

# NAVIGATING THE INFORMATION UNIVERSE

## A New Way to Discover Information

This fall brings the launch of a new service for Miami University Libraries: OneSearch. OneSearch comes from the same people that bring us Academic Search Complete and a host of other databases. It provides a single search box to find Miami-owned books, DVDs, and e-books along with articles, books, and digital media located in periodical and other databases. If you are looking for an overview of resources on a given topic, OneSearch is the place to start. The service also provides several ways to focus your search for better results and, we hope, improve your library research experience. Just click on the [OneSearch](#) tab on the library website to give it a try.

## Expanding our E-book Collection

We are continuing to investigate and purchase e-books for the GHL collection. A recent [blog series](#) outlined our e-book collections and described some of our future plans. Over the summer, OhioLINK has added a large collection of scholarly e-books from Wiley (the titles are linked in the catalog and there's also a link to the collection on our site). We are eager to add these resources to our collections because they can be used 24/7, often by multiple users, and from a variety of mobile devices and computers with a web browser. But we want to know your thoughts and your expectations for using them. Take our [quick survey](#) to help guide our adoption of e-books. We also encourage you to consider:

- Recommending e-book titles for us to buy.
- Using e-books in your research (ask us for help in finding them).
- Assigning e-book readings to classes you teach.
- Reading e-books on our Kindles and iPads.

## Subject Guides Save Time!

[Subject and Course Guides](#) have been created by Miami librarians to get researchers started, whatever the information need. These online interactive guides are listed alphabetically by discipline, course, or information issue such as citing sources. Whenever you wonder where to start research, explore the library resources available by clicking this link, found on Miami library websites.

Guides of particular interest to Miami Regionals include:

- [APA Citation Style Guide](#)
- [Appalachian Studies](#)
- [Criminal Justice Studies](#)
- [Distance Learning Library Services](#)
- [Health Information Technology](#)
- [Integrative Studies](#)
- [MLA Citation Style Guide](#)
- [Nursing](#)
- [Preventing Plagiarism](#)

## French Connection

Midifest, the annual Middletown cultural event, is focusing on France this year. To honor the great culture of this country, the library has a display of books and movies covering French food, history and art, along with a collection of French literature, from the classic to the contemporary. The library will also be participating in 3 different book discussions, which will be held at MidPointe Library Middletown in the Douglas J. Bean Community Room



- *Paris to the Past* by Ina Caro, September 27th, 6:30pm
- *The Widow Clicquot* and *The Secret of Chanel No. 5* by Tilar Mazzeo, October 3rd, 6:30pm.
- *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* by Victor Hugo, date TBD

**Midifest runs from October 5 - 7, 2012**

## Research Struggles?

The library can help. EDT 251, *Effective Use of Libraries*, will now be offered as a hybrid class in the Fall and completely online in the Spring. Why should you take EDT 251?

### Learn to:

- Search smarter & faster
- Find the resources your professors require
- Identify what's what with information
- Save time (& energy) on future research needs

### Details:

- Earn 2 Credit Hours
- Fall hybrid class meets every Thursday from 5:30pm - 6:45pm, with the rest online
- Late 10 Week course; Fall class starts Sept. 27th



## Fall 2012 Newsletter

### Fall Hours:

Mon—Thu	8am-9pm
Fri	8am-5pm
Sat	Noon-4pm
Sun	Closed



### Embedded Librarians & Instruction Requests

As faculty you expect your students to apply robust research strategies as they complete coursework. When you want to encourage your students to search subject databases or have them narrow topics, create RSS alerts, or locate special source types like statistics, then consider collaborating with a librarian. We offer a [menu of instructional options](#) from which to select priority information literacy skills.

The Gardner-Harvey librarians offer various methods of working with your students. You may request an [instruction session](#) in a computer lab so students may practice demonstrated strategies. This works especially well when the instruction session is presented when students are starting the research project.

You may also request an [embedded librarian](#) for your LMS course so that customized content related to the research assignment can be placed within your course. This is convenient for students who regularly logon to Niihka, whether the class is face to face, hybrid, or online.

Just contact us when you are ready to partner with a librarian to strengthen your students' information literacy in today's digital world: [burkejj@miamioh.edu](mailto:burkejj@miamioh.edu) [longjh@miamioh.edu](mailto:longjh@miamioh.edu) [tumbleb@miamioh.edu](mailto:tumbleb@miamioh.edu)

### Questions about copyright and using e-resources in your classes?

A new page on our library site discusses how to apply the principles of fair use when using copyrighted electronic resources (such as journal articles, e-book chapters, and images/media from subscription databases and the free Web) in educational settings. Take a look at <http://www.mid.muohio.edu/library/fairuse.htm>



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### Meet your Library Staff

As we enter the 2012-13 academic year, we've made a few changes in our library staff responsibilities. We wanted to make sure that you knew who to turn to for various library needs:

**Beth Tumbleson, Assistant Library Director**  
Contact Beth to schedule an instruction session for your class or to arrange for an embedded librarian to work with your students in Niihka.

**Chris Mull, Circulation Supervisor**  
Contact Chris to place items on reserve, request items via interlibrary loan, or if you would like to have a DVD or video converted for students to access online through our Video on Demand service.

**Jessie Long, Public Services Librarian**  
Contact Jessie to schedule an instruction session for your class, to work with your students in Niihka as an embedded librarian, or to suggest themes for library displays.

**John Burke, Library Director**  
Contact John to order materials for the library collection or for general questions on library facilities and services.



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