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## PRAXIS II PRACTICE EXAMS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

• The [Learning Express](#) online test preparation and skills enhancement resource that was featured in the [Summer 2008 issue](#) of [library4students@astate](#) has recently added a total of 6 practice tests for the Praxis II exam. There are two practice tests each for the Early Childhood, Elementary Education, and Middle School Content Knowledge exams.

LearningExpressLibrary

Anyone using this resource is required to create a free individual user account in *Learning Express*, as any modules used will be saved to that account so that they may be returned to later without loss of data.

## WAR OF THE REBELLION ONLINE FULL-TEXT IN MAKING OF AMERICA

• Scholars and Civil War enthusiasts have full-text searchable online access to every volume of the massive sets [The War of the Rebellion: a Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies](#) and the [Official Records of the Union and Confederate Navies in the War of the Rebellion](#). Both are components of the [Making of America](#) website produced and maintained by Cornell University.



These two book titles and 22 19<sup>th</sup> century journals are full-text searchable and pages are reproduced in full pdf scans.

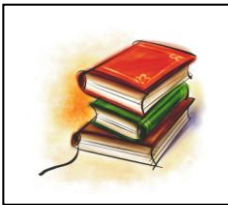
If you prefer using the print volumes, the Library has a full set of *The War of the Rebellion: a Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies* in the General Collection on the third floor. The base call number is E 464 .U6 1985. The Library does not possess a print copy of the naval records.

All Library databases, including *Learning Express* and *Making of America*, may be accessed from the Library's [Databases](#) page. For additional information about or assistance with any of the Library's databases, please contact the Reference Desk at (870) 972-3208.

## **FACULTY HAVE AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT**

- The library has made the 2008-2009 departmental allocations for purchasing library materials. Now is a great time for faculty to submit requests for book and media purchases, as the sooner new materials are ordered, the faster they will arrive and be available for student and faculty use.

This is also a good time to review departmental journal subscriptions to identify titles which should be added or replaced.



One faculty member in each academic department had been designated by their department as the Library collection development liaison, and each department establishes their internal procedures for selecting and submitting order requests. Please contact your liaison if you are unsure of your department's procedures for requesting materials for purchase or making changes to journal subscriptions.

If you have any questions concerning your allocation, requests, or the request/order process, please contact [Linda Creibaum](#), Acquisitions Librarian (972-3354).

## **BARBARA HARRELL RETIRES AFTER 43 YEARS OF SERVICE**

- Barbara Harrell, Assistant to the Dean of Library and Information Resources, retired on June 30 after more than 43 years of service to the Dean B. Ellis Library and ASU. Barbara joined the Library in the fall of 1964 in the Acquisitions Department and moved "upstairs" to the Director's Office in the late 1960's.

During her years at ASU Barbara worked with numerous Library Directors and Deans, as well as thousands of faculty, staff, and students.



Barbara made countless contributions to ASU during her career. Everyone at the Library wishes nothing but the best for Barbara in her retirement.

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