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Library Hours

Spring Semester
(January 31st - May 19th)

Sunday

3:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.

Monday-Thursday

7:30 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.

Friday

7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Douglass Notes

Director's Chair



Sharon D. Brooks
Acting Director of Library Services

Welcome to spring semester. We are glad to have students, staff and faculty back on campus. The library has been busy over the winter break with a myriad of activities. The library homepage has a new look to enhance access to library resources and services. Our staff have attended training on the operational aspects of librarianship. We have had our first LIBR100 Information Literacy course in Canvas, and there have been staff retirements.

This term, we look forward to providing both in-person research instructional classes and video recorded instruction for hybrid and online classes.

As we begin a new semester, the policies of wearing face masks and maintaining social distancing are still required in the library. This ensures the health and safety of all patrons and staff.

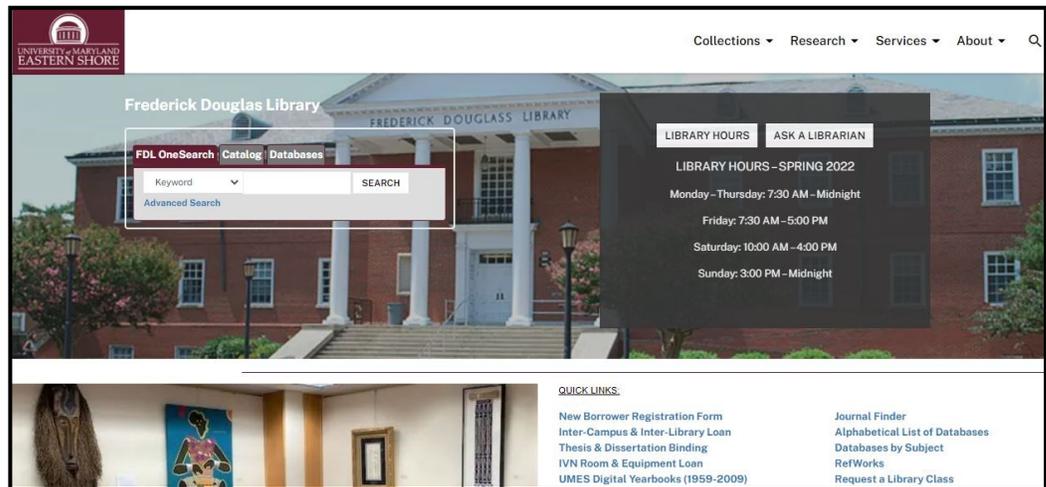
Have a safe and successful semester!

Required:

1. Face masks
2. Social distancing

Navigating the Library Website Redesign

The library is pleased to announce the redesign of its homepage. Content is now organized under four horizontal tabs along the top menu bar. The Collections tab links to each of the five library departments. The Research tab allows easy access to the catalog, databases, and research and citation guides. The Services tab links to course reserves in controlled digital lending and detailed information on Inter-Campus and Inter-Library Loan.



To improve the research experience, the landing page highlights a single search box - FDL OneSearch - that gives users the capability to search across media, including books (both physical and ebooks) and journal articles from many databases at the same time. Please note that ProQuest databases are not included. Results can be expanded or filtered to retrieve a subset; for example, full text and peer-reviewed articles, or all ebooks. FDL OneSearch also provides smartlinks to journals for which the library has a digital subscription. When the journal title is entered as a keyword, it will appear on the results page with a lightbulb icon that will link to the full text available in a database or on a publisher's website.

Another service that provides digital access to the library's full A-Z journal title list is Journal Finder found under Quick Links. Entering the title or ISSN of the journal will produce a list of vendors that provide access, as well as the type and dates of coverage. Database links can still be found in both the alphabetical and subject lists found under the Research tab or Quick Links. Please note that the 17 research guide pages that comprise Databases by Subject have been updated to include citation information and new e-resources.

We hope that this reorganization and streamlining of content will enhance navigation through the circulating, media, reference, serials, and special collections departments, as well as the library's many digital resources and services.

Degree Program:

Dawn Davis, Library Services Technician, started her second online semester at Central Carolina Community College towards her AAS degree in Library Science.

Library Retirements

The Frederick Douglass Library said goodbye to two long-time and valued employees in 2021.

Marvella Rounds

Ms. Rounds retired in June after 50 years of service in the library. She started her career as a library technician and after getting her Master's in Library Science, was a cataloger for many years before recently becoming Head of Reference. When asked what the library was like when she joined, Ms. Rounds explained that there were only four staff members, and the addition to the building had not yet been made. She has loved being a member of the library profession and has most enjoyed working with library staff.



Rena Finney

Ms. Finney retired in December. She worked at UMES for 32 years, 31 of which were in the library. She served on many committees and participated in various programs at the university, which made her proud to be a member of the UMES family.

Journal Finder: A-Z Journal Title List

Journal Search

Browse by subject Browse by provider

To determine whether the library has digital access to a specific journal, enter the journal title or ISSN into **Journal Finder** to retrieve a list of vendors who provide access, along with type and dates of coverage. Journal Finder is where the library's full A-Z journal list can be accessed. This feature also allows the user to search for journals by subject area (agriculture sciences, chemistry, etc.) and by provider. Selecting provider allows the user to see the full journal title list in EBSCO or ProQuest databases.

Please email refuser@umes.edu with any questions.

Committees, Presentations and Training:

UMES History Project (formerly Speaking Volumes)

UMES Back in the Day: Roundtable Discussion

April 29, 2021: Acting Director Sharon Brooks and Janet Eke presented along with other project members and student interns on the early life of UMES using the library archives.

UMES Back in the Day: Retention Survives WWII

November 11, 2021: Sharon Brooks and Janet Eke presented with other project members at a virtual session moderated by Dr. Cynthia Cravens on the impact WWII had on the college.

Innovations in Teaching & Learning Presentation

May 20-21, 2021: Joseph Bree was a presenter and provided tech support for this two-day virtual conference.

Open Forum Integrated Library System Training

July 12, 2021: Bonita Jones attended the USMAICOI Acquisitions training session.

Stress Management Workshop

August 12, 2021: Library staff attended a workshop by Dr. Malkia Johnson and Ms. Melanie Spence from the UMES Counseling Services.

Fall Faculty Institute Presentation

August 17, 2021: Joseph Bree presented an overview of library services at this one-day event.

IACUC Committee Appointment

October 11, 2021: Janet Eke was appointed to this committee as a non-natural sciences faculty member.

Maryland History and Culture Collaborative Meeting

October 26, 2021: Sharon Brooks presented with other historians and archivists on community archiving.

SLEDTECH Technology Workshop

October 28, 2021: Bonita Jones attended this technology training.

Scientists Center for Animal Welfare (SCAW) Training

November 16, 2021: Janet Eke attended a four-hour training session required for the IACUC Committee.

Access Services Conference

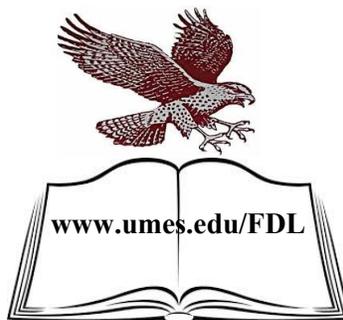
November 17-18, 2021: Joseph Bree attended this event hosted by the USMAI consortium on "Unlocking the 21st Century Library."

SFX Knowledgebase Training

January 11-14, 2022: Janet Eke completed USMAI training modules on the SFX link resolver, linking journal titles across platforms be they databases or publisher websites.

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