

NEWSLETTER

From the Desk of the Director of Library Services

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ECSU Community,

Greetings,

I hope this winter season finds you well. As we start a new academic year and end of another successful year, we have prepared a selected spotlight of

news from 2022. The library team continues to host engaging events and programming activities that boost student engagement and learning. These activities include book exhibits, maker space workshops, game nights, final exam support events, guest speakers, lecture series, poetry or book reading sessions, and film nights.

The library team is dedicated to being a support mechanism throughout your learning journey while constantly improving its collection and services tailored towards student learning needs. Additionally, the library has become a collaboration hub for its users to produce and create unique artifacts. We invite you to visit our website for weekly updates, new electronic resources, and information about our new production lab. The new production lab consists of laser-cut machines, iMacs, 3D printing technology, video recording equipment, drawing tablets and other remarkable technologies that will support student creativity and content creation.

We are proud to share success stories with you as we grow and strengthen our services with our new team members. In this issue of the newsletter, you will find a selected list of activities of what we have been doing for the past year, snapshot news of each library area along with staff members' friendly faces. There is also a section that highlights students and faculty.

We look forward to you visiting the G.R. Little Library. We invite you to ask questions and provide suggestions and feedback on our collections, services, and physical space. Please consider becoming a Friend of the G.R. Little Library support group. You may become a member of the FOL by completing the form on the last page of the newsletter.

Thank you for your continued support. Happy New Year!

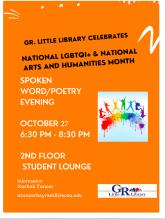
Sincerely,

Juanita Midgette Spence, Ed.D

G. R. Little Library Presents Spoken Word Evenings!

Spoken Word Evening events are continuing in the G.R. Little Library under the initiative of librarian Nurhak Tuncer. These events sometimes collaborate with other university offices, student clubs, community musicians, artists, and university departments. These events are an excellent opportunity to display the library's poetry collection and highlight individual poets. Usually, a table or a library guide displays certain selected books from the library's collection. They also give an excellent chance for students who want socializing and a quick break between their studies. The motto of the spoken word evenings is "Bring your spoken word, creativity, and inspiration and get a snack break!" Here are some photographs of students from the spoken word evenings. Below is a picture from this year's National Poetry Month celebration.











Electronic Resources News

Electronic Resources & Serials, by David Dusto, Electronic Resources Librarian

Several new online resources are now available through the <u>G.R. Little Library website</u>. Links to all of these can also be found on the website's A-Z List of Databases:



Electronic Resources News

This has been an exciting year for the Electronic Resources and Serials section. We gained a new member, Ms. Nia Kearney, who has come to ECSU from Goldsboro. In addition assisting in the Electronic Resources and Serials section, Ms. Kearney manages our new Viking Production Lab. The Lab is located in room 215 of the G.R. Little Library and features a variety of equipment available for use by both ECSU-affiliated users and members of the

Elizabeth City community. This includes a die-cut machine and a wide variety of designs, a 36-inch poster printer, a 3D printer, a Glowforge laser cutter/engraver, a button maker, a professional-quality camcorder, lighting kit, and audio equipment, Wacom Cintiq drawing tablets, and multiple PC and Mac workstations. Over the past few months, the G.R. Little Library held a series of lunchtime mini-workshops focused on using some of this equipment. Please stop by the production lab at any time during library hours for a tour of this new space. National Library Week (April 3-8) saw the Electronic Resources and Serials section host several events. These included a documentary film night, a student recording event, a production lab open house, and a fun library scavenger hunt. Thanks to all students who participated in these events. Below you will find some of the most popular databases from our collection.



Oxford English Dictionary Online

The OED is the definitive record of the English language, featuring 600,000+ words, 3 million+ quotations, and over 1,000 years of English.



EBSCO eBook Academic Collection

Over 200,000 eBooks covering a large selection of academic subjects from leading publishers and university presses. This greatly expands the full-text eBooks available 24/7 though the G.R. Little Library.



Taylor & Francis eBook Collection

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...hundreds of new films and film clips have been added in the past few months to Films on Demand. For example, <u>90 films were added in February 2022</u>, including:

NOVA: Universe Revealed

o With dazzling visuals and the latest discoveries, NOVA's five-part series captures moments of high drama when the cosmos changed forever--featuring a cast list of rogue planets, colliding galaxies, and black holes more massive than a billion suns.

