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FAQ

This month's FAQ is brought to you by our Library Staff

What can our library staff do for faculty?

The library offers many services for Faculty here at the college. These include:

Course Reserves: If a faculty member has a textbook which they would like to place on reserve for their students to use, they may do so with us. This will ensure the book stays in the library, and students have access to a copy without having to purchase one. In some cases, the library may have a copy or be able to purchase one for this purpose.

Classroom Visits: We are happy to visit your class and demonstrate how students can navigate library databases and website for their research needs. We cover how to construct a proper search, how to access different materials, how to access and use our Subject Guides, and proper citation in APA, MLA, Chicago style and more. You can also encourage your students to drop by the library for one-on-one research help with their assignments.

Professional Development Collection: We offer a special collection of material designated "professional development" for staff and faculty's benefit. Feel free to come in and browse our collection!

Purchase Request: Have a book that you'd like us to purchase? You can fill out a library purchase request in-person or online. We can't guarantee that we will purchase everything requested, but if you'd like to suggest something, please feel free!



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What is a Subject Guide?

Library "Subject Guides", also referred to as "Research Guides", are a collection of web pages accessible through the library website on various topics. Each college program has a guide, complete with web resources and links to our databases and journals relevant to that guide, making them excellent resources for students and staff alike. We also have guides on subjects like LGBT+pride, Indigenous matters, Open Access, and more. Explore our Guides today!

<https://stclaircollege.libguides.com>

What is Open Access?

Open Access is a movement in academic publishing designed to overcome limitations of paywalls and redistribute knowledge freely. Many academic publishers charge individuals and libraries high prices to access published research and scholarly material. This creates a barrier for individuals who don't have access to a subscribing library, or the funds to purchase access on their own. Open Access is the practice of publishing with "Open Access", meaning that an individual or institution doesn't need to pay to access the material.

For more information on Open Access, stay tuned for Open Access Week, October 21-27th, 2024!

What is Page 1+?

Page 1+ is the library's database, where users can access all library resources, both online and electronic. This is located on the library's website, as well as via the library's MyStClair tile. Users can find access to books, ebooks, online articles, videos, DVDs, and more.

For help navigating Page1+, visit our Page1+ guide at

<https://stclaircollege.libguides.com/searchpage1plus>, or contact library staff!

Please visit email our Library Staff with any questions you might have:

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