



NEWSLETTER

Hours of Operation

Monday - Thursday
8:00 am - 8:00 pm

Friday
8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday
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12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

*Librarians are available to assist remotely

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From the Desk of the Director of Library Services



Greetings ECSU Community,

The G. R. Little library team and I would like to provide you some updates with the new edition of our electronic newspaper as we continue the 2020-2021 academic year. Thank you for your patience,

continuous support, and contribution to making the library achieve its vision. It has been an honor and pleasure to lead the G.R. Little Library as we meet our library users' demands. During COVID-19, as ECSU is transitioning to new virtual teaching platforms, the library is also adopting new technologies, purchasing new databases, and strengthening its commitment to serving library users both in traditional and alternative ways. We completed a library survey before the Fall term started to get some feedback and suggestions from our library users during the transitioning period.

While seeking new ways to support our library users, the library collaborated with the Center for Teaching Excellence by inviting a guest speaker through a virtual platform. The library team recently successfully presented a faculty workshop that will be part of the upcoming workshop series to assist online teaching. The library's efforts continues to center around its Vision, to be "the intellectual and technological commons of Elizabeth City State University and the educational leader in preparing students for success as information literate global citizens and lifelong learners." Besides adopting new technologies, we are preparing to re-open the main library that has been under renovation since January 12, 2020.

Greetings Continued ...

The renovations are nearly completed, and we are very excited to open our doors soon with repurposed space for library users and new furniture. To prepare our library staff and the physical locations for the upcoming academic year, we continue to apply various grants (Dena Epstein Music Library Association grant, Archives Radio Grant, and ALA based grants). We recently were awarded a grant from the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) that is administered by the State Library of North Carolina. The items acquired by the funds of this grant were spent successfully towards purchasing supplies for the library using them to fight the COVID-19 virus.

This year, the G. R. Library has been following conversations about diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) in the country and the University of North Carolina (UNC) system. As a result, the library has created a Diversity and Inclusion committee. The committee is tasked to create activities and focus on resources to enrich the library collection and further meet the library's Vision Statement.

As we continue to strive for excellence, we are confident, you will find what you are looking for as you enter our library, whether physically, electronically, or through our online remote access services. Should you have any requests or concerns, please bring them to our attention. We will do our best to fulfill them.

We look forward to you visiting the G.R. Little Library, and we invite you to ask questions and provide suggestions and feedback on our collections, services, and physical space.

As I stated in our last library newsletter, the best is yet to come, as I see on the horizon, a brand-new state-of-the-art library learning and innovation center. There is much work to be done as we undertake the challenges that lie ahead, but the reward is great! Finally, I would like to ask each of you to support us by becoming a Friend of the G.R. Little Library. Please see the form located on the last page of the newsletter that shows you how to become a friend.

Thank you for your continued support.

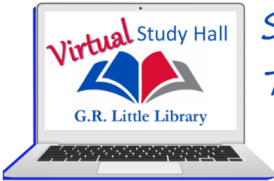
Sincerely,

Juanita Midgette - Spence, Ed.D.

Virtual Study Hall

Study Hall from Your Res Hall or Home
(or wherever you may roam)

Monday through Thursday 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm



Study
Together
...Safely

Join via Zoom: <https://tinyurl.com/yxg4cda9>
Or Use Meeting ID: 631 260 5586
Check your email or with your professor for possible

The Fall semester has dealt the ECSU family a challenging hand in terms of staying connected. To be present for the Viking students, staff, and faculty, the G.R. Little Librarians are hosting a two-hour Virtual Study Hall every evening, Monday through Thursday, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. The idea is that the librarian is available online every evening, and students log on with cameras on and microphones off with others who are also studying. If a student has any questions or needs assistance, a librarian is there to assist them. Though attendance has been light, the G. R. Little Library staff is committed to doing all they can to be present and available to support Vikings' needs. It will continue throughout the semester.

Electronic Resources News



Electronic Resources & Serials, by David Dusto, Electronic Resources Librarian and Chiquita Mitchell, Library Technical Assistant

Four exciting new online resources are now available through the [G.R. Little Library website](#).

