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We publish *INSIDE The CU Libraries* weekly, when classes are in session. Here we share information about our services and resources with the campus community. Current and back issues are available online through the NEWS link on the *Libraries' homepage*.

EBSCO Discovery Service

Fast, simple, powerful – these are some of the adjectives used to describe EBSCO Discovery Service.

The Webpage for the <u>University Libraries</u> features a search box that conducts searches across many of the information resources available through the libraries – books, e-books, articles, video, indexing and abstracting databases, and much more.



If an item is available in electronic full-text form, a link in the search results will lead you to it.

If we do not have the resources in our collections (or available electronically), links appear for you to request books through the **E-ZBorrow** InterLbrary Loan service. Articles and other items can be requested through the **ILLiad** InterLbrary Loan service.

EBSCO Discovery's default setting is to search by keywords. If you would like to focus your inquiry by author or title, you can do that too. Other options include limits to resources that are electronic "Full Text," "Peer Reviewed" articles, and items available only in our local collections (not requiring InterLbrary Loan requests).

The "Catalog Only" option limits search results to books, videos, and other resources that were traditionally located through the PILOT Online Catalog. Results include shelf locations and call numbers specific

Search the Libraries' online catalog

Databases A-Z

Search the Libraries'
extensive collection of
electronic journals and ebooks

Contact Us

Dr. Terry Latour Dean of Libraries to Carlson and Suhr Libraries. Journal articles and database content are excluded from this type of search.

EBSCO Discovery Service searches a wide range of information resources and may produce unintended results beyond the scope of what you want. More sophisticated researchers with focused topics may find it useful to conduct searches in subject-oriented databases like CINAHL, PsycARTICLES, Mergent's Financial Information Online, and others.

If you have questions, or would like additional information, please contact a reference librarian. Call Carlson Library at 814-393-2490. Call Suhr Library (Venango College) at 814-393-1242 or 814-676-6591 extension 1242. Virtual Campus/Distance Education faculty and students may use the special toll-free number, 866-272-5612 (Press 5 for Library), provided just for you. You may also contact us through our *Ask a Librarian* Webpage.

Textbooks



Contrary to what you may have heard, Carlson and Suhr Libraries do not have copies of textbooks (print or electronic) for courses taught at the University. As you know, textbooks are expensive and change frequently. Academic libraries seldom have traditional types of textbooks for those reasons.

Occasionally, a faculty member will place a print copy of a textbook "on reserve" in the library as a supplement to other course readings. You may check at the Circulation

Desk to see if that is the case.

Academic libraries do not request or lend textbooks through the InterLibrary Loan service for the same reasons. Few libraries have them, and those that do will seldom loan them.

If a professor assigns a novel or other type of regular book as supplementary reading for a course and you borrow it through Interlibrary Loan, please be aware that you usually cannot keep it for the entire semester. The lending library will probably want it back before the end of the semester. If you do not return it to the library, you may be liable for hefty fines.

We wish that we could help. However, the libraries do not have the funds available to purchase or license copies of *all* the textbooks adopted for use, let alone a copy for everyone.

Student Tip - Great Study Spaces



Carlson and Suhr Libraries are great places to study. They have comfortable seating, plenty of desktop and laptop computers, as well as iPads, available for use.

At Suhr on the Venango College Campus, you can borrow a laptop for out-of-the-

library and overnight use. Both libraries are wireless zones, if you have your own computer or other electronic device.

Carlson library has group study rooms on three floors and quiet study spaces on Levels 2 & 3. If you need help locating or understanding information resources, reference librarians are available to assist you.

The S.W.A.T. Minion's Tip: We Are S.W.A.T.



Got technology? WE DO!

Meet **S.W.A.T.** (**S**tudents **W**ho **A**ssist [with] **T**echnology) at Carlson Library!

Located on Level A, the **S.W.A.T. Team** is staffed by students with the knowledge and resources to help with a variety of issues encountered in the Libraries' computer labs.

As students, ourselves, we experience many of the same challenges as you...

- How do I print at the Library?
- How do I print a two-sided document?
- Can I scan a document or photo?
- How do I connect my phone, tablet, or laptop to the campus Wi-Fi?
- Who can help me format a Word document?
- What's the best way to design a brochure?
- How do I make an Excel Chart?
- Where can I make a photocopy?
- Why can't I log in to the computers?
- I forgot my password...what now!?
- How do I get more "Eagle Dollars?"
- The printer has a paper jam...who do I call on?

Call on **S.W.A.T.** for these – and other – issues!

Don't let technology discourage you...allow the **S.W.A.T. Team** to work with you to find a solution to your dilemma. We make every effort to resolve your computer issues. If we don't know the answer, we have the skill and ability to find a solution.

S.W.A.T. is the answer. Now...what's *your* question?

Cranial Candy:Word OfTheWeek



hydra

PRONUNCIATION:

(HY-druh)



MEANING:

noun: A persistent or multifaceted problem that presents a new obstacle

when a part of it is solved.

ETYMOLOGY:

After the many-headed monster Hydra in Greek mythology. When its one head was cut off, it sprouted two more. It was ultimately slain by Hercules. From Latin Hydra, from Greek Hudra (water snake). Ultimately from the Indo-European root wed- (water, wet), which also gave us water, wash, winter, hydrant, redundant, otter, and vodka. Earliest documented use: 1374.

USAGE:

"Roosevelt's ships and men were drowning in the Pacific, fighting a hydra that formed and reformed in successive island jungles."

Francine Mathews; Too Bad to Die; Riverhead Books; 2015.

Although we do not "repair" computers, the **S.W.A.T. Team** (the **S**tudents **W**ho **A**ssist [with] **T**echnology) on Level A of Carlson Library is always happy to help.

Having an issue? Let us take a *swat* at it!

Something To Think About:



Never think that war, no matter how necessary, nor how justified, is not a crime. Ask the infantry and ask the dead.

> ~ Ernest Hemingway, author and journalist, Nobel laureate (21 Jul 1899-1961)