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# Dacus News



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## Fantastic Treats and Where to Find Them!

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Come find fantastic treats and Harry Potter beasts in the library on Halloween, Monday, October 31st. From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. we will have Harry Potter postcards hidden around the library with a piece of candy. Each card has one of ten Harry Potter beasts on it. If you find all ten beasts, bring the

cards to the Information Commons desk, and we'll give you a gift card! Don't have time to hunt for all ten beasts? That's okay. Feel free to take some cards with candy. We do ask that you take no more than ten cards so others can find cards and candy too.

A little hint: there will

be very few postcards with the Basilisk serpent on it. If you find one of those, chances are pretty good you'll be able to find all ten beasts!

Please don't move anything around to find these cards— they will not be hidden inside or behind anything that needs to be moved. But do look high and low!

We hope you'll be able to come explore Dacus Library—there will be lots of fantastic treats to be found!



## Get Extra Research Help

### Book a Librarian



Working on a research paper but don't know how to find good sources? Trying to pick a database but don't know which one is best out of hundreds to choose from?

Then book an appointment online with one of eight librarians. We'll sit down with you and help you search for information through the library's databases and online catalog. We can even help you evaluate website sources as credible or not.

It's like office hours with a librarian. We'll teach you lots of tricks for searching within the databases and finding materials through the catalog that you otherwise likely wouldn't know.

So how do you book an appointment? Simply go to the library's homepage and select the quick link [Book-A-Librarian](#), then select the link to view the [calendar of available appointments](#). Choose a date and a time that

works for you and fill out the brief form that pops up. It's helpful to tell us what kind of research help you need.

A librarian will be notified that an appointment has been made and will contact you to let you know where to meet.

Save yourself some stress—**don't** wait until the last minute to do your research and **do** book an appointment with a librarian!

## Can't Find A Book You Need?



We have a free service called PASCAL Delivers that you can utilize to order books from other libraries. PASCAL is the Partnership Among South Carolina Academic Libraries. If Dacus Library doesn't have a book you're looking for you can request it through PASCAL Delivers and

it will usually arrive in 2-3 business days. Just search the [PASCAL catalog](#). If you find what you need, you can place a request. Select Winthrop as your institution, and when prompted enter your first and last name and Winthrop ID with the "W". When your item(s)

arrive via courier you will get an e-mail that they are ready to be picked up at the Information Commons desk. Bring your ID so we can check them out to you. PASCAL items check out for six weeks and can be renewed for another three. Now isn't that convenient?

## Five Ways We're Here For You During Exams

1. Twenty-four hour access most days of the week. Check out our [calendar of hours](#).
2. Coffee, coffee, and coffee! Oh yeah and hot chocolate and hot tea too! Free and available most evenings during exam week.
3. Great study spaces including small study rooms on the second floor, large group study rooms on the main floor and plenty of computers (both desktop and laptops—ask about laptops at the Information Commons desk).
4. Stress relief activities set up during exam week, including puzzles and coloring pages. Plus we have two FitDesks which are a wonderful way to relieve stress and get the blood pumping to your brain!
5. Need to return some library materials but don't want to haul them to the library? We're coming to Thomson Hall to collect your library materials on Study Day and the following Monday of exams. Look for us in the lobby area from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.



## Fall and Thanksgiving Break Hours

I'm sure you can't wait for the fall and Thanksgiving breaks coming up. If you'll be around Rock Hill during those times and want to use the library, take note of our different hours by going to the library's

[hours page](#). We also post our hours on the [library's blog](#), [Facebook](#), and [Twitter](#). Follow us to keep up to date on hours, announcements, events and much more!



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