

# Check It Out!

Merritt College Library Newsletter

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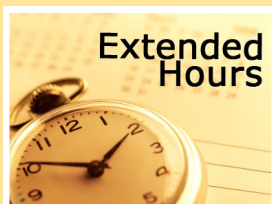
Fall 2015 Hours: M-Th 8 AM - 8 PM  
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Sat 10 AM - 4PM

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## New Fall Hours!



The Library now has extended Fall hours! Our new hours are:

Monday - Thursday: 8 AM - 8 PM

Friday: 8 AM - 4 PM

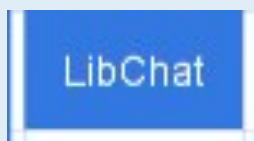
Saturday: 10 AM - 4 PM

## Chat With a Librarian

Have a question, but can't make it to the Library? We have a new chat service, called LibChat, you can use this semester! You can access LibChat and message a Librarian directly from any



page of the Library website. Keep your eyes peeled for the blue button below displayed on the right-hand side. Click that and you'll be connected directly to a Librarian here in the Library!



LibChat services are available during open hours. If chat is offline, you can search or submit a question to LibAnswers, the Library's knowledge base of frequently asked questions (FAQs).

## LIS 085



Want to learn how to be a better researcher? Want a course that will fulfill your computer literacy requirement? Want to know how to use all the resources we have to offer?

LIS 085 is a 2-unit, 8-week online course that will help you work through your research assignments and become a better researcher!

We're offering 2 sections (Sept. 8 - Oct. 30 and Oct. 19 - Dec. 11). See the Fall schedule for more info!

## ID Cards

Your student ID card is your library card. Get your ID card and Fall 2015 sticker in **R-124**. If you've never had one before, ID cards are **free!**



## Online Access

You can access all of our databases and e-books from home using your name and student ID number. Perfect for studying on the weekends or during holiday breaks!



Phone: (510) 436-2457 Website: [www.merritt.edu/library](http://www.merritt.edu/library)

## New Databases



The **ProQuest** databases offer full-text of major news publications such as the Baltimore Sun and Los Angeles Times as well as multidisciplinary coverage and access to a large collection of Psychology articles and abstracts. You can access these databases from the "Databases" page on our website.

## LibGuides



Want help with a specific research topic or course?

We're creating a set of guides, called LibGuides, to assist you in your research. These guides contain helpful

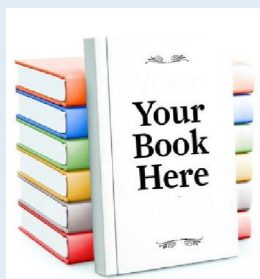
information such as what resources are available, how to search a database, how to construct a citation, and more! LibGuides will cover Reserves, Periodicals, courses such as Nutrition 10, and more!

## You're Invited!



Faculty, you're invited to review our collections for currency, accuracy, and completeness. We encourage you to come take a look, make suggestions, and request titles to enhance our collections. Contact Eva Ng-Chin x2462 for more information.

## Faculty Book Requests



We are accepting book suggestions from faculty to augment our **e-book** collection. If you have any titles you feel the Library should own, please fill out a request form located on the "For Faculty" page of our website. Instructors, you can link directly to e-books in your Moodle shells.

## Study Rooms



Looking for a place to study with friends or work on a group project? Groups of 2 or more students can reserve our study rooms for up to 2 hours with a valid Student ID card. To reserve a room, head to the Circulation Desk, present your Student ID, and we'll check one out to you. Rooms can be reserved up to 1 week in advance.

## Computer Use



Need to take a quiz, watch a video, or print a paper? You can use our computers for two 2-hour sessions per day! Simply log in using your Student ID number to access the Internet, Microsoft Word, and more to help you prepare for class. For assistance using the computers or printers, speak to a Reference Librarian!