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From the Dean, Larry Boyer

For many of us here at Joyner Library, September is Literary Homecoming month. For the sixth year in a row, we will be providing an opportunity for Eastern North Carolina writers and artists—some of whom have had to leave our region to achieve success-- to meet with the community to share their thoughts on creativity and the life of the mind. If you were unable to get a football ticket or just don't care about the pigskin contest at Dowdy-Ficklin Stadium, let me invite you to join us for the [Sixth Eastern North Carolina Literary Homecoming](#).

Readings, performances, panel discussions, and workshops are on the schedule. This year's Homecoming features writers and poets Lenard Moore, Sammart Williams, Alan Gurganus, Robert Inman, and Alison Hedge Coke. Activities start this Friday evening (9/25) and continue through the day on Saturday, closing with a performance by the Coastal Cohorts. Events take place in Joyner Library or the Mendenhall Student Center. Look for more details in this newsletter and our [Library website](#). I hope to see you there!

Library Hours

Sunday
12 noon-2:00 a.m.

Monday-Thursday
7:30 a.m.-2:00 a.m.

Friday
7:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Saturday
10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

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Music Library Named Top Scorer in National Study

JY Joyner Library's [Music Library](#) was recently named the top scoring reference service provider among the music libraries participating in the Wisconsin-Ohio Reference Evaluation Program (WOREP). The WOREP was developed in the 1980's by librarians at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and Ohio State University, and the Music Library Association. By gathering feedback from both the patron and the library employee assisting them with their query, the study provides valid and reliable data on a library's effectiveness in answering reference questions. In roughly 25 years since the study began,

a total of 134 libraries (including 20 music libraries) in the United States and Canada have participated.

The Music Library received its top scoring distinction because 91% of the library patrons surveyed indicated library staff members helped them find exactly what they wanted. This satisfaction rating exceeded the previous high scoring music library by 4%, and was well above the

average of 59% for all participating libraries. In addition, Joyner's Music Library employees demonstrated effective use of teachable moments that so often accompanies an academic library reference transaction. Ninety-one percent of patrons surveyed indicated they learned something new about reference sources or use of the library during the course of their interaction. This score was an impressive 10% above the average music library score of 81%. Courtesy also seems to be a strong suit of ECU Music Library staff members—no patrons reported that library staff members were even somewhat discourteous.

FACULTEA

10/15/09 3:30-5:00

Come to the Library for the first FaculTea of the 09-10 year.

Presenter:

Dr. Siddhartha Mitra
Assistant Professor
Dept of Geological Sciences

Topic:

"Why are the Contents of our Medicine Cabinets Turning up in our Waterways?"

[RSVP](#) by October 8, 2009

Distance Education Services



Joyner Library provides a wide variety of resources and services for ECU faculty members and instructors teaching distance education courses.

These services are uniquely designed to enhance the effectiveness of teaching and learning within the distance education community.

Faculty services include:

- course integrated library instruction options,
- creation of library instructional materials,

- and electronic course reserves; all of which can be integrated into Blackboard or other course management software.

Students enrolled distance education courses receive:

- assistance with library research,
- access to full-text databases and e-books,
- delivery of print materials not available online,
- educational tutorials,
- and the right to visit all

UNC system libraries and borrow materials.

For more information about Joyner Library's [Distance Education services](#), visit the website or contact **Angela Whitehurst**, Distance Education Coordinator by [email](#) or call (252) 328-0723. When requesting DE instructional services, please allow two weeks notice for preparation.

Library Instruction

Sessions are taught by librarians who tailor the content for the specific assignment, says Amy Gustavson, Instructional Services Coordinator.

Joyner Library offers [instruction sessions](#) for undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral classes on how to do library research. ECU faculty members and instructors may request course-related library instruction for their classes.

These sessions are taught by librarians who tailor the content for the specific class assignment and the students' research needs.

Library sessions can include:

- Library's catalog,

- 300+ subscription databases
- Effective search strategies,
- Evaluating sources

For more information, and to schedule a class, go to our [Instruction Request Form](#).

The instruction calendar fills up quickly, so request a class early. Please allow two weeks preparation time for librarians.

For questions, contact Amy Gustavson by [email](#) or call 252-328-0295.

