



## NMSU Library News Release

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### NMSU Library Offers Fall Tours and Workshops

#### **Tours**

During the first two weeks of each Semester, the NMSU Library offers tours of its facilities. Tours are a great way to get to know what is where in the Library. A knowledgeable library staff member will show you around, answer your questions and refer you to particular services or people as needed. Tours also give you the opportunity to meet other students, faculty members, and university staff.

A tour takes approximately 30 minutes. Students get a certificate of attendance that instructors may count towards extra credit points.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Branson Library</u>	<u>Zuhl Library</u>
Tuesday, August 20	9:00 a.m.	9:40 a.m.
Thursday, August 22	10:30 a.m.	11:10 a.m.
Friday, August 23	1:30 p.m.	2:10 p.m.
Monday, August 26	3:30 p.m.	4:10 p.m.
Wednesday, August 28	2:30 p.m.	3:10 p.m.
Friday, August 30	11:30 a.m.	12:10 p.m.

#### **Workshops**

Each semester the NMSU Library offers drop-in workshops. Anyone can attend; advance registration is not needed. Workshops cover information-related topics. The Library develops workshops to address questions that staff sees students having at the reference desk, problems that faculty find in student research, and other timely issues.

Workshops allow ample opportunities for hands-on work with the information services or sources discussed

in the session. Most workshops last approximately 60 minutes.

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### APA Citation Style

Do you need to write a paper or do a presentation that cites sources using APA (American Psychological Association) style? Wonder what APA style is? Wonder how to get your citations formatted properly? This workshop will explain the basics of APA citation style and give you lots of opportunities to practice.

Wednesday, 25 September, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Zuhl Library Electronic Classroom

Thursday, 21 November, 3:30-4:40 p.m., Zuhl Library Electronic Classroom

### MLA Citation Style

Do you need to write a paper or do a presentation that cites sources using MLA (Modern Language Association) style? Wonder what MLA style is? Wonder how to get your citations formatted properly? This workshop will explain the basics of MLA citation style and give you lots of opportunities to practice.

Thursday, 26 September, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Zuhl Library Electronic Classroom

Wednesday, 20 November, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Zuhl Library Electronic Classroom

### Using the ERIC & PsycINFO Databases

PsycINFO is the main database for psychology; ERIC is the main database for education. Both of these databases are WebSpirs products licensed by the Library: this means that these databases essentially look and work the same. There is also a lot of overlap in treatment of topics between psychology and education, so researchers who use one database often use the other. Do you know how to search PsycINFO/ERIC effectively? This workshop will demonstrate what PsycINFO and ERIC can do for you and how you can use them most effectively.

Wednesday, 2 October, 3:00-4:00, Zuhl Library Electronic Classroom

### Introduction to the Library for University Faculty & Staff

What services does the Library provide to you as a staff or faculty member? How can you get access to the Library's electronic resources from home or office? Why would you want to get access to the Library's electronic resources? This workshop will answer all these questions - and more.

Friday, 4 October, 1:00-2:00 p.m., Zuhl Library Electronic Classroom

### FirstSearch & InterLibrary Loan

The NMSU Library may not own every book and journal in the world - but it will work with you to get almost anything you need from any library that owns it. Did you know that Interlibrary Loan is a free service for faculty, staff, and students? That items can be delivered to and picked up from faculty offices? That items can be requested directly from WorldCat and other FirstSearch databases? This workshop demonstrates how to register and log-in to use the Library's Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery

forms, addresses ILL/DD policies and procedures, and shows how to find what other libraries own through WorldCat.

Monday, 7 October, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Branson Library Electronic Classroom

#### Advanced Web Searching: Specialty Search Engines & the Invisible Web

Ever wondered if there was a better way to find information on your topic on the Web? Tired of getting results from AltaVista, Google, and the other “big” Web search engines that are both too numerous and too general for your needs? Want to increase your chances of finding only pages where “banking” is used to describe a financial transaction, not something airplanes do? This workshop introduces specialty search engines (e.g., findlaw (<http://findlaw.com/>) and WWWomen (<http://www.wwwomen.com/>)) for major subjects, tools that can be used to find even more specialized search engines, and major Invisible Web resources.

Wednesday, 9 October, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Zuhl Library Electronic Classroom

#### Using the Lexis-Nexis Database

Lexis-Nexis is a mostly full-text database giving general news, company news and financial information (including SEC filings), legal materials (legal news, law review articles, case law, codes and regulations, and more), medical information, and reference tools (biographical information, country profiles, polls & surveys, quotations, state profiles, and world almanacs). Do you know how to use Lexis-Nexis to take full advantage of these resources? This workshop will demonstrate what Lexis-Nexis can do for you and how you can use it most effectively.

Monday, 14 October, 2:30-3:30 p.m., Zuhl Library Electronic Classroom

#### Web Resources for Education

Tired of doing a Google search for educational sites on the Web and finding w-a-a-a-y too much information? Come to this workshop and find out about a variety of specialized resources, covering a wide range of topics, including administration and management, assessment, early childhood education, educational statistics, and sources of lesson plans. Learn about some of the best sites that have links to a large number of other sites.

Thursday, 17 October, 3:00-4:00 p.m., Zuhl Library Electronic Classroom

#### Effective Library & Information Research Assignments: A Workshop for Faculty

As an instructor, are you disappointed with the number and types of sources your students find and the ways in which they conduct research? Do they fail to produce correct citations for their resources? Do they plagiarize? Do you routinely hear from them that the Library is hard to use, or lacking the necessary information? This workshop will address ways that Library and teaching faculty can work together to create and implement library and information research assignments that better facilitate student learning.

Monday, 11 November, 1:00-2:30, Zuhl Library Electronic Classroom

Additional workshops may be posted on the Library's website as Fall Semester 2002 progresses. Please check <http://lib.nmsu.edu/instruction/workshops.htm> for additional listings, or contact Kate Manuel, Instruction Coordinator, at 646-6932 or [kmanuel@lib.nmsu.edu](mailto:kmanuel@lib.nmsu.edu).