Library resources, means of access and explanation of usage

Physical library facilities:

Presently, the college library occupies a space of two rooms, one mainly dedicated to maintaining the reference section and reference services, the second – for the circulation and quite study room. The print collection exceeds 2400 volumes. It undergoes an aggressive de-selection and development process, in the course of which the outdated resources are replaced by the newest in all major areas, as reflected in the courses' curricula. Two PC working stations in the quite study room are dedicated exclusively for the library research. Besides, the adjacent computer lab is equipped with the two dozen of state-of-the-art PCs that are constantly used for the library research.

ECL Library Resources comprise both printed collection and electronic media. For the print material, the Library Catalog contains 2454 separate entries, including the books in Reference, Circulation, and Curriculum Sections. This collection is constantly being updated and expanded to remove outdated and add the newly published materials

(see the Library Policy on De-selection - Weeding). The Catalog is available as a Word file (under the name *ECL Library Book Catalog – July 2014 – Master File*) on the Librarian Computer, and at www.elyonlibrary.org on World Wide Web. Access to the Catalog listings is free. Entries of the electronic version of the Catalog are searchable by the title, author, key word and subject. All of the entries give the following information on the listed item: Author, Title, Subject, Category (i.e. Reference), Format (i.e. Book), Publisher, Place of Publication, Year of Publication, LOC (Library of Congress) Classification Number, and Key Words.

ECL Library main webpage also contains the following tabs:
- Online Resources
- Articles and E-Books from Databases
- Selected Articles from the New York Review of Books
- Elyon College LibGuides
- Library Hours and Location

The full description of the databases offered is below (Appendix 1).

ECL Library Home Page also provides links to the documents pertaining to Library Activities, its Policies & Procedures:
- Elyon College Copyright Policy
- ALA-Bill-of-Rights

- ALA-Code-of-Ethics
- Collection Development
- Information Literacy Policies
- Library Regulations
- Library Services
- Library Students Evaluation
- Weeding Policy
- Resources and Means of Access
- Rules of Conduct
- Book Acquisition Suggestion & Request Form

On the same page the Library provides a link to Resources for the Faculty Professional Development and Instructions on how to use Ask-a-Librarian Service

ELYON COLLEGE LIBRARY RESOURCES AND SERVICES

Elyon College library estimated total of volumes available full-text is close to half a million titles. The three PC work stations in the library meet current students' needs and connect them with the world-wide web resources, specifically selected by the library faculty. The state of the art computer lab provides the students with the tools for research and utilization of their library needs. WiFi is also available to Elyon students; they are able to use their own and college laptops to access the electronic library.

Currently Elyon College offers a majority of courses online, therefore making the Library resources available to distant learners has become one of our priorities. While the print collection of the Elyon College Library is limited to 2454 titles, it adequately addresses the demands and scope of the current academic currcula, serving a student population of approximately 50 students for the 2024-2025 academic year.

The Brooklyn Public Library has branches throughout every community including near Elyon College. These branches are accessible by walking to virtually every student enrolled. To conclude, Elyon College Library has the adequate resources, which enables the students to successfully complete their studies.

The Elyon College library resources and holdings are adequate to offer library services to current student enrollment of approximately 50, FTE's. Library resources include a core reference collection of more than 200 volumes; a circulating collection of more than 2200 curriculum centered titles. The virtual library includes access to 39 million database records of periodical resources on education, religion, especially Jewish studies, business/economics, computers & information technology, history and humanities, social and behavioral science. An accessible at no cost over 60,000 Judaic full title books are searchable and categorized by title, author, and subject through Hebrew Books.org free of charge.

The use of library resources is incorporated into the course work across the curriculum. Referring to the ALA® "Guidelines for University Library Services to Undergraduate Students", the Elyon College Library budget was developed with consideration for annual development to maintain collections and resources that are sufficient in depth and breadth to support the mission of the College and each registered curriculum.

The library facilities are available during the hours of 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Thursday, which provide students with extended periods of library use beyond the instructional time. The librarian with a rich experience in working in academic setting, provides reference services.

The Library has ample reading and study space in two adjoining rooms as well as an all purpose room on a lower floor. All classrooms not in use at class time are designated group or quiet study space available for student use.

The students, faculty and staff of Elyon College have an access to all databases, provided through the Brooklyn, Manhattan, and Queens Public Library. These libraries offer a vast array of online articles from databases of general interest and academic values.

