Calendar of Events: Spring 2015

January 20: First Day of Classes
February 10: Research Strategies Workshop (Flower Mound)
February 11: Scholarly Articles Workshop (Flower Mound)
February 16: MLA and APA Citation Workshops (Gainesville)
February 17: MLA Citation Workshop (Flower Mound);
February 18: APA Citation Workshop (Flower Mound);
February 25: Chicago Citation Workshop (Flower Mound)
March 5: Brown Bag Book Review (Gainesville)
March 16-22: Spring Break
March 25: Open Book Club (Gainesville)
April 14: Research Strategies Workshop (Flower Mound)
April 15: Scholarly Articles Workshop (Flower Mound)
April 18: APA Citation Workshop (Flower Mound);
Open Book Club (Gainesville)
April 22: MLA Citation Workshop (Flower Mound);
Open Book Club (Gainesville)
May 7: Brown Bag Book Review (Gainesville)
May 13: Final Due Date—All materials due back to the library
May 14-15: Commencement

Service Spotlight: Interlibrary Loan

Do you need a book, article, or movie that the NCTC Library doesn’t own? Never fear, Interlibrary Loan is here! Interlibrary Loan (or ILL for short) is a service that allows you to get any book, journal article, CD, or DVD from another library in the United States. NCTC Libraries use the WorldCat database to look up and request the item that you want. Another library will then fulfill the request, and it will be sent to your campus library for checkout. For journal articles, you will often be sent a scanned PDF directly to your email address. Please keep in mind that ILL requests can take up to two weeks for delivery, and you cannot request textbooks. Contact your campus librarian for more information.

—Submitted by Michelle McLaughlin
Subject Spotlight: The Gothic

Poetry, Tales, and Selected Essays by Edgar Allan Poe [Literature] (Flower Mound) PS 2602 .P63 1996

The Moonstone by Wilkie Collins [Literature] (Bowie) PR 4494 .C64 M66 1969

Gothic Realities: The Impact of Horror Fiction on Modern Culture by Andrew L. Cooper [Literature] (EBSCOHost eBook Collection)


The Gothic Enterprise: A Guide to Understanding the Medieval Cathedral by Robert A. Scott [Art History] (EBSCOHost eBook Collection)

The Tell-Tale Heart [Movie] (Gainesville) PS 2618 .T45 2005 DVD

Mary Shelley’s Frankenstein [Movie] (Corinth) PN 1995.9 .H6 M37 1998 DVD


In Search of Dracula [Documentary] (Corinth) GR 830 .V3 I7 1999 DVD

—Submitted by Michelle McLaughlin

Staff Spotlight: Sabrina McKethan

Sabrina McKethan joined our NCTC team in April 2013 as the librarian on the Flower Mound campus. Originally from El Paso, Sabrina moved to the DFW area to attend college where she met and married her husband. She earned her MS in Library Science from UNT in 2010, and worked in the UNT library system for six and a half years. The Flower Mound campus library has flourished under Sabrina’s leadership and she considers it “an honor to work with the amazing students and faculty.” Sabrina and her husband reside in the Denton area where they are the parents of “the most amazing little boy on the planet.” Flower Mound folks, let Sabrina know where, when, and how she can help you!

— Submitted by Robin Studdard
Database Spotlight: Literature Resource Center

If you are taking or teaching any literature course at NCTC you will want to get to know Literature Resource Center (LRC) from Gale. LRC brings together well-regarded literary journals and magazines, full-text literary works, author biographies, literary criticism and more.

To get the most out of literature, you will need to investigate beyond the story itself. The author biographies provided in LRC can give you special insight into an author’s life and their motivations for writing. Expert literary criticism available in LRC will give you a richer analysis of themes, literary devices and historical issues reflected in literature. If you’re struggling to understand the plot of a story, it might be a good idea to check out the topic and work overviews in LRC—think of them as trust-worthy CliffNotes. Of course you still have to read the story!

— Submitted by Sabrina McKethan

Enter your search terms.

Search the record for an author’s name or the name of a literary work. Searching keywords searches all areas of the record. Searching for words in the entire document searches both the record and the text of the article.

If your research calls for scholarly or peer-reviewed publications, make sure to check this box!

Only change publication dates depend on what you choose below in content type. If you’re looking for literary works by your author, choose a date range they published in. If you need recent literary criticism, choose a more recent date. This is also helpful if you have two authors with the same name, but active in different decades.

Biographies: Learn more about your author and their lives.
Multimedia: Limit to articles with images, videos or audio files.
Reviews & News: Non-scholarly book reviews and news articles about your author or literary piece.
Literature Criticism: Literary analysis written by experts and scholars.
Primary Sources & Literary Works: Read the works themselves, not information about them.
Topic & Work Overviews: Get a general idea of what a work is about and its main themes.

Our favorite feature! ReadSpeaker in LRC will read the article to you.
Campus Update: Corinth

This year has been an exciting time for the Corinth Library. We began the Fall Semester with all brand new computers and increased the number of available computers from 11 to 14. At the circulation desk there is a Windows Surface tablet for looking up books, DVDs, and articles. We also have another Surface used for roving reference – if a student or faculty member needs assistance with research we will come to you, Surface in hand, ready to help you find what you need. And remember, the library is always buying new books – stop on by to see what's new, or ask your librarian for reading suggestions. Welcome back!

—Submitted by Michelle McLaughlin

New Books: Graduation

Graduation looms ahead... time to declare a major at a university or find a job in the real world. Do you know what you are meant to do? Your NCTC libraries have many resources to assist in this quest! Below is a sample of our very newest. As always, remember that you may request items from any campus. Come in and let us help you.

GAINESVILLE
Graduate to a Great Job by David DeLong
What You're Really Meant To Do by Robert Steven Kaplan

FLOWER MOUND
Fashion Careers Guidebook: A Guide to Every Career in the Fashion Industry and How to Get It by Julia Yates

CORINTH
Food Jobs: 150 Great Jobs for Culinary Students, Career Changers and Food Lovers by Irena Chalmers
Everything Guide to Careers in Health Care: Find the Job That's Right for You by Kathy Quan

BOWIE
Essentials of Business Etiquette: How to Greet, Eat, and Tweet Your Way to Success by Barbara Pachter & Denise Cowie
Careers in Health Information Technology by Brian T. Malec,

Self-promotion for Introverts: the Quiet Guide to Getting Ahead by Nancy Ancowitz

— Submitted by Robin Studdard
Find out what has been recently added to my campus library

We know that you want to be the first to hear about everything. So we’re sure you will appreciate this little known secret to find out what has recently been added to your campus library.

1. Start at the Library Catalog (nctc.sirsi.net).
2. Choose Power Search below the basic search bar.
3. Leave all fields blank on the next page, but make sure to choose your campus from the Location menu and sort by “New to Old.”
4. Click Search.

And now you have the inside scoop to what your campus library has been adding the collection!

—submitted by Sabrina McKethan

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