Loki & Thor will be back at McQuade this Thursday, 2/10, from 12noon-2pm. Be sure to come relax and de-stress with our furry friends.

Library Instruction

There are **8** workshops on the calendar this week. Librarians continue to teach foundational information literacy skills to all first year students through the ENG1050 Introduction to College Writing course. Lyena is working with Prof Hajec's & Prof Hartman's ENG1050 sections this week. Frances is conducting workshops for 2 MGT1100 sections- one with Prof. Viselli & one with Prof. Goudreau; she is looking forward to working with Early College students in Prof Goudreau's section. Frances is also facilitating MKT2205 workshops with Prof Clarke's students.

Lyena also created a video, activity, and lesson for Prof. Brault's CRIM4000 students- see CRIM4000 guide.

Community Engagement

Laura Bishop, McQuade's fellow, continues work on a needs assessment for McQuade's ERC. See attached "Next Generation ERC" pdf for a quick overview and some context. She has distributed a survey (over 50 respondents so far) and will facilitate a faculty focus group this week. She also has been working with Amanda Alcox, MINTS program director, to increase outreach and fortify relationships between McQuade's ERC and the MINTS program. Laura worked with Meghan Wynn (website director) and Amanda to make updates to connect ERC and MINTS websites:

- Added a left navigation link to the ERC on the MINTS page
- Updated the ERC page here with new icons and a section about MINTS

The Human Library is returning to McQuade Library this spring for social justice month, on Wednesday, April 20th and Thursday, April 21st. "Books" (people with an interest in volunteering their time to tell their stories) have been hard to come by, thus far. If you know of anyone whom you feel has a meaningful story to share about overcoming prejudice, stereotypes, or great adversity, please, please encourage them to apply! And you are welcome to apply, yourself! Details of volunteering include: Setting aside 2 hours on either 4/20 or 4/21 (or both, if they are so inclined!) to donate their time in the service of promoting an appreciation for the diversity of the human experience. "Human Books" are brave people who possess an openness to sharing their story and engaging in dialogue around their experiences. More information can also be found on the application to serve as a "human book". Please direct any questions to Laura Bishop at bishopla@merrimack.edu

Student Worker Spotlight

My name is Elizabeth St.Germain and I am studying Communication and Media and Digital Media Production. I have been working at the library since the fall of 2020. I am very passionate about service work, and I have been on three Send trips though Campus Ministry. Outside of work and school, I enjoy rock climbing, reading, and writing.



Access Services Student Worker Elizabeth St Germain

Have a wonderful week. Let me know if you have questions or concerns.

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3 attachments

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Next Generation ERC FINAL.pdf



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I am thrilled to announce that we have hired a Metadata Librarian. Her name is Sara Heng and she will be joining our team on March 1st. Sara is an experienced electronic resources librarian who has worked at Rivier University for the last 7 years. In her role at McQuade, she will make sure that library resources are discoverable through MACKsearch and our catalog. She will work with Frances and Chris Morrell to reengineer ordering and processing procedures, and help evaluate electronic resources. Fun fact: Sara is a proud graduate of Merrimack College and worked at McQuade as a student worker. Please join me in welcoming Sara Heng (back!) to McQuade Library.



Photo courtesy of Allie Lang

Therapy dogs Loki and Thor visited McQuade on Thursday. They are very smart, mellow, and sweet animals. It was hard to get a good picture since they were surrounded by students throughout their visit- SO many MC community members enjoyed spending time with them.

Hoping that McQuade library gets some Valentine's Day love - patrons can tell us what they love about McQuade by filling out a quick Valentine either at Help Desk or in ERC. Browse more videos and images at LoveMassLibraries.com.



Library Love Letters

Library Instruction

There are 4 workshops on calendars this week. Lyena is working with Prof. Howland and Christine Shaw's SCC6030 Research & Leadership in Counseling sections (combined workshop) and Prof. Carey's HDE3000 students. CJ is collaborating with Prof. Smith's ENG1050 sections.

Tolle Lege: Call for Submissions

As you connect with faculty, please encourage them to submit their scholarship to us. Authors are invited to submit copies and/or citations of any book(s), article(s) or papers that were published *Jan. 1, 2021 through Dec. 2021*. To be included in this year's Tolle reception, faculty should submit all materials or citations by Tuesday, March 15, 2022 to tollelege@merrimack.edu.

Please save the date: the 19th annual Tolle Lege Reception will be held in-person during the 2022 Research and Creative Achievement Conference on **Thursday, May 5**. Once again, McQuade's Tolle Lege reception, which includes talks by members of the Merrimack community about their scholarly accomplishments, will be an integral part of this conference.

Community Engagement

McQuade is thrilled to welcome Austin Wyllie as a Health Sciences intern this semester! Librarian CJ Wong will be supervising Austin.

My name is Austin Wyllie. I am from Boston, MA and I am a senior at Merrimack. My majors are Public Health and Psychology with the hopes of pursuing a career in the Community Health sector. Post graduation my plan is to apply to a Master of Public Health program within the Northeastern region. I have been with the Observatory Student Assistant for four years and have worked with the School of Science and Engineering for 5 years.



Austin Wyllie

As part of the Big Read, Laura Bishop will be assisting with facilitating a poetry writing workshop at the Council on Aging on Tuesday, February 15th, from 10am -12pm. The workshop, "Por Amor a la Poesía: Translating the Poetry of Joy Harjo" (for Spanish Speakers) will engage seniors in reading and interpreting selected poems by Joy Harjo and then trying their hand at drafting their own poems through guided writing prompts.

In support if Merrimack College's Jail Education Project, Laura Bishop will visit the Middlesex County Jail's pre-release unity with Dr. Brittnie Aiello to meet with incarcerated individuals awaiting release to discuss and determine their reentry resource needs with a view to compiling and providing these resources for them.

Student Worker Spotlight

Hey there! My name is Nate and I am a junior pursuing an Environmental Science degree here at Merrimack. I am involved on campus through the marching band, GSA, being an RA in Ash, and being a student worker at the McQuade Library! Some hobbies of mine include nature/wildlife photography, hiking, reading, and playing guitar and percussion.



Access Services Student Worker Nate Merida

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Hello

Watch out for glass- it's Women's History month! Gabby has created a virtual display- stay tuned for an accompanying physical display on the 1st floor.