· Insights and Strategies: Workplace Skills

o This series offers a brilliant range of new programs on hot business topics to foster awareness and improvement. These valuable lessons for success inspire best practice with up-to-date knowledge from a range of business leaders.

Essaycraft

o Having to write essays is a daunting experience for most students. This series of short programs has been developed to help reduce those anxieties by showing how to do a great job of producing impressive essays. Written and presented by Dr. Neil Thompson, a highly experienced essay marker, independent verifier and external examiner, it covers some of the common

mistakes made and offers practical guidance on how to make sure that you do what is required to get the best results.

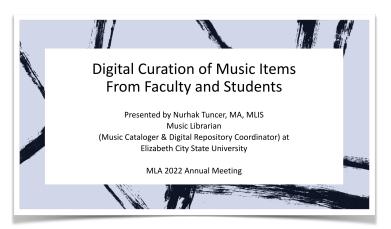
A Walk in Her Shoes

o This documentary feature shares one woman's intimate story of personal awakening, discovery, empowerment, and triumph. In a quest to overcome one of the biggest obstacles of her life, personal trainer and author Metra Lundy simulates a walk to freedom by re-tracing the steps of the great American heroine, Harriet Tubman, who walked from Maryland to Canada.

Library's Institutional Digital Repository - NC DOCKS



Since August 2018, with the vision of Director of Library Services, Dr. Juanita M. Spence, G. R. Little Library's open-access institutional repository *NC DOCKS* is continuing to increase the visibility of



ECSU while increasing the visibility of faculty/staff and students' profiles. The number of items and profiles in the repository are gradually growing each year.

Promoting this new repository is an important mission to sustain the growth of materials in it. The goal is to have an annual event to promote the repository. In order to promote the repository to faculty, this year Ms. Tuncer presented together with two other G.R. Little

librarians titled as "Research on campus and Librarians Present." Also, she gave a presentation in the annual Music Library Association meeting about the music items that she uploaded to the repository.

While NC DOCKS centralizes, preserves, and makes ECSU's intellectual capital accessible and carries it to the world, it also gives a new purpose to the modern library to provide a platform to its users to showcase their intellectual content. The materials that can be uploaded in NC DOCKS can be either published (research-related works) or unpublished works (materials that are created for teaching purposes, slides, sound recordings, videos, music scores, thesis, research papers,

photographs, pictures, student papers) from ECSU faculty/staff and students that represent their academic work.

If you are interested in contributing your works and want to have an *NC DOCKS* profile, please submit your list of publications to this e-mail address: ncdocks@ecsu.onmicrosoft.com

Scan the Website QR code to NC DOCKS.

For further questions, please contact Nurhak Tuncer Bayramli at ntuncerbayramli@ecsu.edu

Benefits of NC DOCKS

- * Maximize the impact of your publications
- * Reach new audiences
- * Appear in Google and other search engines
- * Showcase the value of ECSU intellectual capital
- + Archive with a stable server permanently





Besides her music librarian duties, Nurhak Tuncer Bayramli serves as the music cataloger and the coordinator of the library's digital repository NC DOCKS.

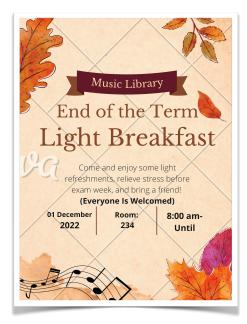
On Thursdays, you will see Ms. Tuncer as the evening librarian and sometimes on the weekends at the main library, but most of the time, she can be found at the Music Library located at the Fine Arts Building, second floor, room 234.

