Finals Snack and Coffee Station a Success

The library hosted a snack and coffee station during one week of finals (May 4-8) and it was a huge success! UAMS colleges generously sponsored one night of snacks for each evening of the event. Students were treated to Starbucks and Seattle’s Best coffees, donated by Jan Hart, Director of Library Operations. Library staff contributed additional snacks and volunteered to put out the snacks each evening and clean the station the next morning. Snacks included a wide variety of treats like chips, donuts, cookies, granola bars, and fruit in easy-to-grab portions.

Above the snack station and around the campus, colorful signs were put up each night with slogans meant to uplift students. They included messages like: “You are mint to excel!”, “Donut stress, study hard and do your best!” and “We believe in you!”

“We [Library staff] see first-hand just how hard students in the library study. Many of them are here regularly and work late into the night, in the early mornings, during lunch, and in between classes,” says Reference Librarian Valerie Howard. She and Loretta Edwards, Library Web Services Manager, proposed the idea of a finals coffee and snack station in an effort to encourage students without disturbing their work.

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“I know that the students are under a lot of stress during the last days of school and that this would be a simple way to give them a break and show them that we appreciate the effort they put into their education,” says Edwards.

Students also left comments about the event. One reads “Thanks so much. It is only a little thing, but it is a big boost during this particularly stressful time. Thanks!! We really appreciate it.” We beg to differ with one commenter who wrote “YOU ROCK...” and instead, insist that OUR STUDENTS are the ones who ROCK.

The UAMS Library would like to express special thanks to UAMS College of Health Professions, College of Medicine, College of Nursing, College of Pharmacy, and the Graduate School for their donations for snacks.

-Valerie Howard

Library Orientation and Literature Searching Classes Available

Prepare your students to synthesize medical evidence into practice. Schedule library orientation and literature searching classes for summer and fall.

The UAMS Library Reference Department will provide research instruction tailored to your specific course objectives or assignments. Our Introduction to Evidence Based Practice class can help your students identify the appropriate resources for their assignments. We provide a guide to the medical literature based upon the 6S pyramid of evidence. Students will learn what resources should be searched to find research in the medical literature from case studies, to randomized controlled clinical trials up to meta-analyses and systems.

RefWorks classes show students how to use this robust reference management system which sends references to a personal file from most journal and database online platforms. Students will be taught to use the RefWorks WriteNCite tool to create bibliographies or insert references into documents, papers or reports.

Our library orientation and introduction to research sessions are necessary for student success. We quickly cover basic navigation of the most heavily used resources. Students will see basic search strategies in several databases. We also make sure students are aware of how to get help and further instruction, if needed, during our Drop In Classes. We are booking classes for summer and fall sessions now. Please use the online form at http://library.uams.edu/library-services/reference/library-classes/ to request a class or contact Louise Montgomery, Education Librarian, at 501-686-6748.

-Louise Montgomery

Questions? Comments?
Contact the Newsletter Editor Joanna Delavan jdelavan@uams.edu
NIH Public Access Policy Compliance

UAMS librarians Susan Steelman and Jessie Casella have been assisting researchers on campus with NIH Public Access Policy compliance. The NIH Public Access Policy is a federal law that requires all NIH grant awardees to make peer reviewed publications arising from NIH grant funded research publically available in PubMed Central. Currently UAMS is at a record high of 96% compliance. Congratulations to all investigators and authors on their hard work!

UAMS librarians offer copyright and submission assistance to all UAMS authors and investigators. If you would like monthly compliance reports, a training in NIH compliance or help with copyright and the NIH manuscript submission process, please contact Jessie Casella at 501-686-8517 or JMCasella@uams.edu.

-Jessie Casella

MyChart Mobile Apps Available for Apple and Android Mobile Devices

What is MyChart?

MyChart is the mobile version of Epic’s MyChart portal which allows UAMS patients to participate in their health care. With the MyChart mobile app patients can use their iPhone, iPad, and Android mobile devices to securely message providers, schedule appointments, view lab results, manage appointments, view immunization history and more. MyChart also syncs with Apple’s Health app, enabling patients to sync MyChart information with their activity trackers and other Apple health devices.

