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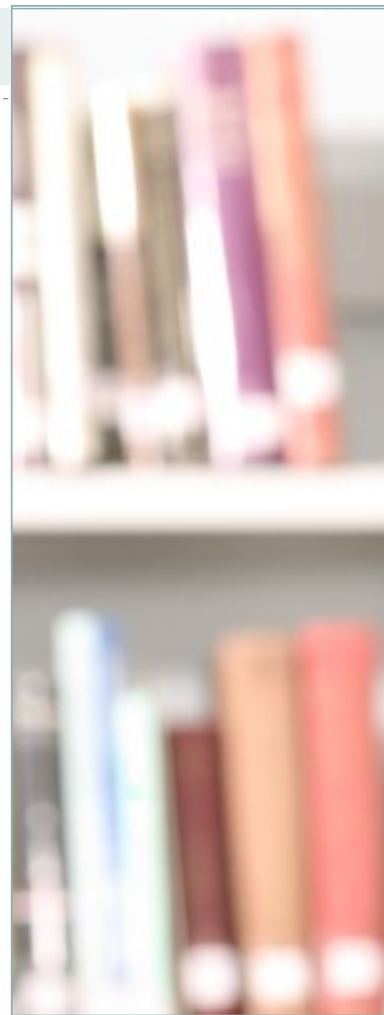
Information Literacy Initiatives

Cody Walters is the new information literacy librarian at Dacus Library. He is excited to work with Winthrop faculty members to help students learn valuable research skills. Students learn a lot about the basic functions of the library in Writing 101, however, library instruction can come in many different forms. Maybe you have assigned an in-depth history project. We can give a presentation to get your students up to speed on primary documents and how to find them. Are your students struggling with improperly cited resources? We can teach students about credible sources and correct citation formats. There are many ways in which the librarians at Dacus can tailor an information literacy presentation to suit the specific needs of your students.

We have a classroom equipped with 24 computers, where students can get hands-on practice with research strategies during our instruction sessions. We know that it can sometimes be difficult to bring your class to a different building on campus, or that perhaps your class has more than 24 students. We want to accommodate you in those situations. If you'd like for us to come to your classroom, just ask! We are dedicated to meeting our faculty, staff, and students where they are. In fact, Cody is working on new initiatives to do just that. He is attending study halls in an effort to make library services more convenient for our busy student athletes. He is also working with residence life staff to bring research assistance to students in the dormitories.

The big takeaway here is that the library is revamping our efforts to partner with all parts of Winthrop University. Dacus Library and its resources reach far and wide into our campus community, and our librarians also endeavor to reach out with research expertise.

To schedule an information literacy presentation, please contact Cody at waltersw@winthrop.edu or simply fill out this [form](#). We are ready to help!



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New Faculty and Staff Members at Dacus Library



Diann Smothers is our new head of Content Services. She also assists at the reference desk and teaches information literacy classes. Diann is available for research consultations through our Book-A-Librarian service. Her areas of specialization are accounting, finance, and mathematics.



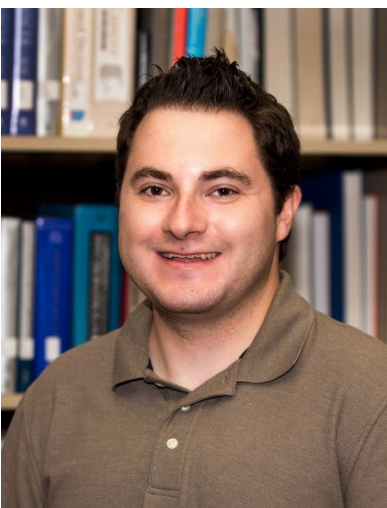
Cody Walters is our new information literacy librarian. He plans, promotes, and teaches information literacy classes. He also assists at the reference desk. Cody is available for research consultations through our Book-A-Librarian service. His areas of specialization are ACAD and nutrition.