Elyon College Library developed information competency standards and the accompanying indicators of success as desired student outcomes based on ACRL standards. Elyon College faculty understand the critical importance of student information literacy skills and technological

fluencies referred to in the ACRL® statement on "Information Literacy Competency Standards for Higher Education" and use this as a guide to formulate initial /basic instructional models and assessment tools. Students' reading assignments include a library component. Subject specific information literacy instruction articulates the relationships with the specific learning standards for each discipline within the Colleges' a course offerings.

BOOKS ONLINE

EBSCO eBooks Collection, through paid subscription

(Catalog Access and/or Free Texts)

<u>JUDAICA</u>

Judaica Libraries/Archives/Research Centers
(Judaica Libraries from Across the World)
http://www.princeton.edu/~pressman/libjew.htm

Judaica Libraries and Archives on the Web
http://www.bibliomaven.com/

HebrewBooks. Org / Ryzman Edition
51, 719 Classical Hebrew Books for Free Download as of December 2014
http://www.hebrewbooks.org/?gclid=CKPmv-jmyrQCFUQw4AodNC8AOQ

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This resource is useful mostly for the liberal arts assignments.

http://www.gutenberg.org/

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http://www.nap.edu/

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Resources on Industry and Commerce – over 22 000 volumes total

http://www.hathitrust.org/

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The database contains, among others, books on: Commerce (24,084 items); Electronic commerce (1,635 items); Accounting (14,929 items); Information technology (4,738 items).

http://openlibrary.org/ - needs individual registration

Free-Ebooks
https://www.free-ebooks.net/ - needs individual registration

REFERENCE SOURCES

Census.gov
Range of demographic information from the United States Census
http://www.census.gov/

Encyclopedia Americana
A general encyclopedia with over 45,000 articles, which include links to bibliographies, selected full-text articles, web links, and information on worldwide current events.
http://misc.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/remote/login.aspx?res=grolea

(To use from remote location, please, register with the Brooklyn PL through the Elyon College Library)

Encyclopedia Britannica
Electronic version of the Encyclopedia Britannica.
http://misc.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/remote/login.aspx?res=ple

(To use from remote location, please, register with the Brooklyn PL through the Elyon College Library)

Encyclopedia Judaica
The latest version of the classic reference source.
http://misc.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/remote/login.aspx?res=enj

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Gale Virtual Reference Library
Cengage reference ebooks, which can be searched simultaneously or individually. Topics include biography, business, fashion, history, law, literature, medicine, religion, science, and social science.

Grolier Multimedia Encyclopedia
The Grolier Multimedia Encyclopedia includes encyclopedia articles, news, timelines, quizzes and games, and research starters. It also includes an atlas and a dictionary.

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES FROM ONLINE DATABASES

Brooklyn Daily Eagle Online

Brooklyn 's premier newspaper from 1841 to 1955. Every issue of the Brooklyn Daily Eagle from October 26, 1841 to December 31, 1902 is now available online, offering an exciting resource for students, teachers, historians, genealogists, or anyone interested in Brooklyn and American history.

Gannett Newsstand Complete

This database's detailed indexing helps users quickly find the news information they need. The indexing covers not only complete bibliographic information but also companies, people, products, etc.

InfoTrac Newsstand

Full-text database consisting of several New York State newspapers as well as over 1,000 major regional, national, and local newspapers from other parts of the United States.

National Newspaper Index

Index of The New York Times, Wall Street Journal, The Christian Science Monitor, Los Angeles Times, and The Washington Post.

New York State Newspapers

Selected coverage of major and local New York State newspapers. Includes the New York Observer, the New York Post and Newsday.

New York Times

Full text articles from the following: The New York Times: Late Edition (East Coast) from 1980 to the present, The New York Times Book Review from 1997 to the present, and The New York Times Magazine from 1997 to the present.

JOURNAL ARTICLES FROM ONLINE DATABASES

GENERAL

Education Full-Text, EBSCO, through subscription

Humanities International Complete, EBSCO, through subscription

Academic OneFile

Contains peer-reviewed, full-text articles from the world's leading journals and reference sources.
http://go.galegroup.com/ps/i.do?v=2.1&u=nysl_me_bpl_cent&pg=BasicSearch&it=static&p=AONE&sw=w

Academic Search Premier

Full text articles from academic journals covering all major areas of study including: social sciences, humanities, education, computer sciences, engineering, physics, chemistry, language and linguistics, arts & literature, medical sciences, ethnic studies, and more.

http://misc.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/remote/login.aspx?res=asp

(To use from remote location, please, register with the Brooklyn PL through the Elyon College Library)

Directory of Open Access Journals

Free service that offers full text, quality controlled scientific and scholarly journals.