How do I get the MyChart app?

MyChart is free to download and use; search for “MyChart” in the App Store or Google Play Store on your mobile device.

Patients who want to use MyChart will be issued a MyChart activation code during their office visit. This code will enable you to login and create your own user ID and password on the MyChart website.

Once you have activated your account, you can upload the MyChart mobile app to your mobile device.

Where can I find more information about this or other health related mobile apps?

-Valerie Howard
Google Scholar: The Good, the Bad and the Unknown

Google Scholar (GS) is a Google database of scholarly information. GS is gaining popularity among students and researchers for finding literature. Like any resource GS is very helpful for some tasks but unsuitable for others. A hammer is a useful tool but if you need to saw something, a hammer is not the right tool, thus it is with GS.

So when should you use GS for literature searches?

GS is part of Google and uses its search algorithm to process natural language. This makes GS a handy resource when searching idiomatic phrases. GS also provides access to grey literature - "That which is produced on all levels of government, academics, business and industry in print and electronic formats, but which is not controlled by commercial publishers" (GL'99 Conference Program). Additionally, GS provides bibliometric information for authors including $h$–index scores and recommended reading (Bohannon, 2014).

What are the drawbacks of GS?

The scope and coverage of GS is not clearly defined making it impossible to tell if you have retrieved all the relevant literature (Boeker, Vach, & Motschall, 2013; Shultz, 2007; Zarifmahmoudi, Kianifar, & Sadeghi, 2013). GS receives delayed updates from MEDLINE and other sources (Boeker et al., 2013; Mastrangelo et al., 2010). Results are displayed by the number of times visited and do not necessarily appear in order of relevance or date - this creates bias toward older literature (Boeker et al., 2013; Falagas, Pitsouni, Malietzis, & Pappas, 2008; Henderson, 2005; Younger, 2010). GS only exports to Zotero, and only one page at a time. Other citation managers like RefWorks, RefMan and EndNote are not supported (Bramer, Giustini, Kramer, & Anderson, 2013).

GS lacks many search control functions:

- No controlled vocabulary capabilities of headings like MeSH or CINAHL Headings (Bramer et al., 2013; Mastrangelo et al., 2010; Shultz, 2007).
- No field to limit to a specific journal volume and issue (Younger, 2010).
- Lacks limit/filter features of population groups, journal categories, disciplines etc. of PubMed, CINAHL and other databases (Bramer et al., 2013; Shultz, 2007).
- Truncation in GS is not well documented and inaccurate and no wildcard characters are available (Bramer et al., 2013).
- No search histories provided (Bramer et al., 2013).
- Only first 1000 citations are available to view (Bramer et al., 2013).
- Search strings have a 256 character limit (Bramer et al., 2013).
- Can only search by publication date, changes to content are not noted or searchable, thus making search reproducibility difficult (Bramer et al., 2013).

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Using GS for a quick search to find a few articles can be helpful. However, if a comprehensive search is needed, the UAMS librarians recommend using at least two databases that give the searcher more control over search parameters.

For more information about Google Scholar come to the Library Drop In Class on June 30. For questions about literature searching, please contact the Research and Clinical Search Services (RCSS) librarians at rcss@uams.edu or 501-686-6734.

-Jessie Caseslla

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Drop In Class Schedule for June

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Join the Library staff every Tuesday, 3pm - 4pm, in the 2nd floor conference room of the Library for in-person classes on a variety of subjects. Each month in addition to classes on scheduled topics we offer open sessions where you can get help with any topic of your choosing. One-on-one or small group sessions can also be scheduled for another time. Go to the Library Classes website at (http://library.uams.edu/library-services/reference/library-classes/) or contact Louise Montgomery at 501-686-6748.
Librarians Connect Arkansas Communities with Quality Health Information

UAMS Librarians exhibited and presented in six community events across the state March-May as representatives of the National Library of Medicine, South Central Region (NN/LM SCR.)