Amanda McLeod is our new government documents librarian. She also assists at the reference desk and teaches information literacy classes. Amanda is available for research consultations through our Book-A-Librarian service. Her areas of specialization are social work and psychology.



Baylee Hughes is our new interlibrary loan and circulation assistant. She is the evening circulation supervisor and assists with PASCAL and interlibrary loan requests.



Christopher Girgenti is one of our new library specialists in Content Services. He is in charge of inventory for print and electronic journals.



Jeremiah Dahl is one of our new library specialists in Content Services. He processes and maintains the library's continuing resources collection.

Photos by Jackie McFadden

International Open Access Week begins October 22

Dacus Library is participating in [Open Access Week](#) from October 22 through October 26. This has been an annual –and global– scholarly communication event since 2009, and it has grown exponentially each year.

There are many benefits to Open Access, and Dacus Library wants to take the opportunity, during this internationally recognized week, to share and promote this valuable information with our colleagues at Winthrop University.

Beginning on Monday, October 22, and continuing throughout the week, we will be creating a space on the main floor of the library for faculty, staff, and students to visit at their convenience to learn about Open Access.

On Tuesday, October 23, during common time (starting at 11 a.m.), we will have a drop-in question-and-answer session in the library with Mark Herring, Dean of Library Services. He will be available to answer any questions or concerns you may have about Open Access, Digital Commons, open educational resources (OER), or any related topic.

On Thursday, October 25, during common time (starting at 11 a.m.), we will be showing the documentary film [Paywall: The Business of Scholarship](#), which explores the current climate of scholarship and publishing. We will provide popcorn, soda, and water.

Join us during Open Access Week to learn about this vital issue!

Digital Commons and Open Access

Digital Commons at Winthrop is an open access institutional repository that allows us to showcase Winthrop scholarship and digital collections. We encourage you to take a look at the collections included in our Digital Commons, and consider submitting your work and encouraging your students to do so as well.

In early June this year, our readership surpassed 100,000 downloads. Researchers and readers from all over the world have sought after and found our repository, our digital intellectual footprint. Our Digital Commons has more than 450 disciplines and more than 8400

papers, and we are growing every day. Not only are we showcasing faculty work, but also the work of our students. From our top ten most often downloaded papers, the majority are student work.

More importantly, by sharing our faculty work with those researchers on the Internet, we are saving the exorbitant cost of scholarly communication. With each faculty contribution, we take a stand for shared open access to research worldwide. Take a look at our [Digital Commons](#) and discover all the great work of this academic community.



LEARN. SHARE. ADVANCE.

Friends of Dacus Library Fall Dinner Speaker

Internationally known generational expert Alexis Abramson, Ph.D., will be the guest speaker at the Friends of Dacus Library Fall Dinner event on November 1, 2018, at 6 p.m. in the Richardson Ballroom. Her talk is titled, "Living to 100! - The Four Keys to Longevity."

Abramson is the resident expert on baby boomer consumerism for NBC's "The Today Show." The Emmy and Gracie award-winning journalist has also appeared on CBS, CNN, MSNBC, as well as many other media outlets. Her articles have appeared in Forbes, Time, the Wall Street Journal and on many blogs and websites. Her books are highly acclaimed: "The Caregivers Survival Handbook," "The 55+ Fact Book," "The Medicare Resource Guide" and "Home Safety for Seniors" all speak to this very vital and growing population.

Abramson's presentation outlines the four main components of successful longevity as

body, mind, financial, and social. She will inspire and inform you, no matter what phase of the journey you're on.

Tickets are \$50 each (\$25 each for Friends of Dacus Library members) and sponsorships are available. If you'd like to sponsor tables and/or advertise your business call 803/323-2232. Additionally, there are 23 spots still available for students, at no cost to them. Students will enjoy a free meal and also receive a cultural credit for attending this event. Please pass along this information, and the phone number above, to your students. This is an event that you will not want to miss!

