The 3rd Annual Teaching With Technology Symposium a Success

The Third Annual Teaching with Technology Annual Symposium was held Thursday, July 24 and Friday, July 25, 2008. The symposium was sponsored by the UAMS Teaching with Technology Committee. The UAMS Library played a major role in the planning and supporting of the symposium. The main focus of the symposium was to show educators the various ways to incorporate technology in their educational practices. More than 125 educators, from both K-12 and higher education, attended.

This year's theme was Extreme Makeover: Course Edition. Thursday's symposium consisted of a morning filled with idea sharing for creative courses. One-hour break out sessions in the afternoon showcased some of technologies available. Topics included Podcasting, Wimba, PowerPoint 2007, SoftChalk and other tools used to communicate with learners.

Sponsors such as Wimba, Turning Point Technologies, 323Link, LifeSize, Complete Computing, Dell, and Blackboard met with Symposium attendees. UAMS sponsors included the UAMS Bookstore, UAMS IT Department, the Antenatal and Neonatal Guidelines, Education, and Learning System (ANGELS) Service, UAMS Peds Place Program, and the Arkansas Education Association.

One of the door prizes was a keypad system from Turning Point Technologies.

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University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Library
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Welcome New Faculty, Staff, and Students

Welcome faculty, staff, and students to the 2008-2009 academic year. We invite you to take a look at our website http://www.library.uams.edu or stop by and let our expert staff help you.

The Library’s website is a gateway to information including:
- Over 4,700 online journals under eJournals
- Course eReserves
- Online databases such as PubMed under eResources
- Request forms for Interlibrary Loan materials or document delivery services
- The Library’s Blog
- And More!

Hours
Monday - Thursday: 7:30am-Midnight
Friday: 7:30am-6:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am-6:00pm
Sunday: 2:00pm-Midnight

The main entrance is on the 1st floor of the Education II Building.
The glassed-in area of the 1st floor is open 24-hours for UAMS students and residents. After-hours access is gained through an ID badge swipe entrance CoPH south lobby on the 1st floor.
The LRC’s X-lab is also open 24-hours for students only. The ID badge swipe entrance is near the 5th floor elevators on the north end of the Education Building.

Computer Availability
118 computers are located throughout the Library for UAMS faculty, staff and students to use:
LRC 3rd floor (AV area): 12 computers. Internet/Intranet and Microsoft Office 2007, and many educational programs. Included among the 12 are 3 computers in rooms designed for group study.
LRC 5th floor: 45 computers. Internet/Intranet and Microsoft Office 2007, and many educational programs. Among the 45 computer are 11 computers set aside for computer-based testing and 2 computers for PDA Hot-Synching, scanning and PDF conversion.
LRC 5th floor X-Lab: 12 computers 24-Hour lab accessible by students ONLY, Internet/Intranet and Microsoft Office 2007, and many educational programs.
You can also bring in a laptop and access the UAMS Guest wireless network on all floors.

Remote Access
- You can access the various databases and eResources on the Library’s website from home as well as on-campus. You may be required to enter your UAMS login information. For more information contact the Library reference department at 501-686-6734.
- The Library also offers an eReserves system for students to access an article, chapter, excerpts, etc. Posted by their instructors. Each course has a unique password. For more information contact Mary Carson in the administration office at 501-686-6730.
- Another resource for course materials is the LRC Citrix server. Students accessing software on the Citrix server cannot print or save the materials, so it is a safe area for copy righted information. Only students enrolled in a course can access that particular course’s materials. For more information contact Loretta Edwards at 501-686-6738.

Questions? Comments?
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Winners of the 2008 HMA Research Award Announced

The History of Medicine Associates Research Award, for research in the history of the health sciences in Arkansas, is given to encourage the use of the UAMS Library’s Historical Research Center, in addition to other research collections, and to build resources on the history of the health sciences in Arkansas. There were two winning proposals for the UAMS Library’s History of Medicine Associates 2008 Research Award announced July 1, 2008, Drs. Linda Deloney and Erin Large.

Linda Deloney, EdD, was awarded an initial grant of $500, with another $500 upon completion, for her proposal entitled: “Standardized Patients & Clinical Skills Education at UAMS: Two Decades of Medical Education Leadership.” She, along with co-author Mary Cantrell, plan to finish the work by July 1, 2009.

The other winner was Erin Large, MD, a 2008 graduate of the UAMS College of Medicine. The title of her winning proposal is: “Public Health Efforts to Educate Midwives and to Improve Maternal and Infant Health in Arkansas during the late 1930’s to early 1960’s.” She, too, plans to finish her work by July 1, 2009.