- Arkansas Cancer Summit, March 17th at the North Little Rock Wyndham Hotel
- Arkansas Minority Health Commission Kappa Health Fair, March 28-29 at the Little Rock Marriott Downtown
- Arkansas Association of Instruction Media, March 29-30 at the Hot Springs Convention Center
- Arkansas SOPHE Conference, April 10 on the UAMS campus in Little Rock
- UAMS Earth Day, April 22 on the UAMS campus in Little Rock
- Arkansas Public Health Association 67th Annual Conference, May 14-15 at the Hot Springs Convention Center

In March two presentations were given at the Arkansas Association of Instruction Media. Louise Montgomery presented “Quintessential Guide to Health Information from NIH.” Valerie Howard spoke about free resources and K-12 curriculum available from the National Library of Medicine about environmental health and toxicology in her presentation of “Arsenic and Old Lace: Environmental Health Resources from NLM.”

In April, Jessie Casella conducted two CNE continuing education courses. On April 7 she presented “Evidence-based Health Information Using PubMed” for the Arkansas Department of Health Nurse Managers. She presented “Free Websites for Your Patients from NIH” for the Arkansas Society of Public Health Educators on April 10.

As a Resource Library for the National Network of Libraries of Medicine, South Central Region (NN/LM SCR) UAMS advances the progress of medicine and improves public health through access to health information. We develop and provide a range of free classes, training to health professionals and consumers for the state of Arkansas. We are pleased to announce that we will be continuing our outreach services with an NN/LM SCR Award for 2015-2016.

If you are interested in scheduling outreach classes, exhibits or presentations for a community or health professional group, please contact Susan Steelman at 501-686-6737 or scsteelman@uams.edu.

-Valerie Howard
**SPOT Team Visits UAMS Library**

The UAMS Library hosted two SPOT Team visits in May during final exams to give our students a little “doggie downtime” from studying. Carol Skill and her therapy partner, Rusty, came to the library on May 6th and May 14th to visit. The students were so excited to have Rusty here and didn’t hesitate to have photo shot with their buddy. The popularity of this service with faculty, staff, and students combined with the support from our SPOT Team partners makes this a winning combination! Thanks to all who came out for Paws in the Library and we will see you again in the fall.

-Loretta Edwards

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**Casella Attends Digital Repository Class**

On April 17, 2015 Jessie Casella, MLIS, from the Education & Reference Department attended the Society of American Archivists Digital Archives class at the University of Arkansas Fayetteville campus with 31 other attendees from Arkansas and beyond. The class provided all attendees with information about beginning and maintaining institutional repositories at their own institutions.

Attendees learned the importance of selecting a repository program that would both hold and preserve materials, best practices, content and metadata, identifying all relevant stakeholders and their expectations, building a repository service and methods to maintain a digital repository.

If you are interested in talking more about a digital institutional repository at UAMS, please contact Jessie at 501-686-8517, JMCasella@uams.edu.

If you would like more information about the Society of American Archivists including upcoming classes, please visit their website: http://www2.archivists.org

-Jessie Casella
Leaving the Campus? Tips for a Smooth Transition from the UAMS Library

The faculty and staff of UAMS Library work toward making sure you transition without interruption to continued support and access to quality health information. Here are our tips for ensuring your transition is easy...

- **Make the library one of your first stops at your new location.** The librarian can be a valuable source of information about your new organization as well as clinical and research information.

- **Find your Arkansas UAMS Regional Center Library.** Regional Center Libraries (formerly AHEC) serve regions of Arkansas by county. They offer a host of services and resources including free interlibrary loans and access to journals and books. To find contact information for your location visit: [library.uams.edu/library-info/regional-center-libraries](http://library.uams.edu/library-info/regional-center-libraries)

- **Find your NN/LM regional resource center.** The National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NN/LM) offers a variety of resources by region and can help you find your closest medical library. Find your region online at: [nnlm.gov](http://nnlm.gov) or call toll-free 800-338-7657.

- **Contact Research and Clinical Search Services (RCSS) for continued assistance with your literature searches.** UAMS RCSS Librarians offer FREE expert search services to Central Arkansas health professionals in Pulaski County (Arkansas). Call the UAMS RCSS Librarians in Reference at: 501-686-6734 or fill out a search request form online at: [library.uams.edu/library-services/online-forms/literature-search-request](http://library.uams.edu/library-services/online-forms/literature-search-request). If you do not reside or work in Pulaski County, contact the Regional Center library that serves your area for assistance.