Join members of the Lawrence and Merrimack College communities this Wednesday, **March 10th @ 5:30 pm via Zoom** for an exceptional opportunity to hear United States Poet Laureate Joy Harjo read and discuss her poetry and artistic process. A conversation with Harjo and members of the Lawrence community will follow.

Virtual, Free, and Open to the public!



Some of you have asked about Merrimack's new "Warrior One Stop" over in Austin Hall's 1st floor. Read about it here- it brings together the offices of the Bursar, Financial Aid, Registrar, and Task Force- offering important one-stop services for our students.

I also encourage you all to browse MC's awesome **75th Anniversary website.** I love the 75 stories section, MACKtrivia, and the "Because We Believe" MC wallpaper that we can download.

Shoutouts

Lyena and Gabby's collaborations with Dr. Debra Michals and her WGS3300 US Women's History students are featured in the 3/4 issue of "The Record." Read the story and check out these students' "Women at Merrimack: 1950's online exhibit.

Congratulations to Laura, McQuade's Community Engagement Fellow, who offered a "Can Public Libraries Help Bridge our Divides" workshop to 18 public librarians last week as part of her capstone research project. In this workshop participants explored their understandings of public librarianship in the context of civic professionalism and social justice through educational materials and activities focused on civic dialogue, public libraries as Third Spaces, empowerment, adult learning theory, and social capital.



A slide from Laura's presentation

Library Instruction

We have **10** workshops on calendars this week. Lyena and CJ are working with six ENG1050 sections. Gabby is leading an archives workshop with Dr. Michal's WGS3300H students. Frances is collaborating with three MGT1100 sections.

Last month, librarians facilitated **21** workshops. In addition to these librarian-led workshops, students are practicing their research skills in many other ways. Over 75 RTS2300 students visited the library last week to complete an exegesis library activity/scavenger hunt (see attached). Students continue to set-up research consultations with librarians both in person and via zoom.

ERC Update

Last week Dr. Gatling's EDU4300 Children's Literature students presented their community engagement projects to library staff members. These students did collection development for the ERC- they evaluated topics such as neurodiversity, cultural diversity, socio-emotional learning, non-traditional families, mental health, and more. They will share their resource lists with librarians and materials will be added to the collection. Students learned a lot about building library collections, and the ERC collection will expand and improve due to these students' good work.

See below for some pictures of a recent robot playdate in the ERC.





Alum Sam Royston leads an activity

Student Worker Spotlight

Hello! My name is Madeline McDonough and I am a senior studying Secondary Education & English with a minor in Communication & Media. I work on campus as an admissions ambassador, am a member of the Honors Program and Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, and now at the library services help desk! In my free time I enjoy reading fiction, exploring Boston, being a foodie, and spending time with friends!



Have a wonderful last week before Spring Break. 13 days until Spring! Let me know if you have questions or concerns.

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Spring is in the air and we're reaching the midpoint of the semester- midterm grades are due on Tuesday, 3/22.

Join the first MACKeats nutrition challenge kickoff event, "Celebrate a World of Flavors!" Faculty and staff can dine free of charge in the Merrimack Club by swiping their Merrimack ID at the register. You will enjoy a globally-inspired menu, festive music and a chance to mingle with colleagues. Plus, you will also receive a MACKeats nutrition challenge calendar and handouts to bring a world of flavors home.



MACKeats Nutrition Challenge Kickoff Event

at the Merrimack Club Monday, March 21 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Celebrating bell hooks: Seven Decades of Love and Brilliance

Thursday, March 24, at 6 p.m. Register here for this virtual event

Browse MLS calendar for free professional development opportunities. A group of library staff visited NOBLE last week- be on the lookout for more sessions from them too! Be sure to browse their staff information system website.

Good reads:

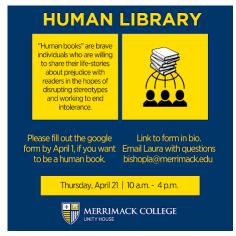
https://www.newyorker.com/culture/infinite-scroll/what-google-search-isnt-showing-you

Library Instruction

There are 4 library workshops on the calendar this week. Lyena is working with Professor Mallen's ENG1050 sections and CJ is working with Professor Miller's ENG1050 sections. Professor Howland's students continue to make appointments with librarians.

Community Engagement

McQuade Library is co-hosting a Human Library event on Thursday, April 21st as part of Social Justice Month. Please reach out to Laura Bishop with questions, or if you're interested in helping with this event.



- Human Book Volunteer Form
- Nomination form for Human Books
- 3-minute video depicting the Human Library in action at Fairfield Public Library (CT)

Hot Titles

It's time to refresh our **Hot Titles** collection. Hot Titles are highly anticipated (new!) and popular books and we feature them on the second floor of the library outside of the Graduate Center. This collection aims to promote leisure reading- It offers the latest print bestsellers and hot titles in fiction and non-fiction. Due to their popularity, Hot Titles can be checked out for 2 weeks and can be renewed twice.

Here is form to make recommendations - we'd love recommendations from MC faculty, students, and staff. Let Gabby know if you have questions.

Have a wonderful first week of Spring- hoping we can leave our jackets behind real soon. Let me know if you have questions or concerns.



"I'm going on a little mental-health walk and you're not coming with me!"

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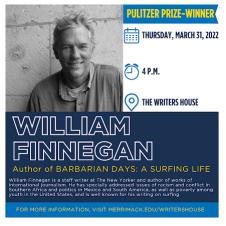
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Hope you all watched these videos to celebrate and honor the 75tth anniversary of Merrimack's founding!

Merrimack: An Origin Story video (3 minutes)

Short video (1 minute)

Join The Writers House (in person) this Thursday, March 31st at 4 pm for author William Finnegan. Finnegan has been a staff writer at The New Yorker since 1987 and is the author of five books: Barbarian Days: A Surfing Life; Cold New World: Growing Up in a Harder Country; A Complicated War: The Harrowing of Mozambique; Dateline Soweto: Travels with Black South African Reporters; and Crossing the Line: A Year in the Land of Apartheid.



interaction/contact/questions) with faculty or students in zoho. Attached are "using zoho" quick instructions, but let me or CJ know if you need a refresher on how to do this. More students are using McQuade's study spaces too. Please continue to do walk-throughs during your shifts and let me know if there are concerns.