The G. R. Little Music Library serves as a satellite location of the G. R. Little Library and it is open for all ECSU students interested in exploring

related subjects and the public in general. This year, the music library is updated to a fast click mini KIC (knowledge imaging center) scanner, a new color printer and a photocopier. Also, this year, music library purchased the latest version of *Finale* music notation software that enables students to compose and edit



music. Ms. Tuncer, continues to develop the Music Library collection and serves as the instruction/liaison librarian to the Music and Visual Arts department. She is also working on developing the





music collection by assessing the collection and adding new titles to the collection. Ms. Tuncer also has the responsibility of supervising and training student assistants, who are learning how to utilize the music library resources. Resources in the Music Library include music scores, the



literature on music subjects (biographies, bibliographies, reference resources, etc.), CDs, DVDs, and print music magazines and journals. Please check out the Music Library Website (located on the ECSU's main library page) for additional updates and hours. Please also check out the Music Library Guide or scan the QR code. More class library guides are added and updated under this platform. Ms. Tuncer creates monthly exhibits to display the

music library collection in various

formats (print and online) on the bulletin board. The book exhibit pictured is the *Women's History Month* displaying book summaries with book covers from women composers and musicians.

Faculty Spotlight Corner



Faculty spotlight corner is a new addition in the newsletter. This year, we are highlighting an avid library supporter, Dr. Melissa Stuckey.

*Please tell us about your educational background and work at ECSU. How long have you been working here?

I earned my bachelor's degree from Princeton University in 2000. I majored in history with a certificate in African American Studies. I earned a Ph.D. in History from Yale University in 2009. I started working at ECSU in 2017. After many years working on the West Coast, coming to ECSU was something of a homecoming because my family lived in Virginia Beach for many years. My specialty as a historian is the study of African American towns,

communities, and institutions. I love incorporating research practices into my classes and giving my students an opportunity to participate in meaningful historical projects. ECSU and Elizabeth City provide fertile ground for this kind of work. I am very proud of the work my colleagues, students, and I are doing to improve and survey Old Oak Grove Cemetery where ECSU's founders and African American Civil War veterans are buried. We are also doing important work in recovering the history of African American businesses in the historic Sheppard Street-Road Street neighborhood, and commemorating local African American achievements with new historic markers. Finally, we have won over \$500,000 from the National Parks Service and the Institute for Museum and Library Services to be used towards rehabilitating the historic Rosenwald school and Principal's House on our campus. I am hopeful that when the space is completed, it will serve as a gathering point in the community to celebrate Black History and become a place of interdisciplinary learning on campus, bringing together the talents of students and faculty from every department and program across campus from the Humanities and Social Sciences to Aviation.

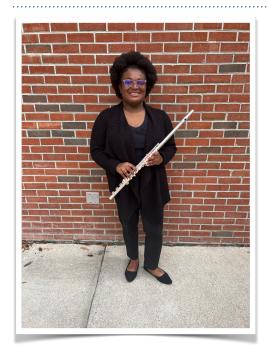
How does the library fit into your professional goals?

I love the G. R. Little Library. I began working closely with the staff almost as soon as I stepped on campus. Upon my request, the library staff has purchased important Black history databases and always acquires books, articles, and other materials that I need for teaching and research. I have also had classes meet in the library to learn about archival and digital resources and to use the University Archives. I am looking forward to incorporating the new archival research classroom into future classes. I find the library staff to be caring, approachable, and always ready to collaborate with me to support student success.

* What do you like the most about the newly renovated library and what would you suggest to other faculty members about utilizing and benefitting from the library?

I love coming to the library and seeing our students using the study and relaxation spaces. The redesigned library was crafted with student needs in mind. It is welcoming and maximizes its resources. I encourage my colleagues to hold classes in the library and to work creatively with the librarians to use the library as a resource and tool to achieve their classroom learning goals.

Student Spotlight Corner



It has been a tradition to include a student corner in the library newsletter. For this issue, we chose a music student and interviewed Joy Nance from the Music and Visual Arts department, who is proud to be a Viking! Joy is a graduate of Warwick High School in Newport News, VA. She is currently working towards her Bachelor of Arts degree in Music Education.

*Tell us about yourself (your instrument and etc.) and your professional goals.

My name is Joy Nance, and I am a Music Major with a concentration in Education. My primary instrument is the flute, and I plan to teach at the high school level and eventually teach collegially.

*How do you benefit from the music library on campus?

I benefit from the music library by having access to selected repertoire and method books so that I can learn from and improve in my craft.

- * How do you think you can carry over what you learned to your future career?

 I can carry over the skills I am learning now to my future career by sharing and utilizing a strong work ethic with others.
- What do you like most about being part of the Viking family and what would be your biggest advice for upcoming new Vikings?