General OneFile

News and periodical articles on a wide range of topics. Contains over 12,000 periodicals, newspapers, reference books and multimedia sources, over half of which are full-text.

MasterFILE Premier

Full text articles covering a broad range of subjects including general reference, business, education, health, general science and multicultural issues.

Popular Magazine Collection

A customized selection of popular magazines from the New York State Online Virtual Library database collection. Magazine coverage is from 1980 to the present.

Student Resources in Context

Contains primary documents, biographies, topical essays, background information, critical analyses, full-text coverage of 200 magazines, over 10,000 photographs and illustrations and more than 8 hours of audio and video clips.

BUSINESS

ABI Inform Research

A collection of indexes to newspapers and other periodicals covering business and economics, education, and general subjects.

http://misc.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/remote/login.aspx?res=abi

(To use from remote location, please, register with the Brooklyn PL through the Elyon College Library)

Gale Business Insights: Essentials

Company profiles, brand information, rankings, investment reports, histories, chronologies and periodicals
http://bi.galegroup.com/essentials/?u=nysl_me_bpl_cent

General Business File ASAP
A customized selection of journals from the New York State Online Virtual Library database collection relating to business. Journal coverage is from 1980 to the present.
http://misc.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/remote/login.aspx?res=genbiz

(To use from remote location, please, register with the Brooklyn PL through the Elyon College Library)

Online Business Book Club
Get the first few chapters of newly released business books, via your email. Free sign-up through the Brooklyn PL site.
http://www.supportlibrary.com/nt/landing.cfm?x=75&menu=bccarousel&submenu=bcsignup

ReferenceUSA
Provides corporate, small business, and residential listings for marketing and job seeking purposes. Directory and census information on more than 13 million U.S. businesses and 120 million U.S. households.
http://misc.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/remote/login.aspx?res=refusa

(To use from remote location, please, register with the Brooklyn PL through the Elyon College Library)

Small Business Collection
A customized selection of journals from the New York State Online Virtual Library database collection relating to small business. Journal coverage is from 1980 to the present. Contains over 11 million articles updated daily.
http://go.galegroup.com/ps/dispBasicSearch.do?prodId=PPSB&userGroupName=nysl_me_bpl_cent#

Small Business Resource Center
A comprehensive database that provides business information on areas of starting and operating a business, including accounting, finance, human resources, management, marketing, and taxation.
http://misc.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/remote/login.aspx?res=sbrc

(To use from remote location, please, register with the Brooklyn PL through the Elyon College Library)

CAREER

Career Cruising

Interactive career guidance resource with information on occupational assessment, career exploration, educational planning, and portfolio development.
http://misc.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/remote/login.aspx?res=career

(To use from remote location, please, register with the Brooklyn PL through the Elyon College Library)

Glassdoor.com

Career and workplace community where users can find and anonymously share salary details about specific jobs for specific employers or company and interview reviews describing life on the inside of an employer.
www.glassdoor.com

EDUCATION & LEARNING

ERIC Educational Resources Information Center

Online digital library of education research and information. Sponsored by the Institute of Education Sciences (IES) of the U.S. Department of Education.
http://eric.ed.gov/

Learning Express Library 3.0

This is the new Learning Express Library learning platform. Like Learning Express Library, Learning Express Library 3.0 has practice test and other study materials for the GED, HiSET, TASC, GRE, SAT, elementary school and middle school standardized tests, civil service, technical, and other professional exams.

Treehouse

Members of the Treehouse community can learn to build websites, create iPhone and Android apps, build web apps with Ruby on Rails and PHP, learn about user experience, how to start a business, and much more.
Through 1000+ video tutorials, quizzes, and code challenges created by expert teachers, students can learn to code in languages like Objective-C, HTML, CSS, PHP, Ruby, JavaScript and SQL.
To start learning with Treehouse, the only software and hardware requirements are a web browser and an Internet connection.

HEALTH

Health Reference Center Academic

Access to information from medical reference materials. Includes over 2800 journals and magazines, many of which are full-text. Also contains nursing and allied health journals, newsletters, consumer health magazines, pamphlets, and videos.
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Hite: Health Information Tool for Empowerment
Online directory of free and low cost health and social services programs.