Library Instruction

This week librarians are facilitating an evening library workshop with Professor Walsh's EDU601 students. Professor Rocha's ENG1050 students will be completing asynchronous library activities this week. During the month of March we conducted a total of **17** library workshops.

Community Engagement

This week local educator Gorman Lee will be picking up McQuade's **Courage to Remember panels** to use for an exhibit as Braintree High School observes Holocaust Remembrance week. Check out this attached **press release**.



Library staff continue to create 1st floor displays to promote various campus events and activities. The above display promotes this week's Writer's House event. Thank you to the team for creating these displays- both physical and virtual.

Laura Bishop continues to work on an ERC needs assessment by meeting with two undergrad education classes (Dr. Welby and Dr. Gatling's classes) on Monday, 3/28, and Wednesday, 3/30, to run focus groups with them. Shout out to Sarah Pendenza and intern Austin Wyllie for assisting Laura in taking notes on the participants' responses.

Laura also **created a companion guide** to the work of **Joy Harjo** and other contemporary native artists. While some of the content here is Merrimack's, most of it is not! Please feel free to share it with friends, teachers, professors, and, of course, other artists with an interest in indigenous voices in the arts. Note this resource is a living document in that she will be adding more to it...she hopes you find something of interest or beauty within it.

Student Spotlight

Hello everybody! My name is Matt Sideman and I am currently a senior majoring in business administration with a concentration in corporate finance. I have worked at the library all four years of my college career and have enjoyed every minute of it. In my free time, I love to either be outside playing basketball with friends or relaxing on the couch watching movies. A fun fact about me is that I have visited eight national parks (Yellowstone being my favorite) and in the future wish to visit every national park in the country. My journey at Merrimack will soon be ending but I am extremely grateful for my time

here working at the library and wish everybody nothing but happiness and the best of luck as the future unfolds!



Matt Sideman

Have a wonderful week- let me know if you have questions or concerns. Sharing one more therapy dogs at McQuade photo to put a smile on your face!



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Beginning on Monday, April 4 the COVID-19 Testing Center will be relocated to the McQuade Library, 2nd floor in *former IT space*. Please direct people to 2nd floor (through double-doors and towards ramp)-there is signage. The hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Testing will be available through the end of the semester and will end at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 13, 2022.

This week librarians will connect with Library Resources Committee faculty members to open conversations regarding resource needs for new courses and programs.

We have received **122** 2021 submissions to add to Tolle Lege special collection; resource management team continues to acquire copies of books and articles and create master list. Tolle Lege planning group will meet this week to plan 5/5 in-person reception (held in Cascia Hall at 11am) and select speakers.

Good Reads:

https://www.libraryjournal.com/story/academiclibraries/Academic-Libraries-Add-Space-for-Student-Parents Academic Libraries Add Space for Student Parents [Library Journal]

https://www.sfcv.org/articles/feature/preserving-past-digital-age-still-massive-headache
Preserving the Past in the Digital Age Is Still a Massive Headache [San Francisco Classical Voice]

Shoutouts

Kevin wants to be sure to thank **everyone** for the McQuade Library & Friends gift basket- he was wearing the F*** cancer bracelet we gave him too! He is feeling well as he enters his third round of chemo. He continues to work on campus so be sure to say hello if you see him or swing by the Media Center.

Huge shoutouts to **Frances** and **Sara** for compiling and submitting loads of resource statistics for the ACRL Academic Library Trends and Statistics Survey. By completing this survey we also have completed questions from the IPEDS Academic Libraries Component; every institution of higher education receiving federal funding must respond to the IPEDS survey. Special thanks to Chris M, Gabby, and CJ for contributing statistics as well. It was definitely a team effort! This data will help inform decision making, enable us to do benchmarking with peer groups, and help present data that demonstrates the value this academic library provides to MC.

Unity in Diversity

Please sign up for Spring 2022 Unity in Diversity Days sessions that you're interested in attending on Tuesday, April 5th and Wednesday, April 6th. I hope that you are able to attend the in-person evening reception too, as your schedules permit.

Sponsored by the President's Initiative on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI), the program features a diverse group of scholars, artists and advocates, and is designed to broaden and deepen our understanding of systemic inequalities with a focus on current issues. Topics this semester include diversity in education, restorative justice, the role of art in transforming communities, health disparities and the future of gender inclusivity. Speakers will share knowledge and strategies, meant to enhance our awareness and ability to overcome inequities on campus and in the workplace by taking care of ourselves and one another while building communities rooted in accountability and intersectional justice.

To view the complete schedule of sessions visit this website.

Participation in Unity in Diversity Days sessions count toward the Distinguished DEI Educator Certificate. Simply keep track of your hours and you will be awarded a certificate and a badge after you have completed **25** hours. It would be great if library staff members earn this Certificate!

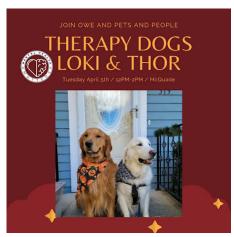


Unity in Diversity titles from or about our speakers:

- **Reconsidering Reparations** by Olúfhemi O.Táíwò is available for online reading through EbookCentral with a print copy expected this week.
- Dressmakers at Auschwitz: the true story of women who sewed to survive Lucy J. Adlington's book is available in NOBLE libraries and on Libby/Overdrive. Place a hold for delivery from NOBLE libraries or for our print copy coming soon.
- Circle Up: Mothers seeking justice for their murdered sons being screened and discussed Tuesday evening and can now be viewed on Merrimack's Kanopy site
- How to be you: stop trying to be someone else and start living your life by Jeffrey Marsh will be available soon in print and online.

Community Engagement

Therapy dogs are back onTuesday, April 5th- spread the word!



Loki & Thor

It's hard to believe it's already time for us to select next year's library community engagement fellow. This Friday, Laura and Lyena will spend the day interviewing and ranking candidates. To learn about the community engagement fellowship -format, curriculum, and to see a sampling of fellowship site job descriptions (including ours!)- browse here. If you have thoughts or ideas about this fellowship, please reach out to Lyena. We have been fortunate to have excellent fellows who have strengthened McQuade's community engagement initiatives in the past two years.

Student Worker Spotlight

Lily Williams is a senior majoring in human development and elementary education. She is currently student -teaching second graders in Haverhill on weekdays. She is also an RA in South Residential Village and is the Vice President of the figure skating team. Lily has been working at the library since freshman year: in the ERC for 2.5 years and more recently at the front desk this school year.