Join Friends of Dacus Library

The [Friends of Dacus Library](#) offers an easy way to support the library. Your membership contributions support library programming, speakers, collections, or other Board-approved needs of the Library.

Friends of Dacus Library

Fall Dinner Speaker

November 1, 2018 at 6 p.m., Richardson Ballroom

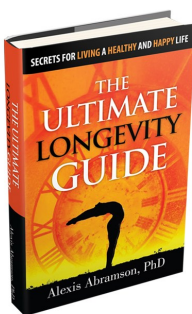
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Cultural Event for Students

Dr. Alexis Abramson

Internationally known generational expert



"Living to 100! - The Four Keys to Longevity"



Tickets are \$50 (\$25 for members)

Tickets online: <https://bit.ly/2D5RnRu>

Sponsorships available. Call for tickets 803/323-2131



Pettus Archives' Veterans History Project WWI Exhibit and Event

By: Emily Deinert, A/V Archivist and Reference Librarian

The Veterans History Project at the Louise Pettus Archives is hosting an exhibit and event to remember the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day, the day World War I ended. The event, “Armistice & Anamnesis: Remembering the Great War, 100 Years Later”, will be held November 9, at 11 a.m., and we are pleased to have Fritz Hamer, Ph.D. as our keynote speaker. Hamer is the Curator of History and Archivist of the South Carolina Confederate Relic Room and Military Museum and a World War I scholar. He edited the collection of essays, *Forward Together: South Carolinians in the Great War*, which was published in 2007. He’ll be speaking on the impact World War I had on the state of South Carolina.

The exhibit itself will showcase World War I era materials housed in the Louise Pettus Archives at Winthrop University.

The exhibit will be in three parts – The Front, The Home Front, and The Return Home – and will include items such as a WWI Navy uniform, photographs from the Allied front lines taken by Cpt. Charles Caldwell (Rock Hill native), German postcards, and an audio station with portions of an interview with Cpt. Francis Murray Mack (Fort Mill native) in which he talks about his experiences in France during World War I. Our aim is to highlight the experiences, both light-hearted and tragic, of local WWI Veterans and civilians, and to remember the sacrifices that were made to bring an end to the First World War. The exhibit is up now and will run until February 2019.

The exhibit and event are free and open to the public. Refreshments will be provided at the event. We hope you’ll join us in our remembrance of “The Great War.”

Louise Pettus Archives & Special Collections

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“Armistice &
Anamnesis:
Remembering the
Great War, 100
Years Later”

November 9, 2018
11 a.m.



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New Databases in our Collection

[Women's Studies Archives: Women's Issues and Identities](#)

Women's Studies Archives: Women's Issues and Identities provides coverage of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, and allows for the serendipitous discovery of commonalities among a variety of archival collections. Global in scope, the archive presents materials covering the social, political, and professional aspects of women's lives and offers a look at the roles, experiences, and achievements of women in society.

[Archives of Sexuality and Gender: LGBTQ History and Culture Since 1940, Part 1](#)

The Archives of Sexuality & Gender: LGBTQ History and Culture since 1940 present important aspects of LGBTQ life in the second half of the twentieth century and beyond. The archive includes historical documents, interviews, and gay and lesbian newspapers from more than 35 countries, reports, policy statements, and other documents related to gay rights and health, including the worldwide impact of AIDS, materials tracing LGBTQ activism in Britain from 1950 through 1980, and more.

| AUDRE LORDE

It is not our differences
that divide us. It is our
inability to recognize,
accept, and celebrate
those differences.

Be inspired by pioneers of the gay and lesbian rights movement.
Explore LGBTQ history with
Archives of Sexuality and Gender

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Halloween Murder Mystery at the Library!



Dacus Library is planning something special for Halloween this year... a murder mystery! On Tuesday, October 30 we are hosting a detective-style scavenger hunt through the library. Participants will have to use their sleuthing skills to find clues and solve the crime. We're giving out candy and prizes!