How Our Library is Meeting the Challenges of COVID-19

Virtual Services

The LETC Building may be closed, but we are here to support students’ coursework and research needs. Visit the EVC Online Library Support page! Students can request real time appointments with librarians via Zoom or email during our operating hours. They can also make textbook loan requests through our online form. Faculty can contact a librarian to schedule live Zoom orientations to teach students research skills, or ask for asynchronous support. Using SJECCD Secure Login, students, faculty & staff all have access to databases.

Curbside Services

Although we highly encourage use of electronic resources, we continue to provide access to our physical collection. After students receive confirmation of their approved loan requests, we arrange appointments for curbside pick-up. To minimize shared contact, our loan periods have been extended for the entire semester and we quarantine all returned items for everyone’s safety. We prepared 183 checkouts in the first week!

Questions about these services? Contact us!
Online Reference: librarian@evc.edu
Online Circulation: evc.circdesk@evc.edu
More info: www.evc.edu/library
CARES Act Funding

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act, signed into law March 27, 2020) enabled EVC to grant emergency financial aid directly to students affected by the pandemic. CARES funds will also enable the expansion of our electronic resources so that students sheltering in place can access support for their academic coursework. Nearly $20K of CARES funds, in combination with $10K allocated to us by the College Budget Committee in Spring 2020, will increase our eBook collection by approximately 200 titles and provide access to digital streaming services.

Special thanks to President Gilkerson for approving our CARES Act fund request to meet the sudden, increased need for e-resources which students can access 24/7.

Meet Our Team

Photos (from left to right):

Robbie Kunkel, Div. Dean of Library & Learning Resources, Adult Education, Dual Enrollment, & Strategic Initiatives
Judith Girardi, Librarian, Systems Librarian
Lorena Mata, Librarian, Library Coordinator, Budget Committee, Circulation
Heather Ott, Librarian, Digital Resources, Distance Education Committee
Thu Nguyen, Library Assistant, Tech. Services – Acquisitions, budget transfers, vendor contracts, timesheets, reporting
Christopher Ratto (not shown), Sr. Library Technician, Tech. Services – Cataloging, processing, repair, collection statistics
Maria Holguin, Sr. Library Technician, Circulation – Course reserves, programs liaison, circulation & visitor statistics
Sambo Mathew, Sr. Library Technician, Circulation – Student accounts, payments, notices, financial statistics
Cindy Snider, Library Technician, Circulation – Day & evening desk support, inventory, pickups/deliveries, donations
Debbie Chan, Library Technician, Circulation – Part time day & Saturday desk support, equipment maintenance, website

Welcome New Team Members, Robbie & Judy!
New eBooks Are Here! 📘
Here’s a reading list of current, relevant topics you might be interested in.

Excited for EBSCO? You’ll jump at these titles...
Click on a title. Login with your SSO (single sign-on) login & password if prompted.

- Healing Resistance: A Radically Different Response to Harm
- How to Be an Antiracist
- Race Matters, 25th Anniversary: With a New Introduction
- White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism

Look at What Gale eBooks Blew In! Breeze through this list...
Click on any title and access the eBook with your SSO (single sign-on) login & password.

- Voting and Political Representation in America: Issues and Trends
- Stereotypes: The Incidence and Impacts of Bias
- Racism in America: A Reference Handbook
- Environmental Racism in the United States and Canada: Seeking Justice and Sustainability
- Border Towns and Border Crossings: A History of the U.S.-Mexico Divide
- Punishing the Vulnerable: Discrimination in American Prisons
- American Prisons and Jails: An Encyclopedia of controversies
- Climate Change Politics and Policies in America: Historical and Modern Documents in Context
- Examining Energy and the Environment Around the World
- How Technology Is Changing Human Behavior: Issues and Benefits
- The #MeToo Movement

Problems with sign-on? Find help using Login Instructions to Library Account & Databases
“The vote is precious. It is the most powerful nonviolent tool we have in a democratic society, and we must use it.” – John Lewis

“If we don’t vote, we are ignoring history and giving away the future.” – Pat Mitchell

“Democracy is not a spectator sport.” – Marian Wright Edelman

★ Register Now ★ Vote Early ★ Get Involved ★ Stay Informed ★

➢ Visit the Library website for links to quickly get started with registration.
➢ Explore our libguide for current coverage of the U.S. Presidential Election 2020.

DID YOU KNOW that you were an unwitting participant in a small, random act of activism? Yes, you! While gathering voting information for you to view on our website, a library staff member found errors on our county’s Registrar of Voters site & Rockthevote.org. Both sites posted registration deadline dates after the official state deadline. Corrections were immediately requested & have been made. This discovery may have saved people from having to register in person for their provisional ballot during a pandemic. But don’t stop your activism yet!...

See EVC Votes website for info about events, organizations & your impact.

What’s Ahead for the Spring Issue:

• Peeks at the new digital streaming databases
• Highlights of our upcoming virtual displays

Thank you for reading!