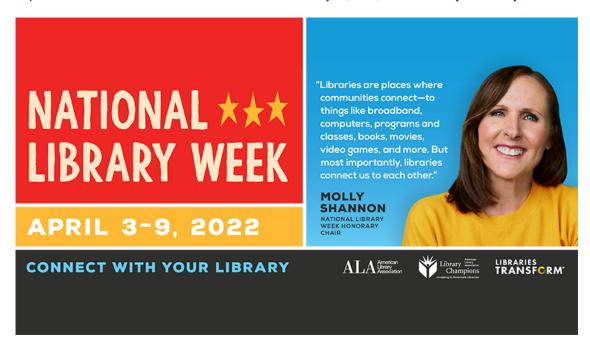
Lily Williams

Want to see Lily skate? The MC figure skating team is performing this Saturday, 4/9 at **2pm** at Lawler Rink. It's a Disney-themed show!



Happy National Library Week!

"The theme for National Library Week 2022, "Connect with Your Library," promotes the idea that libraries are places to get connected to technology, and resources. Libraries also offer opportunities to connect with media, programs, ideas, and classes—in addition to books. Most importantly libraries also connect communities to each other. Overall, the theme is an explicit call to action—an invitation for communities to join, visit, or advocate your library."





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McQuade Library

Hello

Think Spring!



Easter Recess Hours:

Wednesday, April 13th: Close at 10pm

Thursday, April 14th- Sunday, April 17th: Closed

Monday, April 18th (Easter Monday): Open at 10am; Resume 24/5 Hours

Any library staff member who works on Monday, 4/18 (holiday) will get comp time. Please update calendars so that we know which staff members will be at library.

FYI- on Monday evening, 4/18, we will need to use manual checkout for several hours after 7:15 pm since Evergreen is moving to the Cloud. We will send an email reminder later this week.



Please join us at 4 PM on Monday for this terrific event at the Writer's House. Anastasia Higginbotham has written a groundbreaking book about supporting children through the trauma of family sexual abuse and contributing to their healing. This will be a great chance to refresh our compassion skills, and learn how to talk with kids about hard things at the same time. We will be receiving signed copies of some of Anastasia's titles for McQuade!

Good Reads:

https://www.washingtonpost.com/technology/2022/04/08/ukraine-digital-history/

https://guides.masslibsystem.org/ClimatePrepWeek/BlueMarbleLibraryBlog/Ecological-and-Sustainably-Minded-Story-Walks

Resource Management

Kanopy Update -

Kanopy Streaming has updated Merrimack's Kanopy site with several enhanced and new features:

- A search and browse update browsing terms include popular topics.
- A new Live Transcript tool that plays a film's transcript simultaneously while the video plays, which makes for easier excerpting.
- A Continue Watching shelf that lets users who set up an account easily pick up where they left
- A Public Performance Rights Indicator that lets librarians know if a film is available for public showing outside of class

More information can be found at Kanopy's Help site

Ukraine

Dig deeper into the Ukraine with recent ebooks, (text and audio) on Ukraine now available via EbookCentral and Overdrive.

We are making room for new materials for new programs!

Through second floor inventory efforts of our Student and Library Staff Assistants, 750 books no longer relevant to Merrimack's needs have been shipped to Better World Books so far. A portion of the proceeds from any books sold will come to Merrimack, but most may become available through the Internet Archive's Open Library.

Student Worker Spotlight

Hi my name is Danny! I am a junior double majoring in accounting and corporate finance. In my free time I enjoy going out with friends and playing video games. I've been working at the library in access services for a year and I love it. My favorite part about working at the library is seeing how many students utilize the resources we have.



Community Engagement

As part of social justice month, the **Human Library** is coming to McQuade- please save the date! Laura Bishop, along with Em Heath and Bethany Tsiaras (2 other MC fellows) have recruited 15 Human Books to share their powerful stories.



These additional social justice events are happening this week- see calendar below for month's events!

Monday, April 11: Social Justice in Action: Civic Engagement for Students with Disabilities, 10-11 a.m., O'Reilly 310.

Tuesday, April 12: *Taking Action for Social Justice*, 6:30-7:30 p.m., location TBD.

SOCIAL JUSTICE MONTH 2022

UNITY IN DIVERSITY DAYS: APRIL 5TH & 6TH

The President's Initiative on Diversity Equity and Inclusion has organized two full days of events to promote diversity, equity, inclusion, and social justice. Click Here to see full schedule

Monday April 11th 10:00-11:00am, O'Reilly 310

Social Justice in Action: Civic Engagement for Students with Disabilities

I'n's presentation will address the creation of the Americans with Disabilities Act, how it relates to higher education, and the long-term impacts both in and out of the classroom for college students.

Wednesday April 20th 12:30-1:45pm, Click here to join

Nicole Hassoun: Beyond Vaccine Nationalism in Pandemic Preparation and Response

Dr. Nicole Hassouri is a Philosophy Professor and head of the Global Health Impact Project at Binghamton University.

Monday April 11th

4:00-5:00pm, Writers House

Anastasia Higginbotham at The Writers
House

Children's book author, Anastasia Higginbotham will discuss he recent book, You Ruined It, with Dr. Susan Marine. Her work empowers children to live in their integrity and full humanity.

Wednesday April 20th 11:00am-1:30pm, Main St. Sakowich Social Justice Pop-Up Pop Quiz

Come test your knowledge on social justice! Correct answers will be entered to win a cornhole set!

Tuesday April 12th

6:30-7:30pm, Location TBD

Taking Action for Social Justice

Matthew Cohen, co-founder of Together We Rise, and other participants will offer suggestions on concrete actions students can take to help support social and racial justice and respond to student questions

Wednesday April 20th 4:00-5:00pm, The Writers House

Nina Banks on Democracy, Race, and Justice: The Speeches and Writings of Sadie T. M Alexander

Professor Nina Banks will discuss her recovery of the economic thought of the first African American economist, Sadie T.M. Alexander.

Thursday April 21st

10:00am-4:00pm, McQuade Library UN- Judge a Book by Its Cover:

Visit the Human Library
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brave inchivalusly who are willing to share
their life stories about prejudice with
readers in hopes of disrupting stereotypes
and working to end intolerance

Tuesday April 26th 12:30-1:00pm, 27 Rock Ridge Rd.