What I love most about being a part of the Viking family are the valuable friendships and connections I have made along my journey. The biggest advice for I have for an upcoming Viking is to never be afraid to ask for help.

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Meet Your Library Staff



Meet your Library Staff is a NEW corner for the library newsletter that will highlight some of the library team members for each edition.

Meet Nia Kearney - Viking Library Production Lab Manager

Nia Kearney is one of the new library team members. She is the Viking Library Production Lab manager as of March 2022. She has a bachelor's degree in English and she is currently pursuing a Masters in Library Science

degree at NCCU. She loves to travel and try unusual cuisine. The most interesting international cuisine that she has eaten is Sannakji. It is a live octopus delicacy in South Korea. Additionally, she enjoys hiking and reading.



Meet A. Paige Hendrickson - University Archivist

A. Paige Hendrickson is also a new member of the library team. She is the University Archivist (as of September 1, 2022) for the ECSU University Archives & Special Collections in the G.R. Little Library. She earned an ALA-accredited M.S. in Information Sciences from The University of Tennessee (Knoxville) and is currently one class away from completing an M.A. in English, with

a concentration in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL), from the University of Memphis. With over 20 years of Archives and Library experience, some of her previous work experience includes Branch Campus Librarian for Motlow State Community College (MSCC) in Tennessee; Adjunct Instructor for Learning Support Writing and First Year Experience (MSCC); Archivist at Arnold Air Force Base/Arnold Engineering Development Center (AEDC) in Tennessee; Archivist at the U.S. Mint Headquarters on the Digital Archives Project (Washington, D.C.). Her professional interests include historical research, preservation, archives, genealogy, student success, and all forms of literacy.



Meet Leah Banks
Assistant to the Technical Services Librarian

Leah has been working at the G.R. Little Library for 11 years.

She has a BA degree in English with a concentration in Mass

Communications, a Master's in Archives and Records

Management from North Carolina Central University.

When we also asked two things that people might like to know about her, she said that she was a part of the concert choir from the fifth grade until her junior year of high school. Also, she was a

part of the concert/marching band from fifth grade until she graduated from high school. In her spare time, she loves to travel with her family.

North Carolina Digital Heritage Center East - NCDHC-EAST



Welcome to NCDHC-East! North Carolina Digital Heritage Center's newest location is in the G. R. Little Library on the campus of Elizabeth City State University. Mrs. Vicky B. Tillett serves as a Library Assistant/Digitalization Grant Operator. Zaina Goggins and Barry Ward serve as the office's two Library Student Assistants, which Mrs. Tillett supervises. This office was established to assist the North Carolina Digital Heritage Center (DHC) in digitizing historical documents and photographs, preserving them for future generations. Currently, the office's focus is on print newspaper digitization. In addition to meeting demand, setting up

the G. R Little Library location in the eastern part of the state will diminish travel time for eastern community partners interested in getting papers from all collections online. All materials will be scanned on a new large format scanner. Then, they will be uploaded to the newspaper site on our page. All images will be uploaded to the DigitalNC website at www.digitalnc.org.

From the Access Services and Assessment Cynthia Wise, Circulation Librarian



G.R. Little Library understands that the education world has been crazy for the past few years, and we are committed to supporting the campus, and our Mighty Vikings, in and out of the classroom.

Academics are important but so is 'downtime,' which allows for positive mental health activities. The library supports recreational activities by providing a variety of board games, card games, and coloring/art supplies in two game cabinets, one on each floor of the building. The goal is to support spending time with friends, relaxing, playing games, working out/exercising, and reading for fun or personal interest. These all help build happy, healthy Vikings.

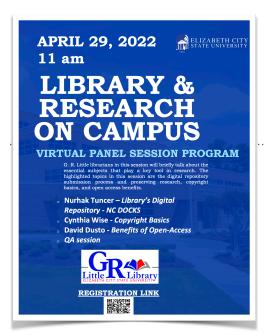
During Spring Semester Exam Week, the library provided coffee, hot beverages, and a 'build your trail mix station. Close to 300 Vikings

stopped by to enjoy the beverages, and the library hopes to provide coffee and snacks again during Fall exams.