"While my student days have long since passed, I have always found university libraries to be great places in which to focus and gain clarity. Since arriving at ECU, I have utilized [Joyner Library](#) this way on several occasions. Great for problem solving and planning!"



Michael Dowdy
Vice Chancellor,
University Advancement



Upcoming Library Events

9/25/09 ENCLHC
7:00pm -Mendhenhall Student Center
8:30am - Joyner Library

9/29/09 Banned Books Presentation
Speaker: Dr. John Harer
"Banned in the USA: Stories of Banned Book Week"

10/15/09 FaculTea
Presenter: Dr. Siddhartha Mitra
"Why are the Contents of our Medicine Cabinets Turning up in our Waterways?"
[RSVP](#) by 10/8/09

Sixth Eastern North Carolina Literary Homecoming

ECU will celebrate literary traditions September 25 and 26. The [Literary Homecoming](#), now in its sixth year, will offer interactive workshops in addition to panel presentations.

The 2009 homecoming will bring people "back to the book" as participants will engage in activities that

merge, challenge, and blur the line between what is seen and what is read. This year, award-winning writers rooted in the history, literature, and culture of eastern NC will share their work and their experiences with homecoming participants.

For schedule of events and to

register,

[Click here](#)

or call 252-328-6514

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Grant Awarded - Digital Collections

This project will revolutionize the study of North Carolina's past," says Maury York, assistant director for special collections. "Scholars, local historians, and students at all levels will have ready access to rich resources that pertain to many fields—collections, education, health care, labor, public works, and much more."

The "Ensuring Democracy through Digital Access," a two-year grant, will allow Joyner Library, the State Library of North Carolina (SLNC), and the University of North Carolina Library at Chapel Hill to digitize state documents along with printed volumes from the three partner libraries, the N.C. Supreme Court Library and the N.C. Legislative Library. When the project is completed, users worldwide will have access to complete runs of session laws, legislative journals, and reports of such important agencies as the Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Depart-

ment of Public Instruction. A total of 775,000 pages (approximately 2,300 volumes) will be digitized over the course of the two years by UNC-CH in cooperation with Open Content Alliance. In the second year, Joyner Library will lead a workshop in which area educators will use the NC Standard Course of Study to develop educational activities that will further enhance classroom learning. The materials will then be added to the collection website in a special educator portal. In addition, ECU will promote the finished product at several conferences.



The grant, "Ensuring Democracy through Digital Access," is made possible by funding from the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) as administered by the State Library of NC, a division of the Department of Cultural Resources.

Recognizing Joyner Faculty & Staff



[Whitehurst, Angela P.](#), and [Carolyn N. Willis](#). "Building Collaborative Reference and Instructional Services for Distance Education Students." the Southeastern Librarian 57 no.1 (Spring 2009): 20-28.

[Jacquelyn Erdman](#), for book *Library Web Ecology: What you need to know as web design coordinator* published in May 2009 by Chandos Publishing Oxford.

[Bryna Coonin](#) on her selection as this year's recipient of the Marilyn Miller Award for Professional Commitment sponsored by the NCLA Women's Issues in Libraries Roundtable. The award will be given at the NCLA conference which will be held October 7 in Greenville, NC.

Congratulations!

**Support the
Library by
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Joyner
Library
today!**

Review of Services

Research Consultation

ECU faculty, staff, or students may request a free 30 minute, one-on-one research consultation with a librarian or library assistant. This service is available to both on-campus and distance education students. Popular topics include:

- Navigating the library's webpage
- Assistance with identifying and utilizing appropriate information resources
- Preparation for class assignments, papers, and presentations
- Assistance with research for theses or dissertations

To request a research consultation, fill out our [Research Consultation Form](#). Contact Amy Gustavson by [email](#) or call 252-328-0295 with questions.

InterLibrary Loan

ILL funding has been restored for faculty members (including for international...faculty only)

- Document Delivery for faculty and graduate students is available and free.
- Pull & Hold remains a free option for all patrons.

Video Conferencing

Don't "fall" back into your old traveling ways. Have your face-to-face meetings videoconference. Put your best face forward, show the world what you like in high definition. Contact Ken Harbit by [email](#) or call 252-328-1404.