Food Sovereignty and Seed Saving at the Merrimack Garden

Thursday April 21st 10:00-11:00am, Location TBD

Shifting Our Mindset: Neurodiversity through a Strengths-Based Lens

Drawing on research and first-hand experience of our neurodiverse students, this workshop explores the nuances of neurodiversity, as well as the need for a strengths based approach to supporting neurodiverse students

Wednesday April 27th 4:00-5:00pm, The Writers House Dr. Christian Bolden at Writers House

Dr. Christian Bolden is author of Out of the Red: My Life of Gangs, Prison, and Redemption

Friday April 22nd 12:00-1:00pm Click here to join

Open Conversation on Global Justice and Issues in Ukraine

oin the faculty of Political Science and Public Policy for an open and unscripted conversation on current events, global justice, and issues in Ukraine.

Careers in Social Justice

More information about this panel will be posted soon.

Monday April 25th

4:00-6:00pm, Crowe Executive Room

Food Justice Symposium

Faculty, staff and students will present on issues of food security and their work to alleviate hunger in the Merrimack Valley

Click here for updates and additional events.

For more information, contact socialjusticeprogram@merrimack .edu



Students continue to relax with therapy dogs at McQuade. Loki and Thor will visit one more time in May!

Shoutouts

My daughter and I enjoyed watching Merrimack College's ice skating club's Spring Show on Saturday. Lily, our student worker, skated a solo and was recognized as a senior. Congratulations, Lily!





Enjoy Easter recess, all! Let me know if you have questions or concerns.

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McQuade Library

Hello

Lots of social justice events are happening this week including **The Human Library** which we are hosting this Thursday at McQuade. Please try to attend a few of these events as your schedules allow. Laura Bishop will follow up with details regarding The Human Library event and how you can help promote it.



Wednesday, April 20: *Nicole Hassoun: Beyond Vaccine Nationalism in Pandemic Preparation and Response*, 12:30-1:45 p.m., via Zoom.

Wednesday, April 20: Social Justice Pop-Up Pop Quiz, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., on Main Street in the Sakowich Center.

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Friday, April 22: Open Conversation on Global Justice and Issues in Ukraine, 12-1 p.m., via Zoom.

Summer session 2022 courses are here.

We have secured speakers for our annual Tolle Lege event (an integral part of the College's *Research & Creative Achievement Conference*) and will be sending out invitations and promoting the event to the entire MC Community.



Liaisons are meeting with Library Resource Committee faculty members to open conversations regarding resource needs for new programs and courses.

Please save the dates of Friday, 5/20 and Sunday, 5/22 for Commencement activities.



ERC



New Books selected by students

Pictured above is a table featuring all new books that Dr. Gatling's EDU4340 students recommended last semester and that we were able to acquire for our collection. Books range from important topics such as socio-emotional learning to mental health to disabilities. The students did a fantastic job making recommendations- we appreciate them using their knowledge and expertise to help build collections!



EDU4340 students presenting their Community Engagement Projects

Last week library staff members and Visual and Performing Arts faculty members enjoyed listening to Anne Gatling's EDU4300 students present their final community engagement presentations in the ERC. These students researched Massachusetts Arts Standards and evaluated ERC's current holdings and made recommendations. They researched topics such as music, visual arts, dance, theatre, and more. Final presentations included "top ten" resource lists that will be shared with librarians.

Tyler Papciak, a fellow working towards his Masters in Social Work, is running an event on Wednesday, April 20 and is having Kellyann, a former graduate fellow, come to talk about adoption and foster children. The event will take place this Wed., 4/20/22 at 5:00 pm in the ERC. We will have a book display with resources on adoption and foster children to support this event.

Student Worker Spotlight

Hi my name is Faith May and I've been working at McQuade Library in Access Services for 2 years now. I am a senior majoring in psychology with a minor in education. I'm also in the sorority Zeta Tau Alpha and part of the living and learning community Austin Scholars. I'm currently interning at SHED Children's campus where I co-teach children from ages 3 to 6 about mindfulness, emotions, learning and listening skills. In my free time I enjoy going to the beach in Cape Cod!



Faith May

Community Engagement

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Special thanks to **Laura Bishop** for partnering with Lyena on last Friday's Community Engagement Fellow Interview day. Laura and Lyena met and interviewed 2 Community Engagement students who are interested in McQuade's CE fellowship. These candidates appreciated Laura sharing her experiences serving in this role this year. We will find out in the next few weeks who will build on Laura's good work and serve as our next Community Engagement fellow.

It is bound to be a busy one- hope you all have a terrific week! Let me know if you have questions or concerns.

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Hello

Prepare for lots of studying, research, and writing happening at the library during this last full week of classes! Librarians have research appointments with students, students are using archival materials in the Research Center, and there are 2 more library workshops on calendars.

The end of the semester is when we receive, upload, and publish final capstones/theses in Merrimack Scholarworks, the college's digital repository. Shoutout to Allie Lang who has been serving as repository administrator and monitoring our scholarworks email box. See recent additions in this repository. I know we've worked with many of these students and it's always rewarding to read their final papers and see them published in MSW.

On Tuesday, 4/26, Amy Thurlow at EBSCO will come to campus to demonstrate new MACKsearch interface options to the library team.

On Tuesday afternoon Dr. Chris Duston will present his work at this year's Murray Symposium:



On Wednesday, Dr. Christian Bolden, author of *Out of the Red: My Life of Gangs, Prison, and Redemption,* will discuss the past and future of mass incarceration and his redemptive story of overcoming the stigma of a felony conviction. Co-sponsored by the Jail Education Project:



I encourage you to browse free professional development/training opportunities from MLS here.

Check out this McQuade Library Tour featured on Merrimack's Facebook page.

Finally, Lisa Perks, Communications & Media Professor, has reached out to us to host a small seed library at McQuade. Lisa is volunteering at Merrimack's garden and has been engaged in seed saving. All seed libraries look different, but here's one article that discusses, and also Mass Aggie's incredible libguide. This is a nice way to support Merrimack's garden and offer a new service to the Merrimack community's novice and experienced gardeners. Think Spring!

Community Engagement

McQuade's Human Library was a success- congratulations to Laura Bishop for coordinating a memorable and engaging social justice event. Over 50 people checked out human books and had amazing conversations with brave individuals who shared their life stories about prejudice with readers. Coordinators distributed feedback forms to participants and will be reviewing feedback and debriefing. Thank you to CJ who served as a human book!