Medline Plus
National Library of Medicine's database of health information for consumers and health professionals. Includes information on over 750 health topics, drugs and supplements, medical encyclopedia, dictionaries, interactive tutorials, and surgery videos.

PubMed
A service of the U.S. National Library of Medicine that includes over 16 million citations from MEDLINE and other life science journals for biomedical articles back to the 1950s. Areas include medicine, nursing, dentistry, veterinary medicine, health care, and pre-clinical sciences.

HISTORY

Accessible Archives
This group of fully imaged full-text searchable historical databases provides vast quantities of archived materials, most of it previously available solely in hard copy, microfilm or as images. Allows an unprecedented in-depth look at Colonial and Early America, these databases can be searched across the full spectrum of newspapers, books and periodicals.

African American Experience
An online collection of reference works, primary sources, images, and audio clips on African American life.
http://misc.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/remote/login.aspx?res=aae

(To use from remote location, please, register with the Brooklyn PL through the Elyon College Library)

BiblioBoard
A primary source database features historical books, articles, images, photographs, maps, pamphlets, and documents as well as streaming audio and video content on a wide variety of topics including Literature, History, Philosophy, Religion, Science, Nature, etc.
http://misc.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/remote/login.aspx?res=biblioboard

(To use from remote location, please, register with the Brooklyn PL through the Elyon College Library)

Biography in Context
This database combines biographies from Gale Group sources and also includes full-text articles from hundreds of periodicals.

FreedomFlix
http://misc.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/remote/login.aspx?res=freedomflix

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LITERATURE

Literature Criticism Online
The 10 individual Gale series: Contemporary Literary Criticism, Twentieth-Century Literary Criticism, Nineteenth-Century Literature Criticism, Shakespeare Criticism, Literature Criticism 1400-1800, Classical and Medieval Literature Criticism, Poetry Criticism, Short Story Criticism, Drama Criticism and Children's Literature Review. Search by author name, title, genre, literary movement or literary themes, or combine criteria to create a custom search path.

Literature Resource Center - LRC
Provides access to biographies, bibliographies, and critical analysis of authors from every age and literary discipline.

Salem Literature
An online collection of classical and current literary criticism of the world's most-studied literature from Salem Literature's popular reference series. Focuses on both an individual author's entire body of work or on a single work of literature.

SCIENCE

Communications and Mass Media Collection
A customized selection of journals from the New York State Online Virtual Library database collection relating to communications and mass media. Journal coverage is from 1980 to the present.
http://go.galegroup.com/ps/start.do?p=PPCM&u=nysl_me_bpl_cent&authCount=1

Computer Database Collection
A customized selection of journals from the New York State Online Virtual Library database collection relating to communications and mass media. Journal coverage is from 1980 to the present.

Criminal Justice Collection
A customized selection of journals from the New York State Online Virtual Library database collection relating to criminal justice. Journal coverage is from 1980 to the present.

Diversity Studies Collection
A customized selection of journals from the New York State Online Virtual Library database collection relating to the diversity studies. Journal coverage is from 1980 to the present.

Environmental Studies and Policy Collection
A customized selection of journals from the New York State Online Virtual Library database collection relating to environmental studies and environmental policy. Journal coverage is from 1980 to the present.

Gender Studies Collection
A customized selection of journals from the New York State Online Virtual Library database collection relating to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Issues. Journal coverage is from 1980 to the present.

General Science
A customized selection of journals from the New York State Online Virtual Library database collection relating to general science. Journal coverage is from 1980 to the present.

GreenFile
Full text articles, indexes and abstracts from scholarly, government and general titles relating to the environment. Areas include global warming, climate change, green building, pollution, sustainable agriculture, renewable energy, recycling, and more.

Opposing Viewpoints In Context
Social issues series published by Greenhaven Press, as well as core reference content from other Gale and Macmillan Reference USA sources. Access viewpoint articles, topic overviews, statistics, primary documents, links to websites, and full-text magazine and newspaper articles.

Psychology Collection
A customized selection of journals from the New York State Online Virtual Library database collection relating to psychology. Journal coverage is from 1980 to the present.

ScienceFlix

Covers major science areas like Earth Science, Space, Life Science, Human Body, Physics, and Engineering, with general overviews and articles for deeper understanding. Includes videos, project ideas, experiments, quizzes, and information about careers in science.