



Fresno City College

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Meet Our New FCC Librarian

Fresno City College's new librarian, Lynne Kemmer, is a big believer in the power community colleges have to change lives. As an academic librarian, she is well-versed in the use of innovative information technology to facilitate research and enhance information literacy skills. She believes that the ability to conduct research to locate credible information effectively, using a variety of print and online tools, contributes to student success, as well as being a skill employers value in their employees.



Lynne attended Potomac State Community College and obtained her BS in Journalism at West Virginia University. Her professional life alternated between the marketing /public relations and art fields, and opportunities moved her to Monterey, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. In 2003, Lynne attended Monterey Peninsula Community College and she became a Speaker/Educator for the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising. She also worked as an environmentalist and that volunteer work cumulated in her positions as the Monterey County Coastal Cleanup Coordinator for five years, and PR Director for the Coastal Cleanup effort in Santa Cruz County for three years.

While working on her thesis in Santa Cruz, Lynne met and later married a local Central Valley resident, and they eventually settled in the area with their two boys. Lynne completed her MLIS from San Jose State in March of 2010, and soon after she worked as an Adjunct Librarian and Library Instructor at the College of the Sequoias, as well as Adjunct Librarian at Porterville College until being offered a full-time position here at FCC.

In her spare time these days, Lynne creates collage art using antique paper goods and ephemera, rescues animals, and most recently, spends quite a bit of time dodging Nerf bullets, balls, and other flying objects that are being continually launched in and around her family's home.

2013 Campus Nominee for Hayward Award



This year the campus nominee for the Hayward Award for Excellence in Education was the Library's very own Laurel Doud. Named for former California Community College Chancellor Gerald C. Hayward, the award honors outstanding community college faculty who have a track record of excellence both in teaching and in professional activities and have demonstrated commitment to their students, profession, and college. Laurel was an excellent choice for this award.

Through her RAP sessions and hours at the Information Desk, Laurel impacts the lives of students countless times each day. Her finely honed reference and research skills means she is often the first one to see how a change in a resource will effect students and is frequently the voice of reason in staff meetings. She has initiated several fun events for students at the library such as the cARTalog art contest, the Dr. Strangefrog graphic novel and the Casanova scholarships.

And for staff and faculty, she created this newsletter. I am very proud to work with Laurel every day and made her promise not to change one word of this article.

~Donna Chandler, Bibliographic Instruction Librarian

RESERVE MATERIALS

TIME FLIES BY...

Have you recently checked on materials that have previously been placed in the reserve circulation at the library?

Is there something still circulating that needs to be removed?

Have you changed textbooks?

Have you changed courses that you are teaching?

Stop by the library to see **Theresa Delaney**, call ext. 8165, or send her an email.

Instructors can also check the FCC Library catalog by logging onto the Library webpage and selecting **Library Catalog Search** under the DOING RESEARCH box. Select the drop down menu to the right of SEARCH and select **Author**. Type in your name (last name first, first name) and then add the word, **instructor**. Using the drop down menu, **View Entire Collection**, select **Fresno City College Reserves** and click the SUBMIT button.

If you do not find what you are looking for, you can also search under **Title** and type in the name of the course that you teach (fully typed out such as Psychology 2, or PSY 2). Again, select **Fresno City College Reserves** from the **View Entire Collection** menu and SUBMIT. You can then see if there are textbooks on reserve for that course. Review the information to check for the title and edition of the textbooks that you currently use.

If the results are not what you are looking for, please contact **Theresa Delaney** who is in the process of updating all the reserve information.

Library Hours

- **Monday--Thursday**
7:30 a.m.—7:30 p.m.
- **Friday**
7:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Tutorial Hours

- **Monday-
Wednesday**
8:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.
- **Thursday**
8:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m.
- **Friday**
8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

LI-118 Lab Hours

- **Monday –Thursday**
7:30 a.m.—7:30 p.m.
- **Friday**
7:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

LI-134 Testing Hours

- **Thursday**
3:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

Instructors may drop off and pick up tests in LI-134 during regular Tutorial hours.

LIBRARY INSTRUCTION SERVICES

The Library offers a variety of instruction opportunities for students.

We can arrange library tours, orientations, or research sessions focused on topics appropriate to your class goals.

Examples of services we provide:

- General tour/introduction to the library (About 15 minutes)
- Computer classes on the use of the library catalog, periodicals databases, or internet research. (A one hour workshop attended as a class.)
- For credit courses: Library Skills I (1 unit) and LIBSKL2 (3 units)
- RAP sessions (one librarian, one student) as requested by the student

If you have a large class and are unable to bring your students to us, we can arrange to come to your classroom, discuss library research, and demonstrate databases. If your class meets in the evening, we will stay late – if your class meets early we will set our alarms and get here as early as 6:30 am.

To see what the library can do for you and your students, follow this link : <http://www.fresnocitycollege.edu/index.aspx?page=2902>

