

## WILLIAM A EGAN LIBRARY

# @Egan Newsletter Convocation 2021 Edition

#### **Library Liaisons**

Library liaisons are happy to provide synchronous online or in person information literacy sessions or create research support materials that your students can access asynchronously. Liaisons are also your go-to person with other library related questions.

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Your liaison will send you an email letter communicating the latest for Fall 2021 – look for it in your inbox!

# Save the Date: 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Authors' Reception August 16<sup>th</sup>



Join us for the Sixth Annual UAS Authors' Reception, recognizing members of the UAS community publishing scholarly and creative work in 2020. All faculty and staff are invited. Featured remarks by Professor Jan Straley, and Friends of the Egan Library President Sherry Taber.

After the decision to hold a virtual convocation, we decided to keep this a virtual event as well this year.

We anticipate an in-person reception Spring 2022 to celebrate publications from 2021, so keep those citations flowing in!

## Library Open House: Coming Soon!

We anticipate a busy start of the semester, and are looking at doing Open House a bit later on again this year like last year. Stay tuned for more information!



### Egan Library mitigation and hours

We are hoping to remain open to faculty, staff, students, and the public throughout the fall, following campus mitigation strategies. Any changes should be reflected on the Egan Library webpage if something comes up.

One change we are testing after a year of shorter hours is closing earlier weekday evenings, and opening a bit later on the weekend. Our fall hours (starting August 21) will be:

- Monday-Thursday 8am-9pm
- Friday 8am-5pm
- Saturday 12pm-5pm
- Sunday 12pm-8pm

This fall the Learning, Writing, and Testing Centers will be offering both virtual and in-person services. We will have tutoring for math available during all open hours, and other subjects based on tutor availability. The most up-to-date information can be found on the webpages for <a href="https://example.center">The Learning Center</a>, and the new site for <a href="https://example.center">UAS Testing Services</a>.

If you know of a student who you think would be a promising math or writing tutor, please encourage them to apply for positions!

# Collections Update: Use Kanopy as much as needed!

We have worked hard in our budgeting to maintain resources from last year, which has included adding a subscription to <u>ArtStor</u> when the free access lapsed at the end of June. The big news is that <u>Kanopy Streaming Video</u> has a new payment option for us to finally be able to pay for the full year upfront, so that there is no need to be concerned about access lapses due to excessive use. **Please use Kanopy to the full extent you would like to for your courses**, to help us get a good sense of what the full demand is for this product.

#### Textbooks for Student Retention Initiative

The Egan Library received initiative funds to buy textbooks for our <u>Course Reserves</u>, as well as the Learning Center and Writing Center. Several years ago the library received a number of textbooks when the Bookstore closed, but the library has only been able to do so much to keep that collection refreshed. This infusion of funds is helping to bring in a number of new texts, including some ebooks.

The Course Reserves are generally not intended to replace the students buying the books for themselves, but to supplement for situations such as an ordered textbook arriving late, a student forgetting to bring a book they need to campus, or situations like that. Checkouts are for 3 hours at a time, and can be overnight if checked out within 3 hours of closing.

[Textbook Initiative continued] The library also continues to pursue Open Educational Resources, and library ebooks to replace the need for students to purchase course texts. If you would like to explore either of these options to help your students afford their courses, please get in touch with a librarian.

Expect word soon from us on what books we have added to the reserves for the fall, so that you can let your students know they can access the materials at the library – or to let them know about an available ebook!

# Ketchikan Campus Library joining the ALC

This fall, the <u>Ketchikan Campus Library</u> will be joining their catalog holdings with the <u>Alaska Library</u> <u>Catalog</u>, which will allow users in Ketchikan to easily find and place holds on the over 3.2 million items available throughout the state, and vice versa. This will also complete the merger of all UA libraries into a single library catalog!

# Library Science course options for the fall

Library Science courses are perfect for the student who needs a class to support a research project, who is new to college research, or who needs an additional credit or elective. Please keep these courses in mind when advising students, and if you have a research-heavy course don't hesitate to reach out to Kaia to discuss collaboration.

**LS 110 (Library Resources and Information Literacy)** and **LS 111 (Library Information Literacy for E-Learners)** will be offered again this fall, starting on September 7th. LS 110 will be held as a face-to-face class once again. LS 111 is still an asynchronous online course. These one-credit classes provide a solid foundation in the research process, and are a great choice for new students or students who are taking a course with a significant research component. Students will be allowed to use topics from their other courses or personal topics of interest to learn the steps in the research process, from developing a topic and search strategies, to finding and evaluating a variety of academic sources, and giving proper attribution.

# Website Redesign Update

The Egan Library team has been working on updating our website to the new look and feel like the main UAS website, and there will be more communication about this as we go along.

One change has already gone through, as we migrated away from the web links to databases to <u>our new A-Z list</u>. You can then limit by subject to see a databases-by-subject view as we had before on the website, as well as limit by vendors, subscription or open access content, and search the database list without having to search the whole UAS website! We have also added a resource for help tutorials for using the databases, with video and written information to help get the most out of our resources.



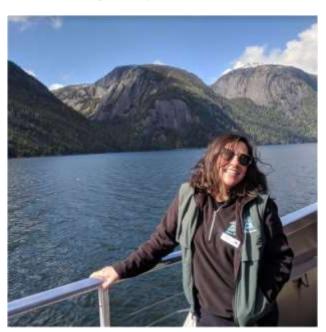
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## **CELT Update**

The Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching (CELT) is pleased to add Trudy Brown to the team as UAS's new instructional designer, located on the Juneau Campus. She has her M.Ed. from Delta State University, and has taught at the K-12 and university level. She particularly has interest in educational technology, instructional design, and increasing student engagement, and along with the rest of the CELT team will be available to provide a host of services for faculty. Expect to hear more from Trudy soon!

The CELT team is working on putting together another slate of professional development opportunities for faculty and staff. Workshops and events will be posted to the CELT events calendar, which can be accessed from the CELT homepage along with additional support resources.

### Introducing Jessy Goodman, our new Writing Specialist!



Originally from LA, Jessy moved to Northern California to earn her MFA in fiction and poetry at San Jose State University, where she taught English and Global Studies before taking a break from academia. Jessy has spent the last three tourism seasons working on boats and hiking trails in Ketchikan, where she fell in love with Southeast Alaska. She's spent a lot of time traveling abroad and domestically the last few years during the offseason, and hopes to move overseas sometime in the future! Jessy loves reading, trying all kinds of weird foods, and planning her next trip. Maybe one day she'll get a cat!

You can find Jessy in the Writing Center on the bottom floor of the Egan Library or reach her via the writing center email.