Fellows Em, Bethany, and Laura sporting their "Unjude Someone" Tshirts



Students enjoying conversation!



Students talking with an exoneree

Special thanks to Andrea Wamboldt, FYE Director, who brought her FYE class to this event. More Human Library pictures can be found here- shoutout to Kevin for taking these terrific photos.

Laura Bishop continues to do a comprehensive needs assessment of McQuade's ERC. She has partnered with MINTS and is offering a session entitled "What's on Your Wishlist? A Drop-in, Listening Session for K-12 Teachers with Merrimack College's Educational Resources Center (ERC)".

Description:

What are your resource needs to support and enhance your work with students? We at Merrimack College want to hear from you so that we may cultivate the most up-to-date, curricularly relevant collection of books, technology, and programmatic resources possible for you! Drop-in for a few minutes or the entire session to voice your needs and aspirations for your work and schools. We will listen, and take note! We look forward to a post-covid opening where we can provide you with open access to the ERC collection and space.

The Merrimack Institute for New Teacher Support (MINTS) Co-Sponsors with the McQuade Library:

What's on Your Wishlist? A Drop-in, Listening Session for K-12 Teachers with Merrimack College's Educational Resources Center (ERC)



Tuesday, May 3, 2022 4:30-6 p.m. EST Zoom



What are your resource needs to support and enhance your work with students? We at Merrimack College want to hear from you so that we may cultivate the most up-to-date, curricularly relevant collection of books, technology and programmatic resources possible for you! Drop in for a few minutes or the entire session to voice your needs and aspirations for your work and schools. We will listen and take note! We look forward to a post-COVID opening where we can provide you with open access to the ERC collection and space.

Zoom Link: https://merrimack.zoom.us/j/98978736956 Meeting ID: 989 7873 6956



Laura Bishop is a M.Ed. in Community Engagement candidate at Merrimack College. She is currently finishing up her graduate fellowship at Merrimack's McQuade Library. Laura is a librarian with 17 years of experience in school and public libraries, a social justice educator and a community engagement practitioner with a passion for building community relationships and connection. She believes in the power of democratic engagement, people power and the liberatory potential of literacy and libraries.

The Power-Based Violence Planning Collective will host the **Clothesline Project** again this year, organized by Dr. Susan Marine. All can view this powerful display in the grassy area in front of McQuade Library. The Clothesline Project is an international movement to bring awareness to domestic and sexual violence, with roots starting in Massachusetts over 30 years ago. Learn more here.

Tolle Lege

"Tolle Lege" or "take and read" is an Augustinian motto and the name of our collection of creative and scholarly work produced by members of the Merrimack community of faculty, staff, students, and alumni/ae. Each year during the spring semester McQuade Library hosts a reception to honor the authors of works submitted to the collection in the past year. Our time honored Tolle Lege reception is part of the college's Research and Creative Achievement Conference (RCAC) and is an in-person event happening next **Thursday, May 5th** at **11am** in **Cascia Hall**. This year's speakers will be:

Michael Hyman - Girard School of Business Kathryn Welby - Winston School of Education & Social Policy Leena Bharath- School of Health Sciences Kirstie Dobbs - School of Liberal Arts Andrew Banasiewicz- School of Science & Engineering Carlirys (or Carla for short) Luciano has been working in Access Services at McQuade Library for a year now. Carla has been a lifesaver several times, covering shifts at the last minute. She is a sophomore majoring in environmental science and minoring in digital media. In her free time she enjoys skateboarding. An interesting fact about Carla is that she is fluent in Spanish.



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McQuade Library

Hello

It's crunch time and McQuade will be full of students working on group projects and studying for finals.

May 4 (Wednesday) - Last day of classes

5-6 (Thurs-Fri) Reading Days

6 (Friday) 8-week Spring Session 2 - Last day of classes

9-13 (Mon-Fri) Final Examinations

10 (Tuesday) 8-week Spring Session 2 - Final grades due

16 (Monday) All senior grades are due by noon

19 (Thursday) All other grades are due by noon

20-22 (Fri-Sun) Commencement weekend

We will remain open 24/5 through finals and tentatively close on at 5pm on 5/13 and transition to summer hours. We will finalize end-of-semester library hours and share summer ones soon.

Allie has been working on the student worker schedule during finals- see "Finals Schedule SP22" sheet on Roster.

Check out this piece about Merrimack College's teacher study

The results of our first annual Merrimack College Teacher Survey were recently featured in a WCVB-TV newscast. Professor Dan Sarofian-Butin spoke about the reasons behind the recent exodus of teachers from the education field, citing "the salary issue, the overcrowding issue...and I would say that students feel that when they see the news, that they're kind of in this collateral damage."

Save the dates. On Monday, May 23, and Wednesday, May 25, please join the virtual CETL Teaching and Learning Days that will feature a keynote presentation and workshop with Jose Antonio Bowen (May 23). Bowen's pathbreaking book for educators, Teaching Change, shows that focusing on relationships, resilience, and reflection can better prepare graduates for the future. The full schedule of faculty-led workshops and tech training will be forthcoming.

Finally, see "Commencement Participation" email and please sign up to volunteer for a shift during Commencement weekend.

"Employee participation in Commencement exercises – Friday, May 20 - Sunday, May 22 – is vital to its success. We ask that all employees please sign up to participate in Commencement throughout the weekend."

Library Instruction

Two more workshops this week to complete the spring semester. McQuade Librarians collectively offered **45** course-integrated workshops to students (both undergraduate and graduate) across all schools this spring semester, reaching over 800 students. Librarians are working to compile reference and instruction statistics and send an end-of-year survey to faculty.

Tolle Lege

McQuade's annual Tolle Lege reception, part of the College's Research and Creative Achievement Conference, will take place this Thursday, May 5th at 11am. We will recognize Merrimack authors who have published in the previous year (2021). The Provost will share some opening remarks, faculty members representing each school will give lightning talks on their research, and then 2021 authors will sign their work which is added to McQuade's *Tolle Lege* special collection. There will be time to connect with colleagues and enjoy light bites.



