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**40,951 Electronic Journals!**

Did you know that Clarion University Libraries provide access to 40,951 electronic journals?

These journals contain millions of articles on almost every conceivable subject.

Here are some numbers that might interest you:

- 41,170 ........ Total number of journal titles available to you
- 40,951 ........ Electronic titles
- 218 ........ Print titles
- 1 ........ Microform titles
- 10,095 ........ Open Access published titles (free to reader)
- $4,757 ........ Most expensive individual journal title (Nature)
- $418 ........ Average cost per individual journal title
- $479,185 ........ Cost of journals & journal databases last year
- 3%-7% ........ Typical annual cost increase per title

Where do you find these journals?

You can access most of them by going to the Library Web page, finding the green “Research” box, and clicking on the Journals/Magazines A-Z link. There you can search either for a specific title or browse the list by title or subject categories.

The Databases A-Z link provides information and access to all of the databases the Library subscribes to. Links to the majority of journals are available here. Two databases that include thousands of academic journals on a wide range of topics are Academic Search Complete.
and ProQuest Direct. Most other databases have a subject focus, which may be of interest to you too.

Don’t forget to check out the LibGuide, “Databases by Subject” that will direct you to databases on broad subject categories such as Business Administration, Education, Psychology, and others. Locate this LibGuide quickly by clicking its title in the green “Research” box on the Libraries’ homepage.

If you have questions or need assistance, stop by the Libraries or call Carlson Library at 393-2490, Suhr Library at 676-6591, or Clarion Online distance education students may call toll-free at 866-272-5612, (press #5 for Library). Remember that our Chat and other online services are available at the Ask a Librarian! / LibAnswers! link on our Website.

600,000 Words … 3 Million Quotations …
Over 1,000 Years Of English

The Oxford English Dictionary (OED) is widely regarded as the accepted authority on the English language. It is an unsurpassed guide to the meaning, history, and pronunciation of 600,000 words - past and present - from across the English-speaking world.

As a historical dictionary, the OED is very different from dictionaries of current English, in which the focus is on present-day meanings. You’ll still find present-day meanings in the OED, but you’ll also find the history of individual words, and of the language, traced through 3 million quotations, from classic literature and specialist periodicals to film scripts and cookery books.

The OED is available through the Libraries Homepage. In the green “Research” box click on the Databases link, then scroll down the alphabetical list or use the link to jump to the “O” section of databases.

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Collaborative Study & Presentation Rooms:

Do you need a place to practice a presentation or to work on a group project aided by a computer?

Two study rooms on Level A in Carlson Library are equipped with large, flat-screen monitors, computers, and webcams making it easy for students to work on group projects, or collaborate as a study group, and work together more effectively.

Available webcams provide the opportunity to practice, record, and critique presentations, or to involve others in a collaboration via software such as Skype.

Technical assistance is available at the nearby S.W.A.T. (Students Who Assist [with] Technology) Service Desk.

A similar, but portable, unit is available in the Charles Suhr Library on the Venango College campus.

This equipment is made possible by Student Technology Fees and the Center for Computing Services.

The Minion’s Master Moves: Browsing

The S.W.A.T. Minions remind you…

The week’s tip isn’t really technology-related but still important.

When you take a book from a Library shelf, it is called a “browse” in library terms. Please do not return a browsed book to the shelf. Instead, place it on one of the carts we leave at the end of the bookshelves. Library staff gathers “use statistics” by scanning the books that our users browse.

While we appreciate your being tidy, let us put the books away!
Cranial Candy: Word Of The Week

**exordium**

PRONUNCIATION:

(ig/eg-ZOR-dee-uhm, ik-SOR-)

MEANING:

*noun*: The beginning or introductory part of anything, especially of a discourse, treatise, etc.

ETYMOLOGY:

From Latin *ex-* (out, from) + *ordini* (to begin). Earliest documented use: 1531.

USAGE:

“*Reading the OED* ... is described in the author’s exordium with ‘I have read the OED so that you don’t have to.’”


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Tech Tip: Force A New Page In Excel

Most programs eventually get to a logical and consistent end of page. Excel has a lot of variables – such as font size, row height, and column width – that will determine when and where the new page will begin. A user can force a new page by using the Insert menu.

1. Select a cell where you want the page to break.

*Note: If the cell is anywhere other than column A, the page will break vertically and horizontally. If you only want a horizontal (between rows, not columns) break, the selected cell must be in column A.*

The new page break is inserted just above the selected cell (A7).

Although we do not “repair” computers, the S.W.A.T. Team (the Students Who Assist [with] Technology) on Level A of Carlson Library is always happy to help. Having an issue? Let us take a swat at it!

**Something To Think About:**

*Activism is the rent I pay for living on the planet.*

~ Alice Walker, author (b. 9 Feb 1944)