CuriosityStream

A streaming video service for documentary series and features covering every topic from space exploration to adventure to the secret life of pets. With thousands of titles, including exclusive originals, CuriosityStream delivers shows across the full spectrum of the non-fiction genre to demystify science, nature, history, technology, society, lifestyle, and more.



Off-campus access: From the link, create a free account using your

ECSU email address. Then, watch the films in your browser from any location, or via mobile apps available on a variety of platforms.



Artstor Digital Library

An extensive image resource for educational and scholarly use, bringing together media from top museums, archives, scholars, and artists, with a specialized suite of tools for teaching and learning with visual materials, all rights-cleared for education and research and with extensive metadata to help with your art research.

Off-campus access: click "Log in" and select 'Elizabeth City State University (Proxy)', then log in with your VikingOne username and password.



Very Short Introductions: Arts & Humanities Collection

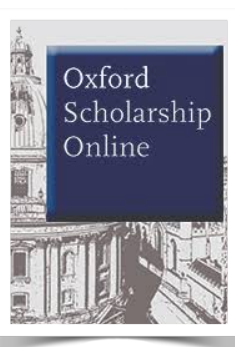
Hundreds of concise introductions to a wide range of arts & humanities subjects, intended for a general audience but written by experts. Topics include literature, religion, culture, history, philosophy, art, classics, music, and more.

Off-campus access: using the link from off campus will prompt you to log in using your VikingOne username and password.

Oxford Scholarship Online

A vast online library from Oxford University Press and UNC Press. Spanning subjects across the humanities, business, history, social & physical sciences, medicine, psychology, law, and more.

Off-campus access: using the link from off campus will prompt you to log in using your VikingOne username and password.





Looking for the newspaper? The library subscribes to multiple local, state, and national papers, but we also offer access to full-color e-editions of **The Daily Advance** and **The News & Observer**. [Contact the Electronic Resources Librarian](#) for access information. Or browse the library's online [Access World News/NewsBank](#) database to read thousands of newspapers, Hot Topics, and Special Reports.

Hungry? Try our amazing guide to **Menus for the Local Eateries**, featuring menus from many Elizabeth City and area restaurants. Browse by cuisine, find someplace to visit or to order from, and try something new & delicious! Available now at the library service desk – just ask any library staff member.

All of these, along with all other online resources, can also be found on the library's [new A-Z list of databases](#). Let David Dusto and his team know if you would like more information and/or training on using any of these or any other online resources available through the library, or if you experience any issues accessing them from on or off the campus. We hope that you find these new resources to be useful in your assignments, research, and beyond.

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. 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 and works) 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@ecs.uconn.edu

Website link to *NC DOCKS*: <http://libres.uncg.edu/ir/ecs/>

For questions, please contact Nurhak Tuncer-Bayramli at ntuncerbayramli@ecs.uconn.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**



Music Library Corner



The G. R. Little Music Library serves as a satellite location of the G. R. Little Library since April 2013 when it was first opened. Since the Fall of 2018, the new music librarian, Nurhak 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 catalog. Nurhak also has the responsibility of supervising and training student assistants, who are learning how to utilize the music library resources. Printing is free of charge for library users. 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. The music library is open for all ECSU students interested in exploring music-related subjects and the public in general. Please check out the [Music Library Website](#) (located on the ECSU's main library page) for additional updates and hours. It is operating under ECSU's COVID19 guidelines and accepting one or two students at a time. The music librarian is available online via virtual platforms for library instruction and reference.

This year, music librarian applied to a research grant (Dena Epstein) to make Leonard Ross Ballou's "Early American Negro Musicians: 1695-1900" hand guide available to researchers. Ballou's research is significant to American Music History, mainly because it includes an annotated bibliography of valuable primary resources that he carefully curated. Ballou was known for his research and archival skills. He kept precise, organized documentation of African-American Music's very early resources that many have been either lost today or still sitting in the dust to be discovered. His research is a significant contribution today as there is still a gap in early African-American musicians' research in American Music. The musicians that he noted in his research are not known to many researchers. Therefore, Ballou's work needs to be made visible to a broader audience.

Student 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 David Whitaker from the Music and Visual Arts department, who is proud to be a Viking!

Tell us about yourself, your major and how did you come to ECSU please?