- **Make all articles citing NIH grants compliant with NIH Public Access Policy.** You can find more information about NIH Public Access Policy compliance at the UAMS Library’s site: [library.uams.edu/scholarly-resources/nih-public-access](http://library.uams.edu/scholarly-resources/nih-public-access). For additional assistance, please contact Jessie Casella at [JMCasella@uams.edu](mailto:JMCasella@uams.edu).

- **Take your RefWorks account with you – Be an Alumni.** Go directly to [RefWorks.com](http://RefWorks.com) or select RefWorks from the UAMS Library’s eResources page. To gain access, use the UAMS RefWorks Group Code provided in the initial email when your account was opened. You can also get the Group Code by contacting the UAMS Library Reference Department at [LibraryReferenceDesk@uams.edu](mailto:LibraryReferenceDesk@uams.edu) or 501-686-6734. Don’t forget to update your account user information and select your user type as “alumni”.

- **Use Loansome Doc to obtain copies of journal articles.** If you are not joining an organization affiliated with a library, consider registering for a Loansome Doc account. Loansome Doc allows PubMed users to electronically order biomedical literature. For assistance with the Loansome Doc registration process, call the UAMS Library Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery Service at 501-686-6744 or email: [LibraryInterlibraryLoan@uams.edu](mailto:LibraryInterlibraryLoan@uams.edu).

- **Load smartphone apps to connect you to resources.** The UAMS Library has an online guide for free or low cost medical apps. Select your mobile device and browse the list here: [library.uams.edu/mobile-apps-and-devices](http://library.uams.edu/mobile-apps-and-devices)

- **Visit UAMS Library’s “Health Professionals and the Public” web site.** This site lists resources selected by UAMS librarians for all health professionals and the public: [library.uams.edu/library-services/outreach-professionals](http://library.uams.edu/library-services/outreach-professionals)

UAMS Library faculty and staff wish you luck as you embark on new adventures. As you plan your departure, please contact the Library Reference Department if you need assistance at 501-686-6734, [LibraryReferenceDesk@uams.edu](mailto:LibraryReferenceDesk@uams.edu), or fill out the online Reference Question Form. Visit the [UAMS Library website](http://library.uams.edu) for more resources and guides.

- Valerie Howard
Resource Cancellations

After reviewing usage statistics for the Library’s electronic resources, we’ve determined that two subscriptions will not be renewed after their contracts end this year. The first is Docutek ERes, an electronic course reserves system which allows faculty to offer reserve material online. We’ve found that faculty are generally moving to Blackboard to provide a more consistent online environment for students. Faculty may still use ERes through the summer, but we ask that Fall course material be moved to an alternative platform.

The second resource to be cancelled is DynaMed, an evidence-based clinical point of care database. The UAMS Library, along with ACH and UAMS Regional Programs, has sponsored access for all Arkansas health professionals since 2007. We’ve unfortunately lost funding to continue this statewide program, and our current subscription will end July 30. For those interested in continuing with DynaMed, individual subscriptions are available at http://www.dynamed.com. For mobile users, the The Skyscape version using serial numbers is no longer being updated. But, a new mobile app has also been released, and download instructions are available here.

-Daphne Hyatt

Writing an Animal Use Protocol? RCSS Can Help!

The UAMS Library’s Research and Clinical Search Services (RCSS) group can assist researchers who are preparing animal use protocols (AUPs) for submission to the IACUC.

We can:

- Meet with you in person and explain the specific requirements of the AUP search procedures
- Show you how to perform the searches yourself and provide you with copies of our standard search strings that cover certain topics
- Review the searches you’ve done yourself before the AUP is submitted
- Provide searches for you to use, both the results and the strategies to copy into the AUP at Assurance Statement 1.

RCSS also performs database searches on request for other purposes; there is no charge for this service. To request a search, email to RCSS@uams.edu, call 501-686-6736, or use the online request form on the Library’s RCSS website: http://library.uams.edu/library-services/reference/research-and-clinical-search-services/.

-Sheila Thomas

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