Andrew Banasiewicz-School of S&E

Industry Practitioner-Turned Academician: Infusing Theory into Practice

Leena Bharath- School of Health Sciences It is Not Me, It is My Age that Makes me Inflammatory

Kirstie Dobbs - School of Liberal Arts

Growing Up Pandemic: A New Generation of Youth in Revolt

Michael Hyman - Girard School

Factors Impacting the Relationship Between Prices and Earnings

Kathryn Welby - Winston School

The Opioid Epidemic and Remote Learning - Uncovering Challenges and Advocating for Solutions in Two Studies

Please also plan to attend student poster sessions later that afternoon (5/5) from **3:30pm-5:30pm** in the multipurpose room. Nearly 400 students will be presenting their work at this event.

Community Engagement

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Surfer Loki!

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Also, Laura will be sharing out the results from her ERC needs assessment with the library team - watch your email for an invite.

Student Worker Spotlight

Emma has worked in access services in the library for about a year now. She is a junior double majoring in human development/human services and education with a concentration in moderate disabilities. Emma is currently doing her pre-practicum at Bradford Elementary School in Haverhill in a 3rd grade special education classroom. In her free time she enjoys going to the beach and spending time with her friends and family. A fun fact about Emma is she is a twin and she is from Maine!



Emma Moffatt

As we approach finals, please be sure to continue to do building walkthroughs to make sure students are respectful of their peers and mindful of our silent study area. Let me know if you have questions or concerns.

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McQuade Library

Hello

A note from Kathryn and Lyena about participation in Commencement:

The next few weeks are very exciting and we all have a lot to celebrate and honor -- our graduating students, retirements, tenured and promoted faculty and the dedication and hard work of everyone at Merrimack. Getting to this annual milestone has not been easy following these past few years; there is much to celebrate and reflect on -- and relaxation is surely deserved.

One ask that we have is that the community come together for commencement in both planning and participation. Participation in Commencement is vital to its success and we ask that all faculty and staff please sign up to participate in both days. Commencement exercises and our year-end faculty and staff social events are an important part of our culture and a time to come together to celebrate our Merrimack community and spirit.

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Did you know this Wednesday is National Third Shift Workers day? I want to recognize and thank Donna and Deb our mighty overnight workers for being reliable members of our team, enabling the library to be open for students 24/5 during the academic school year. We don't see you often but we appreciate you!

Thank you!

Our awesome Library student workers are the face of McQuade, often the first people users see when they visit McQuade. They handle a variety of inquiries at our Library Services Desk, help community members find sources, reshelve/organize materials, and do many behind-the-scenes projects. The library staff thanks **all** of our student workers and sends our best wishes to our graduates.

Niamh Lynch
Faith May
Madeline McDonough
Matthew Sideman
Elizabeth St. Germain
Lily Williams
Cameron James
Monica Van Stry
Carly Stabile



Amazing Allie

We also had an incredible temporary Access Services assistant from Bibliotemps helping us this academic year- **Allie Lang**. Allie's last day at Merrimack is this Friday, May 13th. Allie contributed so much during her time at McQuade. She coordinated our student worker schedule, helped Gabby with interlibrary loans, created beautiful book displays to promote campus events, served as our Merrimack ScholarWorks administrator, and did countless other access services tasks. Allie will be moving to Connecticut this summer while continuing to pursue her Master's degree in Library Science. Any library in Connecticut would truly be fortunate to have her. We will miss her at McQuade!

Tolle Lege

Over **45** community members attended our 19th annual Tolle Lege event. A comprehensive list of works added to this special collection can be found here.



2021 Merrimack Authors



Delightful display of 2021 works



New Tolle location - Cascia Hall!

See more pictures of this reception and the successful RCAC poster event here. Shoutout to Kevin for taking these wonderful photos. Kudos to Frances, Sara, and Chris M for planning a great reception- many attendees commented on how well-organized and enjoyable it was! Folks enjoyed mingling with colleagues and delicious light bites.

Community Engagement

Laura is finishing up her fellowship work- her last day at McQuade will be next Wednesday, May 18th. This Thursday Laura will be presenting the findings from the ERC needs assessment to a group of library staff and School of Education and Social Policy professors and staff members. Lyena has a CE site supervisor meeting this week and will be writing Laura's evaluation. Please reach out to Laura and Lyena if you have ideas/thoughts on future CE projects for next year's fellow.

Student Worker Spotlight

My name is Kevin Murphy and I am a Junior here at Merrimack. I am a business major with an interest in finance and investments. I like to ski, produce music, and play hockey in my free time. For the past 2 and a half years, lot of my time has been spent in the library so I am excited to be here and build connections along the way.



Kevin Murphy

During finals, please be sure to continue to do building walkthroughs to make sure students are respectful of their peers and mindful of the silent study area. Let me know if you have questions or concerns.



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Shoutouts

Gabby Womack published this essay about her journey of researching her great-grandfather and learning more about the historical context of his time. Dr. Shannon Butler-Mokoro (Merrimack Professor in Social Work) invited her to write for the special issue and encouraged her every step of the way!

Kevin Salemme recently collaborated with Professor Walker Robins to build this website for his history class last semester and did all the photography. Check out this spectacular project: https://merrimackcovidproject.com/

Save the Dates

Therapy Dogs at McQuade

Thursday February 10th, Thursday March 10th, and Tuesday, April 5th from 12PM-2PM

Laura Bishop's Capstone Workshop

Thursday, March 3rd, 6pm-8pm

Joy Harjo (Keynote for Big Read grant)

Thursday, March 10th, 6pm

The Human Library

Wednesday, April 20th and Thursday, April 21st

In support and celebration of social justice month (April 2022) at Merrimack, McQuade will create space for a Human Library, an internationally recognized event designed to connect people across differences through authentic, open dialogue meant to challenge perceptions and stereotypes. Human Libraries offer a unique and powerful experience for all parties involved.

See more campus events here.

Professional Development Opportunities

Webjunction webinars

MLS Professional Development Workshops

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) is a national certification managed by the National Council for Mental Wellbeing designed to train members of the community in skills to assist when someone faces a mental health crisis or challenge. Trainees learn risk factors, warning signs, and how to guide someone to helpful resources. Mental Health First Aid is an eighthour, certification training that teaches how to:

- -Recognize the risk factors/warning signs of mental health challenges
- -Understand the importance of early intervention
- -Get the skills and tools to connect with mental health professionals and offer support strategies.

Faculty, adjunct instructors and staff who are interested can register here. This training will greatly benefit our community by helping to identify and support those who are struggling – whether faculty, students or staff.