The History of Medicine Associates, organized in 1982, is a group of people who like to share knowledge and information about the history of UAMS, medicine in Arkansas, and the history of medicine in general, and who work to support the UAMS Library’s Historical Research Center.

For more information, please contact Amanda Saar, Head, Historical Research Center, at 501-686-6733 or SaarAmandaE@uams.edu

- Amanda Saar

Arts of UAMS Showcases Photographs by Wes Watkins

The Arts of UAMS exhibitor for July and August is Wes Watkins, a sophomore in the UAMS College of Medicine. Although Wes has taken photographs in over 30 countries on 6 continents, his favorite photographic sources, from an outdoor perspective, can be found right here at home in Arkansas and around the United States.

As Wes describes, “as an outdoor photographer, I have found myself tending towards intimate landscapes; focusing on small, detailed scenes instead of wide, sweeping vistas. Through that lens I have tried, in this collection, to weave the loose framework of a simple, elemental story from two perspectives: a story of the delicate beauty here in Arkansas, alongside the more overt magnificence so many of us are familiar with from the rest of the country.”

The exhibit is on display on the second floor of the Library July 1 - August 31. The Arts of UAMS will sponsor a reception for Wes on Friday August 22, 2008 from 5:00pm - 7:00pm.

- Connie Wilson
Announcing the Library’s Research and Clinical Search Services (RCSS)

Have you spent more than 1 hour on a search and still aren’t satisfied? Let the RCSS librarians save you valuable clinical & research hours. We can provide customized search strategies and focused results to you.

The RCSS encompasses three main service areas:

- Free expert literature searches for UAMS faculty & staff
- Consultations regarding databases, search methodologies, output formats, auto alerts, etc.
- Training (one-on-one or small group) classes on databases, specific resources and customized sessions. We can bring the classes to your office, department or other areas across campus.

Frequently Asked Questions about the RCSS:

What Is an Expert Search?
Searches are performed by expert searchers in the Reference Dept. A librarian consults with the requestor to clarify the subject and to refine terminology & parameters. Next, the best databases are identified for the topic. Search strategies are built and results are compiled and emailed to the requestor.

What Is An Expert Searcher?
A library professional with training and in-depth knowledge in numerous areas such as: clinical & biomedical resources, databases & vendor systems, controlled vocabularies/thesauri, search methodologies, indexing & publishing processes.

What Do I Receive?
Results include the search strategies used, citation data (includes PMID#) and abstracts (when available). Customized output may be requested. Results Do Not include the full text of articles. The UAMS Library provides special search services for all UAMS faculty and staff.

Who Can Use RCSS & Is There A Cost?
This service is free to all UAMS Faculty and Staff utilizing our subscription databases. Non-licensed commercial databases are available upon request and costs are charged back to the UAMS requestor. Fee-based search services are available to Central Arkansas health professionals.

Situations where you might request an expert search:
Clinical / Patient Care Cases
Evidence - based information
Research / Grants (recommended for any human clinical trials)
Presentation / Conferences
Publication Preparation
Adherence to Federal Regulations for protocols

How Do I Request Services?
Email: RCSS@uams.edu
Phone: 501-686-6737 [Susan Steelman]
Online Form for Search Requests: https://www.library.uams.edu/forms/carsuams.asp

- Susan Steelman
Historical Research Center Adds Photographs of Artifacts to Digital Collection

Artifacts are the things connected with the teaching and practice of medicine in all aspects. The collection in the Historical Research Center (HRC) includes everything from surgical instruments and instruments used to examine cells and tissues, medallions, laboratory equipment to dental tools and x-ray tubes.

Suzanne Easley, Archivist, and April Hughes, HRC Assistant, have begun the fun, but tedious, project of photographing the artifacts owned by the Library’s Historical Research Center. These photographs, along with information about the artifacts, are being added to the HRC’s Digital Collection. The HRC Digital Collection can be found online at http://libcontentdm.uams.edu/HRCDigitalCollections.htm.

The Archives of the HRC accepts donations of artifacts because medicine is, in a very special way, very instrument oriented. Artifacts help illustrate the history of medicine in a way that words sometimes cannot do. While the HRC’s collection of artifacts plays a major part in the upkeep of the four exhibit areas monitored by the HRC, there are times when a closer, but not necessarily “personal” look is needed.