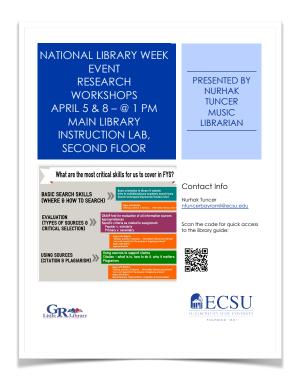


Before the semester began, the library hosted two Game Nights, one for students returning to campus early and one for New Vikings. Almost 200 students spent a few hours de-stressing, trying their hand at the library's minigolf course, playing games, and munching on pizza.

Librarians Present!

Although you might see your typical librarian at the reference desk or roving around helping students to printing and locating items, you can often see them in classrooms presenting about various subjects in library literacy such as bibliographic citations or evaluation of information resources.

They are also avid researches. In order to continue their professional development, they also contribute to national and regional library conferences to represent our





university. Below are some snapshots from some of the presentations that the librarians presented on and off campus events this year. During National Library Week events and annual conferences, librarians presented on the projects that they have been working on.

Technical Services/New Items



Technical Services/Acquisition by Mary Jordan, Technical Services Librarian

& Leah Banks, Technical Services Assistant

Ms. Banks and Ms. Jordan have been busy this year. Inventorying the physical collections continued to be the main project throughout the year including updating the catalog. This fiscal year (July '21 to June '22) the Technical Services selected, purchased, and cataloged 313 print materials, 21 feature films (DVDs), and 145 e-books for the Main Library. In addition, we assisted purchasing items for the Music Library. To support Access Services, technical services cataloged new calculators and headphones for student use.

The Technical Services Team has participated in multiple G.R. Little Library's events throughout the Academic Year. In February, Ms. Banks and Ms. Jordan planned and hosted a viewing and discussion of Award-winning movie, Moonlight, as a part of the Black History Month Celebration. The discussion was led by the Counseling Center and True Colors. Ms. Jordan collaborated with Title IX and True Colors on a Safe Sex Forum.

Ms. Banks and Ms. Jordan went to the American Library Association Conference in Washington D.C. in June 2022. The Technical Services Team attended a variety of sessions, and brought back goodies for the library and the team.

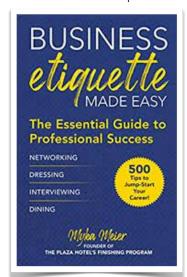
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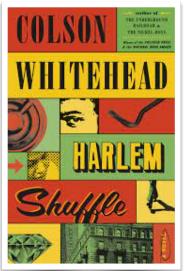
We encourage input and assistance from all ECSU faculty and staff members to select new materials for the library's collections. Title requests allow the library to purchase materials that reflect the needs and interests of ECSU's populations.

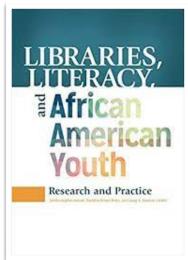
Requestors can submit requests through our online material request form (scan the QR code) or by contacting us. G.R. Little Library supports the ALA's Bill of Rights (https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill) and Freedom to Read (<a href="https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/freed

Selections of Hot NEW Arrivals

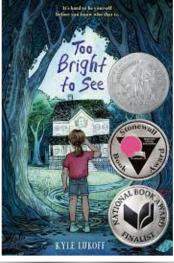
Over the past year, the library has been acquiring a wide range of materials. Library's collection development focus has been based on faculty requests, academic focus, and plumping up topics on business and sport management. Below are some of the titles that we acquired this year.

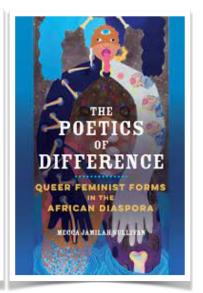












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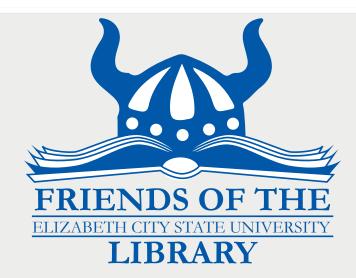
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- Friends of the Library annual banquets
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- Support academic scholarships for students pursuing a baccalaureate degree

Benefits of Friends of the Library membership include:

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