I am a Music Education major at ECSU, and I am from Pinetops, NC. I started in band in sixth grade and continued into my senior year of high school. However, it was my sophomore year that I began to arrange music for my band to perform, and I fell in love with the process of writing and arranging music. It opened my eyes to the world of music in a way that I hadn't seen before. I decided to major in music education to be like my high school director, a great and inspirational teacher, and many others. He also is a graduate from ECSU, and a few of my fellow bandmates have and are currently attending ECSU alongside me.



What are your goals when you graduate from ECSU?

Once I graduate from ECSU, I aim to begin teaching in a low-income high school near where I grew up while going back to school for my master's and/or Doctorate in Music Education. I want to be as inspirational and influential as my director is. I know that the most significant impact would be areas where there is no one to teach or instruct music, so that's where I want to begin my journey as an educator.

How do you benefit from the library on campus?

The library is a place where I gain knowledge about the subjects that I study and as well information on how to properly cite sources that I use in my papers. The library serves as a safe space where I can work and talk to my librarian about current events and relax from studying for a while. I always enjoy stopping by to work and relax throughout the week because my librarian is very kind and gentle to me and others.

What are the things that you wish to see in the library?

The main thing I want to see in the library is more people taking advantage of the resources we have and the resources we can gather. The library is such a fantastic thing to have free access to, but it is such a shame to see others not using it.

What do you like the most about being a Viking?

To me, being a Viking invokes pride in myself and my university. Things may not always go as the students or faculty hope, but this is my university, and I love being here to work and spend time with my friends. I get a safe environment that I can learn, practice my instrumental abilities, and help and teach others. That is something that everyone does not have, and I would not change my university or the fact that I am and will always be a Viking for anything. Viking Pride, Viking Pride, Viking Pride!

Meet Your Library Staff Corner

Meet your Library Staff is a NEW corner for the library newsletter that will highlight one of the library team members for each edition. For this edition, our dedicated librarian Cynthia Horne volunteered to tell us a little bit about herself.

*Meet Cynthia Horne**Circulation Librarian*

Manages Access Services, Interlibrary Loan, and Assessment

Liaison to English and Digital Media, Health and Human Services, Social Sciences, and University Studies

How long have you worked at G. R. Little Library?

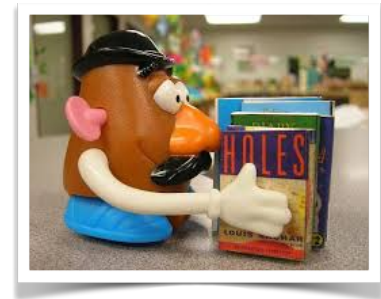
◆ I have been a Viking since July 2015 (5+ years).

Tell us a little about your educational background and work at ECSU.

- ✦ I hold an AA in General Education from Fayetteville Technical Community College, a BA in History from NC State, a Master's in Library and Information Science from Valdosta State University, and have completed about half of a doctorate in Education Leadership from East Carolina University. I also have attended the Georgia Archives Institute for archives management training.
- ✦ Before coming to ECSU, I worked for eight years at North Georgia College & State University (now University of North Georgia).
- ✦ Most of the joy I find in my job comes from our amazing ECSU students, staff, and faculty. I feel blessed to have been welcomed into the Viking family and do my best to support all Vikings and help them succeed and excel.

Name two things that people might not know about you:

- ✦ I collect movie-themed Mr. Potato Heads and have close to 50 of them, including almost all of the Star Wars character as Potato Heads.
- ✦ My BA in History took me 15 years and involved over 250 credit hours because I kept taking classes that were interesting, not necessarily classes toward my degree.



Interlibrary Loan Services



The library's Interlibrary Loan (ILL) service allows the borrowing of materials from more than a thousand libraries nationwide. While the G.R. Little Library facility has been under repairs and the university has transitioned to more online, less face-to-face, ILL has become a vital service to meet Vikings' needs. During the 2019-20 academic year, 86 ILL borrowing transactions were completed for materials needed by ECSU faculty, staff, and students. The materials requested were mostly academic in nature, but there were some

leisure reading materials thrown in by some dedicated readers in Viking-land. The 2020-21 academic year is off to a busier start for the ILL service, with 38 transactions in August 2020, more than four times the number of requests processed in August 2019.

