NEW FACES AND ROLE CHANGES

BY CHELSEA DELNERO

The STCC Library has had many staffing changes in the last few months. We’ve said goodbye to some beloved colleagues and welcomed some new faces as well. Read on to meet our new team members!

This past fall, Erica Eynouf took on the role of Interim Dean of Library Services. Erica has worked at STCC since 2011, formerly as a Reference Librarian and Electronic Resources manager. She has taught an Honors Colloquium on the History of Information at STCC and teaches graduate level courses in the School of Library and Information Science at Simmons College. Her primary goals as interim dean are to update the library’s holdings in order to create a more dynamic and robust collection and to oversee a smooth transition to the new library in building 19.

As the library prepares for the move, we know how important it is to make sure the technology services in our new space are top-rate. Dan Paquette, our new Electronic Resources and Systems Librarian, will be doing just that. Before starting at STCC, Dan worked in the Learning Commons at the UMass Amherst Libraries. He is a graduate of UMass and the Simmons College School of Library and Information Science. Dan

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will help students at the reference desk, teach information literacy courses, and coordinate the library's online resources.

This fall we said goodbye to our colleague Ruth Alcabes, Reference and Collection Development Librarian. Ruth left STCC to work on some exciting personal projects and we wish her the best. To fill her role, we are happy to welcome Marko Packard as the new Reference and Collection Management Librarian. Marko started at STCC in 2016, first as an intern and then as a part-time reference librarian. He graduated from Simmons College’s School of Library and Information Science in August 2017.

Additionally, we’ve welcomed Esther Roth-Katz to the library team. Esther is a Reference Librarian and will be working part-time, primarily evenings and Saturdays. Before working at STCC, Esther worked at the Emerson College Iwasaki Library. She looks forward to getting to know the students, staff, and faculty at STCC.

If you see any of these new faces in the library, be sure to say hello and welcome!

NEED WRITING HELP?
HERE’S WHERE TO GO!

BY ERIC WARREN

The library is here to support you, especially when it comes to helping with research for all your papers, assignments and projects. We’ll also help you with your citations. But did you know there are other places on campus that will support you with all aspects of your writing?

The STCC Writing Center in Building 13, Room 125 is where students can go for tutoring for any writing assignment – not just English! Peer and professional tutors will assist you with proofreading, spelling, grammar and syntax. They’re open from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Monday through Friday and can be reached at 755-4234. While you are encouraged to make an appointment, they can accept drop-ins as well.

The TRIO tutoring program has peer tutors available on the 2nd floor of the library. Although they are primarily focused on students in the TRIO program, they also will accept drop-ins if time allows. Please see a librarian for current hours and availability. Finally, the Student Success Center, across the lobby in Building 27, offers writing help to STCC students. They even have an online tutoring system called NetTutor, available via the STCC Portal. You can stop by the SSC for a schedule or call them at 755-4715.
STCC LIBRARY CHROMEBOOK/HOTSPOT LENDING PROGRAM IS A SUCCESS

BY DOT MOORE

Last year, the library purchased Chromebooks and wireless hotspots to loan to students. The program, which was funded by a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, has been extremely popular and we’d like to share some of the data we’ve collected about it:

FREE ONLINE COURSE TRAINING OFFERED TO STCC STUDENTS

BY CHELSEA DELNERO

Taking an online class for the first time can be intimidating. There are lots of things to think about and many questions you may ask yourself: Do I have the right computer and internet connection? Do I have to be online at the same time as the instructor? How do I submit my assignments?

The good news is that all of these questions can be answered in one excellent training session! Leila Haddad, STCC’s Blackboard Systems Administrator conducts several online learning trainings at the beginning of each semester. Trainings are offered online and a variety of days and times are available, so you’ll be sure to find a session that meets your needs. Check out the schedule below:

Tuesday, January 16 @ 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 17 @ 4:30 p.m.
Friday, January 19 @ 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, January 24 @ 4:30 p.m.
Thursday, January 25 @ 1:00 p.m.
Saturday, January 27 @ 10:00 a.m.

You can register for a training and learn more about online learning at STCC by visiting the online learning page on the STCC website: https://www.stcc.edu/explore/online-learning/

You can also contact Leila by calling 413-755-4335 or sending an email to online@stcc.edu
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In December we asked STCC students to help us make a finals week playlist.
Below is a list of the recommendations. You can find the full Finals Motivation list on spotify by following STCC Library

- "Dear Mama," Tupac Shakur
- "Embers," Owl City
- "HAPPINESS," NeedtoBreathe
- "Carry On," Fun
- "Play For Keeps," B.o.B.
- "Float On," Modest Mouse
- "One Final Effort," Martin O'Donnell, Michael Salvatori
- "Under Pressure," Queen
- "Vienna," Billy Joel
- "Copacabana," Barry Manilow
- "So Blessed," Navado
- "The Future," Mystery Skulls

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