Recent Faculty Publications

Research Guides

Research assignments can be daunting for students. In an effort to facilitate the research process, Rutgers University Libraries have created a series of subject-specific Research Guides to help students narrow their search.

Additionally, customized Course Guides can be created that are tailored to your class and the assignments given throughout the duration of the semester. To find out more information on Research Guides or how to obtain a customized Course Guide, please click here.

Libraries increase support on copyright concerns

Many scholars, educators, librarians, and students find that, in the course of their academic work, complicated questions emerge about how to properly use copyrighted materials. Questions include:

- How may faculty make good judgments when selecting material for an online course, or for posting in the course management system for easy access to students?
- How may scholars and researchers most appropriately use copyrighted works in their own publications?
- What are the best approaches for contacting copyright holders? What strategy should someone take when it is not possible to identify or locate the current copyright holder of a work, in situations when permission is needed?

The Rutgers University Libraries play a central role in facilitating legally and ethically appropriate uses of copyrighted works in the academic environment. Continued

New service in the Libraries - scan to USB or email

Even as vast library resources continue to grow in an online environment, sources available in physical books and periodicals remain an important part of the research process. Yet some people would rather not carry around photocopied papers. New scanning stations in the Libraries provide a solution to this dilemma. Continued

Spotlight

PolicyMap provides detailed demographic info, on your desktop

With the Libraries new online resource, PolicyMap, researchers can obtain a detailed demographic profile of a community, conduct market research on home sales, mortgage originations, and foreclosure filings, identify localities with poor access to public transit or grocery stores, visualize pockets of poverty or unemployment, and discover neighborhood trends over time.

PolicyMap is geographic information system (GIS) software, an online data and mapping application that provides access to over 10,000 indicators related to demographics, housing, income, crime, mortgages, health, jobs, and more. The data is available in a number of categories and can be easily downloaded into CSV files for analysis. For more details, click here.

NEW Research Resources

Rutgers University Libraries are committed to providing our researchers with the latest resources available. A few of our new database acquisitions are:

- American Film Institute Catalog
- Electronic Enlightenment
- GenderWatch
- The Gerritsen Collection of Aletta H. Jacobs
- PRISMA (Publicaciones y Revistas Sociales y Humanisticas)
- Proquest Congressional Publications

Learn more about these databases here.

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