If you need something that is not accessible or available through G.R. Little Library, please go to the [Interlibrary Loan Services Page](#) and fill out the request form or email Cynthia Horne crhorne@ecs.edu to request what you need.

Archives and WRVS 89.9 Collaboration



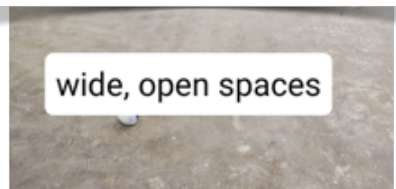
Historically, HBCU radio stations are valuable communication outlets for their communities and are visited by prominent local and national figures who want to spread a message. This was especially true in the Civil Rights Era, with powerful movement figures granting interviews to these college/university radio stations. As a result, this has created a collection of vibrant and significant recordings that speak directly to the fight for civil rights and the voices of those who were on the front lines.

However, historical recordings at college stations do not always find a home in their University's archives. The relationship between university radio and television stations and university archives is generally underdeveloped or not there at all. To correct this oversight, and with a bit of coaching from the HBCU Radio Station Archival Survey Project organizer Jocelyn V. Robinson, WRVS-FM 89.9 and ECSU's Archives are building a new archival collection of historic recordings and technology to preserve the invaluable collection of recordings and radio artifacts tucked away within the University's possession. With a small grant from the HBCU Radio Station Archival Survey Project and additional support from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting's Community Service Grant, a new archival metal shelving section has been purchased for the Archives to house materials currently in WRVS's storage facilities. This will allow the materials to be re-housed into the Archives' environmentally controlled storage area and for the materials to begin the cataloging and inventory process. In the future, funding will be sought to make digital copies and transcriptions of the recordings, so they are accessible to researchers.

(Thank you, Melba Smith, for assisting with this article.)



larger lobby!



wide, open spaces



space space space!

Here are some photographs were taken by Cynthia Horne from the main library renovation that started last year. Soon its doors will be open to library users again with new lighting and wide-open spaces.

Coming Soon! Want a sneak peek of the work on G. R. Little Library Renovation?



new lighting



more usable collections, when they are unpacked

Technical Services/New Items



Technical Services/Acquisition by Mary Jordan, Technical Services Librarian

& Leah Banks, Technical Services Assistant

During the COVID Crisis, the Technical Services staff members Mary Jordan and Leah Banks, cleaned up the online catalog to streamline the user experience. For fall 2020, the Technical Services will be inventorying the collections and working with the Access Services to improve the flow of user traffic of collections and best use of space for the newly renovated G.R. Little Library building.



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 social and diverse topics such as *LBGTQia+* & *Black Lives Matter*.

Title requests

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 at <https://libguides.ecsu.edu/materials-requests>.

Examples of Purchased titles

Media Titles



Academic titles



Fiction Titles



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Friends of the Library

Please contact Dr. Juanita M. Spence for Joining the Friends of the Library.

For electronic donations, under the ECSU main website, "Give" tab, please go to [Donate Now](#) and choose "Friend of the library (995708)" from the drop-down menu.

**The G. R.
Little Library**

welcomes

you to join...



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LIBRARY

Your membership will help enrich the intellectual and cultural environment for students, faculty, staff, and the community.

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- Library programming- author, poet, historian, and speaker events
- Friends of the Library annual banquets
- Buy equipment - Color Printer, DVDs, Books, Cameras, iPads, Portable Screens, Projectors, Furniture
- Support academic scholarships for students pursuing a baccalaureate degree

Benefits of Friends of the Library membership include:

G.R. Little Library card • Quarterly library newsletter • Souvenir • Invitation to all library events • Use of library computers and electronic resources while on campus

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YES, I would like to become a Friend of the Library

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- _____ \$10 Students
- _____ \$20 Faculty/Staff/Alumni
- _____ \$25 Individual Patron (Community)
- _____ \$50 Family
- _____ \$100 Supporting Organizations - sororities, fraternities, etc.
- _____ \$250 Personal Lifetime Membership
- _____ \$500 Corporate
- _____ Enclosed is my gift to Friends of the Library, to be allocated wherever the need is greatest for the G. R. Little Library.

*** To give online: <https://www.applyweb.com/public/contribute?s=ecsucont>

Send me information about:

Establishing named endowments

Including the Library in my will

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