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Newsletter

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New Listserv available for Faculty interested in updates from the Libraries

Email e-ref@umsl.edu and state that you want to be added to the Libraries Update listserv to receive the latest news from the Libraries. Include your name and email address in the message.

SSN's are no longer used in MERLIN & MOBIUS

catalogs for book requests or library account access. In MERLIN, use either your SSOID and password, or your 0+8 digit university employee ID. In MOBIUS, use your 0+8 digit university employee ID.

Ovid has a new interface: OvidSP

And Social Work Abstracts & HAPI (Health & Psychosocial Instruments) databases now use the Ovid SP interface.

Elsevier's SCOPUS to replace Web of Science

And 1,350 journal titles added from ScienceDirect

The four University of Missouri campuses are providing a new, easier-to-use **author citation/article database**. After an extended trial, *SCOPUS* was selected to replace *Web of Science*. Improved searching, comparable citation coverage, and additional journal titles will be value added for UMSL's research efforts, and the Libraries encourage everyone to try the *SCOPUS* database.

SCOPUS is a citation and abstracting database covering 15,000 peer-reviewed journals from more than 4,000 international publishers. Coverage includes: over 1,000 Open Access journals, 500 Conference Proceedings, over 600 Trade Publications, over 125 Book Series, and 21 million patents. Titles are indexed back to 1996.

SCOPUS also includes the historical material published by American Chemical Society (back to 1879), the Springer archive (back to 1869) and is loading the archives of Elsevier (back to 1823), Institute of Physics (back to 1874), American Physical Society (back to 1893), American Institute of Physics (back to 1939), Royal Society of Chemistry (back to 1841) and the journal Nature.

SCOPUS covers all the journals included in *Science Citation Index* and *Social Science Citation Index* and in addition, includes many more peer-reviewed journal titles that these indexes do not cover.

While cost was not the only factor considered in the decision, the difference in cost of approximately \$600,000 over the 3-year contract weighed heavily in favor of Elsevier's *SCOPUS*. Another advantage to *SCOPUS* is that they are currently working with the journal publishers to add coverage back to the first issue for all their titles. Currently, *SCOPUS* provides titles back to 1996. This will be free to the subscribers, while each 5-year addition to *Web of Science* backfiles incurs significant cost.

One concern for the selection committee was coverage for the Arts & Humanities. **Access to Arts & Humanities Citation Index from another vendor will be added with part of the funds saved.**

Science Direct titles added

The four campuses are adding 1,350 journal titles of Elsevier's *ScienceDirect* online journals with funds saved by dropping *Web of Science*.

Web of Science will be available until the end of our contract, which expires in June.

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SCOPUS source list: <http://www.scopus.com/scopus/source/browse.url>

UM-St. Louis Libraries welcome new Head of Access Services

William Anthony "Tony" Garrett joined us in January as the Head of Access Services, which includes many of the public service areas in TJ Library – Circulation, Reserves, Shelving, MERLIN/MOBIUS lending and borrowing, and Interlibrary Loan.

Prior to coming to UM-St. Louis, Tony served as Library Director at Baptist Bible College (BBC) in Springfield, MO. As a member of the MOBIUS Executive Council, Tony's background with MOBIUS will be a great asset to the Libraries. He is an active member of the American Library Association and the Missouri Library Association.

Tony received his Master of Arts in Information Science and Learning Technology (Library Science) from UM-Columbia and is currently working on his doctorate in Higher Education Leadership from Nova Southeastern University.

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Mercantile Library to Host Frontier Cities

February 29 - March 1

Frontier Cities



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September 28-29, 2007

ST. LOUIS
February 29 - March 1, 2008

A Joint Conference Sponsored by the
Howard R. Lamar Center
for the Study of Frontiers and Borders, Yale University
and The St. Louis Mercantile Library Association,
University of Missouri-St. Louis

The St. Louis Mercantile Library is hosting the second part of a joint conference, "Frontier Cities" February 29-March 1. The conference, sponsored by the Howard R. Lamar Center for the Study of Frontiers and Borders at Yale University and the Mercantile opened its first part in New Haven on the Yale Campus in late September. Additional support for the conference has come from the St. Louis chapter of Les Amis.

The conference is designed to commemorate the groundbreaking work on the history of frontier studies in America by Richard Wade and John Francis McDermott. It highlights the work of many current prize-winning historians, considering cultures in cooperation, conflict and shared enterprise in various locales and eras. The works span Goa in the Early Modern period to Montreal in the eighteenth century; New Orleans in the seventeenth century to early Russian settlements like Sitka and Kodiak in North America. It also focuses on better known regions at times synonymous with the "frontier" such as the urban

American West.

The second part of the conference appropriately focuses a number of papers on St. Louis as well as the comparative experience of Detroit and Pittsburgh, and also highlights transportation, fur trade and cultural history. Noted historians John Mack Faragher and Elliott West will give opening keynotes in St. Louis. Professor Fred Fausz of UM-St. Louis will discuss his recent research on Auguste Chouteau. Peter Kastor from Washington University will read a paper on "Mapping the Urban Frontier". Carolyn Gilman from the Missouri Historical Society will speak on the early Revolutionary period trans Appalachian frontier.

John Hoover and Jay Gitlin from the Lamar Center organized the conference and are looking forward to publishing the many papers presented in an illustrated volume for Yale University Press. The conference appropriately takes place in February, the month St. Louis was founded nearly 250 years ago. For more information call Laura Diel at 314-516-7242.

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The Libraries' role in the accreditation process

UM-St Louis is preparing for the campus-wide accreditation process required every ten years. The US Department of Education recognizes the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association (NCA) as the official accrediting body for universities and colleges in the Midwest. Accreditation ensures that the university is eligible for federal research and scholarship funding, among other things. All campus units participate and contribute to the accreditation process. The major components of accreditation include a

Self Study document produced under rigorous guidelines, and the site visit by representatives from twelve peer institutions.

The Libraries participate by contributing information about their mission, policies, assessments, and planning. Additionally, the Libraries will be creating an online "resource room" to house supporting documentation and materials for the entire campus. Site visitors will be able to examine current and historic documents regarding the

workings of every department and unit on the campus.

During the site visit, NCA representatives will be able to ask questions of anyone on the campus. Everyone is encouraged to consider how their contribution helps in student learning. Directly assisting students in research, shelving books, ensuring the Libraries provide a secure and comfortable environment, are all important factors in the mission of the university.

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The Libraries offer online access to familiar Business reference resources

Value Line and *Morningstar* are now available online to serve the research needs of the campus community. Also, Standard and Poor's print subscriptions (e. g., *Industry Surveys*, etc.) are now available online from **STANDARD AND POOR'S NetAdvantage**. These

databases will better serve the research needs of the campus by making enhanced content to these publications available 24/7 on campus and remotely. Access is available via the database list on the Library home page, <http://www.umsl.edu/library>.

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