If you have questions or comments, contact Suzanne Easley at 501-686-6752 (after 4pm) or EasleyMyra@uams.edu or Amanda Saar at 501-686-6733 or SaarAmandaE@uams.edu.

- Amanda Saar

UAMS Campus Moving to Office 2007

The Library has upgraded to Microsoft Office 2007 on all of the computers within the Library. The software is being installed on the rest of the UAMS campus upon request. Contact the UAMS IT Technical Support Center at 686-8555 with any questions about installing the software.

An Overview/User’s Guide containing information about Word, Outlook, Excel and PowerPoint can be found at http://intranet.uams.edu/sms/office%202007%20quick%20guide.htm. A PDF copy of this User’s Guide can be downloaded there or can be requested by sending an email to Joanna Delavan at jdelavan@uams.edu.

Demonstrations of the software will be given soon as part of the Friday@Noon series.
Library Staff Changing

Three new employees have been added to the Library staff in the past year. At the same time, we have had to say good-bye to four employees.

Laura Underwood began working full time as evening circulation staff/desktop support in November 2007. In addition to working at the circulation desk in the evening, she assists the Library systems department with routine computer maintenance. This is not the first time she has worked for the UAMS Library. She worked part time here from October 2005 until January 2007. During that time she also worked in the reference department at the CALS branch downtown and as a weekend Chaplain here at UAMS. In January 2007 she quit all of her jobs and opened her own bookstore, Sleuths Mystery Bookseller. Since coming back to the UAMS Library full time she has closed the bookstore. Laura likes to work in her garden, play golf, read, and work with computers.

Natasha Hatchett was hired as part of the evening circulation staff in November 2007. You can find her at the circulation desk after 7:00 PM during the week. She has years of library experience having worked at both the Arkansas State Library and the VA Library. She currently works at the VA Library during the day and the UAMS Library in the evenings. When she has the time, she likes to read and shop, and she especially likes reading about places to shop.

Daphne Hyatt was hired as the Outreach Services Librarian in the reference department in April 2008. Before coming to UAMS she worked as a librarian at the University of Colorado at Denver Library. She, her husband, and their two children are delighted with their move to Arkansas and are having a great time exploring the state. They like to go camping, hiking, and are now learning all about fishing. When she’s not out educating people about the UAMS Library at outreach events, you can find Daphne on the first floor in the reference department.

Abby Holt, from the Library Reference Department, graduated with a master’s degree in public health from UAMS in May. She is now working in the Division of Health Statistics with the Arkansas Dept. of Health. Mike Crume and Chuck Byrne from the Library Technical Support Department transferred to the UAMS IT Department in July. Mike is in the Server Support Division and Chuck is working in Desktop Support. Lily Liu was the Librarian at the Arkansas Children’s Hospital Library. She moved with her family to Chicago. We wish them all the best of luck.

- Joanna Delavan
Teaching With Technology Symposium
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On Friday eight 3-hour hands-on training workshops provided a closer look at the technologies discussed at Thursday’s symposium. Topics included Blackboard 8, SoftChalk, Podcasting, PowerPoint 2007, tools used to add interactivity to online courses, and working with some of the tools used to communicate with learners.

The Teaching with Technology Committee was created in order to facilitate the use of technology in education at UAMS. The Teaching Resource Center, in the UAMS Library, enables instructors to use new technologies to develop course material. The Teaching with Technology Symposium is way to expand the committee’s mission to educators around the state.

- Joanna Delavan

Turning Point Technologies shows their audience response system to educators at the symposium.

Educators networked during lunch.

Library Adopts New Cell Phone Policy

The UAMS Library has adopted a new cell phone policy. The policy guidelines were developed in response to concerns from students, faculty, and visitors about the increased noise in the Library due to cell phone use.

When you enter the Library please turn your cell phone ringer and/or your pager off or set to a non-audible signal (vibration, flashing light, etc.). Be considerate of those studying around you, and keep your conversation short and your voice lowered when using cell phones. If you need to have an extended conversation (more than 1-2 minutes), go outside the Library or move to an unoccupied study room (2nd and 3rd floors) or the snack room (1st Floor). If you leave the Library to take a call, please be sure to take your valuable belongings with you. Please refrain from all conversations in the 1st Floor “Silent Room”.

If you wish to report inappropriate cell phone use, contact a Library staff member at the Circulation Desk or the Reference Office. We thank you for your cooperation in making the UAMS Library a better place to study and conduct research.

- Mary Ryan