



ECL LIBRARY

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 quiet study room. The print collection was increased up to 1500 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 It undergoes an aggressive de-selection and development process, in the course of which the outdated resources are replaced by the newest in all major areas, as reflected in the courses' curricula.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 exclusively for the library research have been added in the library facilities. Besides, the adjacent computer lab equipped with the two dozen of state-of-the-art PCs, allowed Elyon College to drastically expand the number of students simultaneously conducting the library research.

ECL Library Resources, as listed in the Collection Development Statement, comprise both printed collection and electronic media. As of July 2014, the Library Catalog contains about one thousand separate entries for the books in Reference, Circulation, and Curriculum Sections, and is constantly being updated and expanded to include the newly added items. 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. The Catalog entries are searchable by the title, author, key word and subject. Most of the entries contain pictures of the title pages, for the purposes of illustration. 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. This database is placed on the WordPress platform (version 3.2.9.9 of the Web Librarian). The following is the description of the version:

This WordPress plugin started as a portable, cross-platform system that the Wendell Free Library could use as a transition system from its current paper card based circulation system to the system that will eventually be rolled out by the regional library system. It has 'morphed' to a web-based successor to Deepwoods Software's Home Librarian 3 system.

This plugin implements a simple and basic, web-based, library catalog and circulation system. There are short codes that can be added to pages of a WordPress site to search and display items in the library collection. And there are back-end (admin) pages that implement management of the collection, management of patrons (users) of the library, as well as implementing the functionality of a circulation desk.

The full description of the system is saved in *ECL Library documents for accreditation* folder under the name *Web Librarian user manual* in PDF format on the Librarian Computer.

ECL Library Home Page also offers links to selected Free Electronic Resources. The full description of the databases in offering is below (Appendix 1):

ECL Library Home Page also provides links to:

- Information Literacy page
- Useful Resources page
- Location and Hours Page Staff description and responsibilities
- Mission Statement Page
- An online Acquisitions Request to facilitate faculty participation
- Other Library Documents

Under Other Library Documents the user can see the following:

1. Listing of the means to access Library resources and explanation of their usage
2. An assessment strategy for library resources and information services
3. Timetable reflecting a continuous manner of assessment of the above resources
4. Employing student aids to support running of the library
5. Development of means of delivery of library services to all learners
6. Annual library budget, with allocation for the purchase of books, periodicals, library equipment, and other resources and materials
7. Description of the library resources' assessment as to adequacy of providing support for the educational process, including the study, reading, and information technology facilities
8. Library guide
9. Library rules and regulations
10. Acquisitions and de-selection policy description
11. All other documents deemed necessary for the proper usage of library facilities and resources

ELYON COLLEGE LIBRARY RESOURCES AND SERVICES

As a rule, a two year college offering AS & AAS degrees needs to have a combined print and electronic collection of 30,000 volumes. Elyon College library is on its way of having access to holdings much greater than that. Our estimated total of volumes will exceed 90,000. 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 will be able to use their own and college laptops to access the electronic library.

According to numerous reports the most prestigious universities are commencing to shift their library holdings from print to electronic medium and are relying more on electronic resources. While the print collection of the proposed Elyon College is limited to 1200 titles, it adequately addresses the limited scope of the intended Elyon College offerings, which is confined to only two Associate Degrees, serving an initial population of 35 students.

The Brooklyn Public Library has branches throughout every community including near Elyon College. These branches are accessible by walking to virtually every student enrolled. The agreement on using the local branch's collection is reached. All the facts mentioned above permit to conclude that Elyon College has the adequate library resources, which enables the students to successfully complete their studies.

The Elyon College library resources and holdings are adequate to offer library services to a proposed student enrollment of approximately 35, FTE's. Library resources include a core reference collection of more than 200 volumes; a circulating collection of 810 curriculum centered titles; 80 audio visual materials, and access to virtual resources that include more than 52,000 titles available through WWW. The virtual library includes access to 39 million database records of periodical resources on business/economics, computers and information technology, history and humanities, social and behavioral sciences, and religion. The EC Library budget proposal reflects a projection of a 5% increase over a five year period in anticipation of increasing costs and expenses for collection development, consistent with low inflationary expectations. An accessible at no cost 45,124 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 start-up costs and 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.

While full time students will be scheduled for 12 – 15 hours of class time during the week, the library facilities will be available during the hours of 5 – 10 p.m., Monday – Thursday and Sunday, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m., which will provide students with extended periods of library use beyond the instructional time. This is in addition to the availability of the Brooklyn public library.

The Library, during operating hours provides 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 students, upon admission, get valid library cards with Brooklyn and Queens Public Libraries with the help of the Elyon College Library faculty and staff.

Elyon College Library developed information competency standards and the accompanying indicators of success as desired student outcomes based on ACRL standards. A basic information literacy orientation guide has been developed for all incoming accepted students. Basic information literacy exercises have been developed for the General Education Core that include: Scholarly Journals vs. Popular Magazines, Propaganda or Scholarship: How to tell the Difference, Examining Reference Sources, Focusing Broad Topics, and Broad Topics: Ways to Focus an Unmanageable Topic in English Composition. 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 will be given reading assignments by their professors that include a library component. Subject specific information literacy instruction will articulate the relationships with the specific learning standards for each discipline within the Colleges’ a course offerings.

(Appendix 1)

BOOKS ONLINE

(Catalog Access and/or Free Texts)

JUDAICA

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/>

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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

Scholastic BookFlix

An online literacy resource pairs classic video storybooks from Weston Woods with related nonfiction eBooks from Scholastic to build a love of reading and learning.

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>

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

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

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.

Ebscohost Mobile

Includes access for mobile device users to the following databases: Academic Search Premier, Middle Search Plus, Masterfile Premier, Novelist, Novelist K-8, and Primary Search. Click [here](#) for further instructions.

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/dispatchBasicSearch.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=sbr>

(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.

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>

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

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.

http://go.galegroup.com/ps/start.do?p=CDB&u=nysl_me_bpl_cent&authCount=1

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.

http://go.galegroup.com/ps/start.do?p=PPCJ&u=nysl_me_bpl_cent&authCount=1

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.

http://go.galegroup.com/ps/start.do?p=PPDS&u=nysl_me_bpl_cent&authCount=1

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.