

December Letter from Andersen Library

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University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

Library News

Films On Demand Trial: If a Picture's Worth 1,000 Words, What's a Film Worth?

Do you use movies or video clips in your teaching? Do you wish the Library's VHS tapes could be magically digitized? Or that you could stream an entire film via D2L?

Films on Demand is an online database of more than 6,000 streamed videos from Films for the Humanities & Sciences (FFHS). The Library has nearly 1,000 FFHS DVDs and VHS tapes. But if you need to use films for online classes – or if your students need to watch them outside of class time, Films on Demand can meet these needs.

The Library is conducting a trial of Films on Demand until December 18, 2009. So take a look and see for yourself how Films on Demand can enhance your teaching.

To access trial: <http://tinyurl.com/yacgtcs>

Trial ends: Fri. Dec. 18, 2009

Title lists: <http://ffh.films.com/digitallanding.aspx> (or see trial link above)

Feedback: Send feedback to your [Librarian Liaison](#) or email [Carol Elsen](#)



Withdrawal Symptoms

We're in the midst of two small weeding projects and will begin posting spreadsheets on the web site in December. Juvenile Non-Fiction is being reviewed for items that have not been checked out in more than 10 years. Main Collection computer books are also being reviewed for withdrawal. We'll send notices to appropriate academic departments as soon as title lists are available for their review.



Who Buys What for the Library

Faculty often ask for updates on what their department has ordered for the Library. We have a handy web tool that allows you to look this up yourself. Tim Salm, our new System Librarian, has the Department Acquisitions page up and running again. We didn't know how much we missed it until it stopped working in August. You may search for acquisitions by department, orders status, and fiscal year. <http://library.uww.edu/php/deptacq.php>

Holiday Giving: Art Books & More

 If you're making your lists and checking them twice as the holidays approach, stop by the Library's continuous Book Sale to do a little shopping. We had a recent donation of art books and those not added to the collection will be offered for sale starting Monday, December 7 at 2 p.m. The book sale carts are near the Food for Thought Café.

Reference Book Check Out

Now that Reference Collection books can be checked out for one day, we can't be sure to always find them on the shelf. So if your entire class needs to consult a reference book, you may put the books on Reserve. That way the first student to get to the book won't prevent the rest from using it.

