Are You Ready for a New Academic Year?

We have your back!

The mission of our library is to deliver quality resources and services to help our students succeed. This includes helping and supporting both students and instructors throughout the year in many innovative ways.

**For students** we offer a good collection of books & eBooks, research databases, textbooks on reserve, reference help both in-person and via 24/7 chat, drop-in workshops, for-credit classes (LIS 11 and 126), instructional videos and a Research Paper Learning Module on the web, a 1st floor charging station with relaxed seating, group study rooms, and quiet places to study when you need it.

**For instructors** we offer research and curriculum support, access to scholarly and academic resources, library instruction for your classes, assignment consultations, course reserves, Canvas-integrated library resources and more.

We hope everyone has a great semester and academic year! We are here to provide all the resources and services you need to succeed. Remember, we have your back!

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**News & Events**

**Laptop and Wi-Fi to Go**

We are proud to announce that we were awarded a Student Equity Grant to purchase laptops and Wi-Fi hotspots for students to check out! Student Equity funds are used to help students who are underserved, such as low-income students, minority groups, and special groups like veterans or foster youth, by giving them access to more services. We hope these laptops and hotspots will give students more freedom and time to complete schoolwork. This new service will be available some time in Fall 2016 at the Main Campus, Chico Center, and Glenn Center. We will announce the date when it becomes available!

**Library Prize for Undergraduate Research**

For the first time, we are offering a Library Prize for Undergraduate Research! First place winner will be awarded $250 and runner-up $100. A reception will be held during National Library Week in April for the winners. If you have done a great research project, submit it for the competition! For more information, please go to our website > News & Events > Library Prize

**Come See What’s in the Library**

✦ **Banned Books Week**

Let’s celebrate freedom of speech and promote awareness of challenges to library books and materials during the week of Sept. 26-30, 2016.

✦ **Book Displays**

We have themed book displays throughout the semester, such as Pop Culture, From Books to Movies, Learn a Craft, and more! Explore new genres and read books for fun and enrichment!

✦ **Library Workshops**

Attend a drop-in workshop to brush up your research skills! Students may get extra credit from instructors. Instructors can earn Flex hour by attending. Check out workshop schedules at our website > Workshops
Resources Highlights

We are excited to introduce two newly added electronic resources that can be accessed from the Library’s Database page.

**Academic Videos Online**

You can now access over 56,000 academic streaming videos anytime anywhere! The Alexander Street Academic Video collection covers a great variety of subjects from American Studies to Social Sciences. Instructors can use them for viewing in the class to enhance course content, as home learning material for flipped classroom, as assignment elements, or use them in other creative ways to enrich curriculum and strengthen students’ engagement. Students can use videos for learning and research. Videos even come with citations in MLA, APA, and Chicago styles!

**Mango Languages**

Mango Languages is an online language-learning tool that offers over 70 languages! Mango teaches in a conversational, intuitive style that also gives an exact translation for each word. Language instructors can use this program to supplement course content and oversee students’ learning activities. It is also a great resource for study abroad, cultural and diversity programs, or for any language enthusiasts. Want to learn a new language? Try it out and create a personal account to track your progress!

Talk to a librarian if you have questions about these exciting resources.

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**Staff on the Move**

**Retirement**

Dr. Luozhu Cen, Dean of Student Learning and Library Services, retired at the end of July, 2016. Luozhu joined Butte College as an associate Reference Librarian in 1996 and accepted the full-time Reference Librarian position in 1999. A few years after that, she assumed the position of the Director of Library Services and then became Associate Dean and Dean of Student Learning and Library Services respectively. We greatly appreciate her dedication, leadership, and support for Butte College Library. Butte College Library services at the main campus and the two satellite campuses in Chico and Orland have undergone tremendous expansion and improvement over the past decade or so under Dean Cen’s management. It is sad to see her go but we are also happy for her that she will be able to spend more time with her family, especially her granddaughter. Happy retirement, Luozhu!

**Interim Dean of Student Learning and Library Services**

Dr. Cheryl Babler is the interim Dean of Student Learning and Library Services while a national search is conducted for a permanent dean. Welcome aboard, Dr. Babler!

**New Full-time Librarian**

Tia Germar was hired as our new full-time librarian in April 2016. Tia is not a new face in our library as she has been working with us as an associate librarian since 2012. Tia’s major roles include reference, teaching, and collection development. She can be found at the Library Reference Desk or her office at LB 302.

**Getting to Know Our Staff**

Rachel Arteaga, our associate librarian, has loved libraries since the age of 6, when she applied for her first library card. She has interned and worked at various libraries including the Library of Congress, Chico State’s Meriam Library, and most recently Butte College Library. Rachel received her BA and MA in English from Chico State in 2006, and 2009 respectively. In 2011, she graduated with an MLIS from San Jose State. Her interests include British history, food vacations, and DIY.
The Year in Review
Recaps of 2015-2016 Accomplishments & Events

Grants Received: The librarians have applied and received grants for some of our projects. We received a grant of $10,000 from Student Equity for a pilot project – Laptop & Wi-Fi To Go for underprivileged students. We also received grant funding from Associated Students, $588 for Banned Books Week and $400 for De-stress Zone at the Chico Center.

Charging Station: In January 2016, we set up a charging station with couches and tables on the first floor of the library to allow students to charge their devices while doing homework. It has become a popular spot in the library.

Campus Event Participation: To connect with students and promote library services, library staff staffed a table to participate in campus events, such as Spirit Day and Spring Spectacular.

Banned Books Week: We raised awareness of frequently banned and challenged books with displays in the library providing information and the history of challenged and banned books.

Book Displays: We started doing book displays at both the Main Campus Library and Chico Center Library to encourage patrons to check out our wide range of books. Our most recent displays include books about diversity and science fiction & fantasy.

National Library Week: Libraries Transform was the theme for 2016. Twenty students were awarded prizes for either submitting well-written book recommendations or for correctly guessing all three books in our Book in a Jar contest.

De-Stress Zone: To help reduce stress and encourage students to take a much needed study break during finals time, the library provided stress relief activities such as coloring, games, and puzzles. We also provided free candy, stickers, and study supplies. Students loved to color, do puzzles and origami. As one student wrote in the comment book, “Thank you for the De-Stress Zone!!! The multitude of stressed out students appreciate it!”

Shelf Talk Forum - During the Spring semester we held a forum/flex opportunity for faculty to meet their library liaisons, learn about our collection development procedures, and discover new and exciting databases and library resources.

Collection Development: Currently we have over 70,000 books & 45,000 eBooks. We added 1,972 new books in 2015-2016. During the summer, the librarians worked on a project to "weed" out books we no longer need in the library to keep the collection relevant to our users and to make room for new books.

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