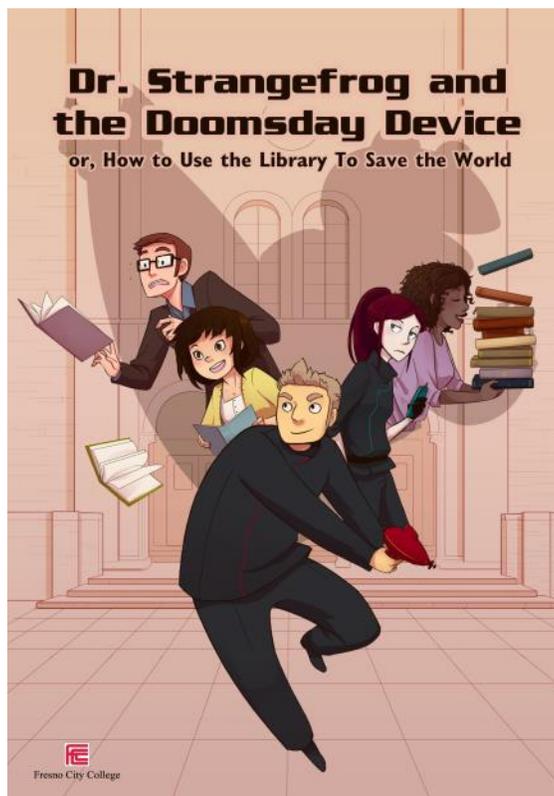
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the FCC Library is holding a fall membership drive. An annual membership in the Friends is just \$20 for Faculty and Staff and \$2 for Students. The benefits of membership include previewing items heading for the booksale, advanced notification of upcoming events, AND a free copy of our graphic novel, **Dr. Strangefrog and the Doomsday Device, or How to Use the Library to Save the World** (see the story in the column to the right.)

The Friends of the Library funds several scholarships, contests and events throughout the year. If you'd like to get involved, scroll down to the link near the bottom of the Library webpage. Auto-deductions are also accepted through the Foundation Office. Memberships are tax-deductible.

Dr. Strangefrog and the Doomsday Device or, How to Use the Library To Save the World.

In Fall of 2011, the Friends of the FCC Library held a contest to hire an FCC student to provide the artwork for our graphic novel on how to use the library. The Board chose Katrice Marroquin and the final product is ready for your perusal!



“The overall premise is to make students laugh and bring them into the library to ask questions. Libraries can really save your world.”

—FCC Library Staff

A copy is free with a Friends of the Library membership (Students \$2.00 and Staff \$20.00) Copies are also available at the FCC Bookstore.

IN THE STACKS

The library is converting from the Dewey classification system to the Library of Congress classification system. Books are being re-labeled and refreshed during the process. Items being processed are shown as a status of “Reclass.” If you can’t find a book, please ask for assistance from library staff.

As part of the book reclassification project, librarians are “weeding” the collection for old and worn items. All books withdrawn during this process are offered to faculty, staff and students as free.

ELECTRONICALLY SPEAKING

The library is beginning the process to move to a new integrated library system. A new look for the public catalog will be unveiled in May 2014.

Check out **Auto Repair Reference Center**. The database covers more than 34,000 vehicles from 1945 to present. Includes information and diagrams on most major manufacturers of domestic (U.S.) and imported vehicles, with repair information for most vintage makes.

Not finding that full-text article in your favorite journal in EBSCOhost? Try the ProQuest database.

Writing and Reading Center & Essential Skills Workshops

Essential Skills Workshops:

A series of educational workshops designed to deliver specific learning skills in areas such as reading, writing, and student success strategies across the disciplines. The 50 minute workshops are led by instructors but are structured to encourage student collaboration. Informative and interesting PowerPoint presentations are utilized in order to facilitate critical thinking skills and to assist students with learning the skills necessary to successfully manage the content taught in their coursework.

Subject-Verb Agreement August 28, 3pm LI-142 October 1, 10am LI-142	Paragraph Development September 16, 3pm LI-134	Sentence Structure September 18, 3pm LI-142 October 3, 10am LI-142
Was This Text-book Written in English? October 7, 3pm LI-134	Proper Punctuation October 30, 3pm LI-142 November 20, 3pm LI-142	Grammar Guide November 18, 3pm LI-134
Presentation and Public Speaking October 22, 10am LI-142	Instant Study Skills September 10, 10am LI-142 November 12, 10am LI-142	Analysis (Literature) November 25, 10am LI 134
MLA August 26, 3pm LI -34 October 16, 10am LI-142	APA September 4, 10am LI-142 September 25-10am LI-142	Writing a Narrative September 3, 10am LI-142 October 28, 3pm LI-134
What Good Reads Do September 11, 10am LI-142 September 24, 10am LI-142	Writing an Abstract November 5, 10am LI-142	How to Research: Finding a Topic October 9, 3pm LI-142
Writing a Cause/Effect Essay October 15, 10am LI-142	Poetic/Literary Devices October 23, 10am LI-142	Essay Structure November 14, 10am LI-142
Conclusions December 2, 3pm LI-134	Visit: http://fccwise.fresnocitycollege.edu/pages/fccwise_complete/index.html	

Math Placement Test Prep Workshops:

These workshops are designed for anyone preparing to take the FCC Math Placement Test, whether one has taken the placement test previously or not. These workshops are 3 hours long and are offered once a month and are led by trained math tutors with a detailed introduction of the test options and potential placement results by a faculty member.

There are 3 types of placement tests: Arithmetic Algebra Readiness Test, Elementary Algebra Test, and Intermediate Algebra Test. During the workshop tutors will review sample placement test questions and facilitate group discussion. Students will also learn about the different math tests that are available to avoid taking unnecessary classes.

Fall 2013 schedule:

Aug. 30th, 12:30pm—3:30pm
 Sept. 27th, 12:30pm—3:30pm
 Oct. 25th, 12:30pm—3:30pm
 Nov. 15th, 12:30pm—3:30pm
 Dec. 13th, 12:30pm—3:30pm

Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS) Program:

PASS is an embedded tutoring program currently serving various English and ESL courses through the direction of the Writing and Reading Center. This semester, PASS has extended its services to English 252 courses. PASS is an embedded tutoring program for writing and reading that pairs group-leadership trained tutors with specific courses. PASS tutors build a rapport with the instructor and students by attending class once a week and holding various study sessions throughout the week. The Writing and Reading Center is pleased to offer this service to the students of Fresno City College and plans to expand the program further in coming semesters.