As President Hopey said in his last email, let's be kind, patient, and continue to take care of one another as we navigate these unpredictable times. Let me know if you have questions or concerns as the semester begins.

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Quick updates from Lyena (Week of 6/27)

1 message

Chavez, Lyena <chavezl@merrimack.edu>

Mon, Jun 27, 2022 at 12:38 PM

To: McQuadeStaff@merrimack.edu>

Cc: "Nielsen, Kathryn" <nielsenk@merrimack.edu>, Janet Syed <syedj@merrimack.edu>, Christine Sacco <saccoc@merrimack.edu>, Sean Wright <wrights@merrimack.edu>

Hello all,

I hope your long summer weekends are rejuvenating and fun. Here are a few updates:

Seed Library

As part of a Food Sovereignty SCURCA project, Professor Lisa Perks and her SCURCA students are putting together a seed library at McQuade. FYI, they will be setting up this little library on the 1st floor of McQuade in the space to the left of entrance. I will be sure to share project blog and more details once the library is ready, as we may field questions about it.

ABET

Shoutout to CJ, Frances, and Sara who are putting together library resources narrative and statistics for ABET-engineering accreditation.

FY22 Library Annual Report

It's the end of the fiscal year so that means it's annual report time. I will share template this week- thanks in advance for compiling stats and writing brief narratives that will help us tell our library's FY22 story.

Summer Dates from Provost Bulletin:

Friday, July 1: Last day of Summer Term 1

8-week Summer Session 1 - Last day of classes

Monday - Friday, July 4-8: Break for Summer 3 Term

Tuesday, July 5: 8-week Summer Session 2 Begins

Thursday, July 7: 8-week Summer Session 1 - Final grades due

Grades due for Summer Term 1

Monday, July 11: Summer Term 2 begins

8-week Summer Session 2 - Last day for adding and dropping classes

Wednesday, July 20: Last day for adding and dropping Summer Term 2 classes

Last day for converting to and from Audit for Summer Term 2

4th of July

College and library will be **closed** on Monday, July 4 - Independence Day. I hope you all enjoy the long weekend with family and friends!

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This Week at McQuade (Summer updates, 6/5)

1 message

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Mon, Jun 6, 2022 at 8:00 AM

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Hello

Thank you to all who volunteered at Commencement. Check out Double Warrior Isabel Fernandes' speech if you didn't get to hear it. Professor Andrew Tollison (Director of Graduate Communications program) received the Roddy Award. I also enjoyed reading a story about graduate Paul Nason since I worked with him to find sources for his capstone project.



Another beautiful MC Commencement



Library's Graduate CE Fellow Laura Bishop & Lyena

Shoutout to CETL colleagues who hosted terrific post-Commencement Teaching & Learning Days. Check out these Canvas resources to familiarize yourself with MC's new learning management system. Also, we're thrilled to have Janet, Christine, and Sean now working in temporary spaces on the 2nd floor of McQuade. Be sure to say hello and know where their offices are so that we can direct faculty and others to them.

New/updated library resources:

Tolle Lege 2022

June Virtual Display

This week librarians are meeting with Diane Conrad, Bepress trainer, for a content tour of Digital Commons platform (Merrimack ScholarWorks). As the college increases scholarly output, it is a priority to upload more content into this digital repository. Librarians are working on libguides and website improvements this summer; we will be rolling out a new MACKsearch interface as well. Gabby is reporting increases in summer interlibrary loan requests as faculty transiition from teaching to summer research.

Professional Development

Keep learning this summer. MLS has some terrific free offerings. Take a look at their calendar.

NOBLE's annual Tech Expo is thisTuesday, June 7, 10 am to 3 pm, all online. All sessions will be recorded.

I will host a watch party for this *Chronicle* webinar on Monday, June 13th at 2pm. Stay tuned for an evite:

Hosted by Chronicle senior writer, Scott Carlson to hear directly from leading academic librarians on how they're meeting evolving needs on campus. You'll hear how librarians are responding to new challenges like changing relationships with academic publishers, the new role of classroom technology, and new expectations of their role.

Don't forget we all have access to **Academic Impressions:**

- Hundreds of hours of online training, both live and on-demand (with new training added weekly)
- All Academic Impressions virtual conferences
- Hundreds of additional tools, resources and articles
- Exclusive member resources for current and aspiring women leaders, improving online teaching and student support, the latest DEI resources and academic leaders
- A series of focused learning plans to help leaders at all levels sharpen their skills
- Direct access to the Academic Impressions research team to discuss emerging topics

To access these resources, log in to the Academic Impressions website using your Merrimack College email credentials and member benefits will be granted automatically.

LinkedIn Learning is terrific too. LinkedIn Learning is an on-demand library of instructional videos covering the latest business, technology and creative skills. If you don't have access, reach out to O'Brien Center at obriencenter@merrimack.edu to activate!

Library Instruction

On 5/24 Lyena facilitated a "Ready to Research" zoom webinar to the new cohort of Community Engagement graduate students. See slide deck and handout on the Community Engagement libguide. CJ will be leading a "Library Services" session for all orientation leaders on Tuesday, June 7th. This is an important "train the trainer" session so that all OLs know about library resources, services, and staff! To learn more about this summer's student orientations, go here.

Student Worker Update

Two student workers -Carlirys (or Carla for short) Luciano and Nathan Merida- will be working with us this summer. They will staff the Library Services Desk and do special projects. Thank you to Chris M for coordinating their schedules. Linda will be supervising these students this summer.

Carlirys

Mondays 9-6 Tuesdays 9-1 Wednesdays 9-1 Thursdays 9-1

Nate

Tuesdays 12-6 Thursdays 1-6

Reunion Weekend

The library will be **open** this Friday, June 10th since the College is open for reunion events. Frances has been collaborating with Nancy Wynn to include a number of Tolle Lege books in this special exhibit that will highlight Merrimack's history through its artifacts. Frances and Nancy have curated books by MC authors including faculty across schools, alumni, and students. Be sure to visit this exhibition at McCoy Gallery. Shoutout to Frances for her work helping to make this exhibit a success.

Because We Believe: The 75 Year Exhibition | McCoy Gallery, Rogers Center for the Arts Where the Past Comes Alive. Experience the history of Merrimack through its artifacts from the past and celebrate our future together at this one-of-a-kind exhibition.

After June's gloomy start, I hope you all enjoy the summer weather!

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