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JOURNALS A TO Z LIST ON WEB SITE
• Holdings and information about the journals in the ASU Library’s print AND online collections is available on the Library’s Electronic and Print Journals Catalog web page. To access this page, go to the main Library web page at www.library.astate.edu and click on the Electronic and Print Journals Catalog link in the blue “Quick Links” box on the left of the screen.

The alphabetical list is also searchable by journal title, title key word(s), or ISSN.

The information under each title states where a journal is available and provides links either directly to the relevant database or to the Library catalog entry for that journal, which contains information about our print holdings of that title.

In the near future we hope to also add holdings information for the journals the Library owns on microfilm and microfiche.

LIBRARY ADDS SIX NEW DATABASES
• The Library has new subscriptions to the following databases: Applied Science Index, Art Index, Biological and Agricultural Index Plus, Book Review Digest Plus, Humanities Index, and Social Sciences Index. These databases replace print indexes that the library has subscribed to for many years. Both Biological and Agricultural Index Plus and Book Review Digest Plus contain full-text articles and reviews that were not previously available at ASU. To use these databases, go to the Library’s alphabetical list of databases at:
http://www.library.astate.edu/databases/journalDB/DatabaseListing.cfm#alpha and click on the links to each database.

BACKFILES OF BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS ADDED

- The library has also added online access to the 1993 and 1994 years of Biological Abstracts. This database is now fully searchable from 1990 to the present.

LIBRARY PATHFINDERS

- During the fall semester, ASU Reference librarians began updating and expanding the subject resource guides, or pathfinders, that are at the Information Desk. These guides are designed to assist students in conducting research in many of the general subject areas of instruction at ASU.

Once completed, a draft of each pathfinder is submitted to faculty in that discipline for their review, comment and suggestions with regard to their content. The final draft is then completed, printed and distributed in the Library. Copies are also available to faculty who wish to distribute them to their classes.

Pathfinders for Agriculture, America Literature, Biology, Business, Computer Science, Education, Journalism, Nursing and Health Professions, and Political Science are available now. Pathfinders for Art, Chemistry, Geography, History, Mathematics, Photography, Physical Therapy, Physics, and Sociology will be ready soon.

One of the pathfinders is can be seen online at: http://www.library.astate.edu/research/Agriculture.pdf. More pathfinders are on the way and we do plan to make them all available online. Contact Laura Downing or Jeff Bailey at the Library if you want to request a pathfinder on a specific topic or course.

INGENTA “PAY PER VIEW” SERVICES STILL AVAILABLE TO FACULTY

- Faculty researchers and teaching faculty in all programs at ASU may still sign up for Ingenta, a pay-per-view article delivery service, in the Dean B. Ellis Library to obtain articles not available to them in a timely fashion through Interlibrary Loan services. (Note: Pay per view articles are extremely expensive. Thus we recommend this service only when articles are not available via ILL.)

Ingenta provides articles from over 27,000 publications and links to more than 5,500 full-text online journals. If a pay-per-view article is not available
for online delivery to your desktop, the article can be faxed to a number you provide on your account application.

For instructions and an application form, please visit the Library web site and click on the *Ingenta Article Service* link in the blue “Quick Links” box on the left of the screen.

PROFESSOR DEPOTS COPIES OF ALL HIS SCHOLARLY WORK AT ASU LIBRARY

- Dr. Aldemaro Romero, Chair and Professor of the Department of Biological Sciences, has deposited copies of more than 430 of his books, articles, and other pieces of his scholarly production in the ASU Library in pdf format. The collection will eventually be accessible via the web to ASU faculty, students, and others.

The idea of an Arkansas State University Faculty Research Collection, having ASU faculty members deposit their scholarly works, in print or electronic format, at the university library has been discussed for the past two years in the Dean B. Ellis Library. Such a collection may also include scholarly works, that meet the same academic standards, by ASU alumni since graduation from ASU. The goals of such a project/collection will be to document research and scholarly production of past and current University faculty, and to make those materials available to students, faculty and others for the indefinite future.

When the project begins, the library plans to identify and collect copies of all faculty publications, such as books, articles, poetry, music scores, etc., as well as slides or photographs of creative works by faculty, such as paintings, sculptures, architectural designs, ceramics, etc.

STUDENT BOOK REQUESTS PROCESSED, FUNDS STILL AVAILABLE

- More than 60 students have recommended at least 180 book and media titles for purchase and addition to the Dean B. Ellis Library’s permanent collection since the “Student Book Request Program” program was announced in October, 2004. Under the Student Infrastructure Fee-funded program, each semester every currently enrolled ASU Jonesboro student can recommend up to three (3) titles that support curriculum-related research and study at ASU be purchased and added to the Library’s permanent collections.

The guidelines for this program are prominently featured on the “What’s New” box on the Library web site. As the purchase and processing of the materials may take several weeks, it is suggested that students request books that are needed immediately through Interlibrary Loan.
Faculty are encouraged to submit feedback or ask questions about topics covered in this newsletter. To do so, email Jeff Bailey, Head of Public Services at jbailey@astate.edu.

A special Dean B. Ellis Library coffee mug is awaiting the first 25 faculty members who read this Library e-newsletter. Call x3208 to reserve your mug. Then stop by the Reference Desk to retrieve it. Be one of the first 25. Remember, the first 25 only. Sorry.

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