The Library Is Not Just About Books

The library welcomes you to a new academic year!
The beginning of a new semester can be overwhelming. Remember, the library team is committed to providing information resources and services that meet your learning or teaching needs.

The library offers much more than books! Our services and resources are no longer confined within the walls of the library. We offer research consultations (in person, email, phone, 24/7 live chat), library instruction (classroom visit, online videos), computers (inside the library, laptops & Wi-Fi to take home), online research databases, DVDs & streaming videos, print books, eBooks, and more.

Whether you are new or returning students, faculty, or staff, we have something for you. Don’t hesitate to contact us for your information needs!

News & Events

Laptop and Wi-Fi to Go
We are now offering laptops and Wi-Fi hotspots for 7 day checkouts at the Main Campus and Chico Center. Stay tuned for expanded service to Glenn Center.

Smart Group Study Rooms at Chico Center Library
All of the study rooms at the Chico Center Library will be equipped with Smart classroom technologies that allows students to prepare for class presentations. Call 879-4366 for room reservation.

Library Prize
The next award will be decided in Spring 2018. Students are encouraged to turn in research papers from the Spring 2017 or Fall 2017 Semester along with a reflective essay on their research process. Come to the library for an application or check out the News & Events section of butte.edu/library.

Library Survey

We want to thank everyone who participated in our campus-wide Library Survey conducted in Spring 2017. We had over 500 responses and the results were overwhelmingly positive.

♦ The majority of you rated our services and resources as either “excellent” or “good”.
♦ Most respondents were confident in their ability to use our databases and book catalog.
♦ We also got many great comments and lots of suggestions.

Our goal is to improve your library experience and this survey will help us do that!
Collection Development
We have around 70,000 print books in the library and our goal is to keep the collection as updated and relevant as we can for you. We continually purchase new books all year long. Check out the New Books shelf near the Circulation Desk in the Main Campus Library and see some of the new titles that come in. We also occasionally discard older, outdated, and worn books. This makes room for new books on our shelves. If you have suggestions for new books we should get or questions about older books we have discarded, please ask your librarian. We’re happy to help!

Resources Highlights
LIS Courses
If you want to
♦ improve your information research skills
♦ effectively search the Internet, research databases, and the library book catalog
♦ do successful research for term papers or class assignments
♦ critically evaluate the information you encounter
LIS 11 (Research Strategies) and/or LIS 126 (Library and Research Skills) can help!
Both are 1-credit classes and start in October. Sign up now to gain skills for lifelong learning!

eBooks
Do you know that the Butte College Library has over 40,000 eBooks that you can read from cover to cover on a computer or mobile device? We have 3 eBook collections:
♦ EBSCOhost eBooks – over 28,000 eBooks in various subject areas, available to view online or checkout to read offline.
♦ Springer eBooks – over 7,000 eBooks published from 2010 to current, including scholarly books, reference works, and books primarily in the sciences. You can download individual chapters or even an entire book.
♦ Gale Virtual Reference – over 1,000 reference sources in various subject areas, including encyclopedias, subject dictionaries, literary biographies, and more. This is an excellent resource for definition and background information of a concept or topic.

Staff on the Move
New Dean of Instruction
We welcome Dr. Carrie Monlux as the new Dean of Instruction! With 26 years of teaching experience, Carrie is known for her ability to foster strong community partnership. She oversees Library Services, Foreign Languages, Sociocultural Studies, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Study Abroad, and Technology Mediated Instruction.

New Library Technician at the Chico Center Library
Ian Allen is another new member that recently joined the library team. Ian is our new library technician who works at the Chico Center Library in the evening. Ian has received numerous academic awards, has years of experience working in libraries, and he enjoys working with a diverse population. Welcome aboard!
The Year in Review
Recaps of 2016-2017 Accomplishments & Events

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

Book Displays: The library created 4 new book displays:
- From Page to Screen
- Blind Date with a Book
- Crafts and DIY
- Pop Culture
The most popular display, Blind Date with a Book, allowed students to preview a wrapped book with a mysterious and flirtatious message. If interested, students could check the book out, unwrap it, and proceed with their date.

De-Stress Zone: The library De-Stress Zone continues to be a success by offering students study supplies and fun activities during finals. Look forward to new activities during the coming year.

Laptop & Wi-Fi to Go: Midway through the Spring Semester, the library started its Laptop & Wi-Fi to Go project, funded by Student Equity, that allows students to borrow laptops and hotspot devices to work on coursework at home. This new project was much appreciated and valued by students.

Library Prize: The library awarded its first annual Library Prize for Student Research. Olivia Dion won 1st place ($250) and Stephen Jaworski won 2nd place ($100).

National Library Week: Thank you for celebrating National Library Week with us! 10 students won gift cards to the bookstore for participating in the Book Recommendation activity.

New Resources: We added three new excellent resources to our database collection:
- Alexander Street’s Academic Streaming Video Online – over 65,000 academic streaming videos for research, presentation, or teaching.
- Mango Languages – a fun-to-learn language learning program that offers over 70 languages, including programs for ESL learners.
- Statista – over one million statistics and facts from industry to society.

In addition, 2048 new print books and eBooks were added to our collections.

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