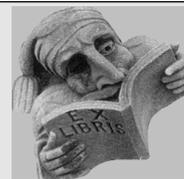


Library Lines



October 2002 - Francis A. Drexel Library - Saint Joseph's University

Drexel Library Just Keeps Getting Better

The Library underwent a number of physical and environmental improvements during the course of the summer in order to make it a more appealing and comfortable place for the University community to meet and study.



"Comfy" student seating



New periodical shelving

A section of the WebLab was redesigned with ergonomic tables and expanded to include a number of new and upgraded personal computers running Windows XP.

Work on the current periodicals area was completed with the addition of face-out shelving for journal display and the installation of carpeting.

Several more ranges of efficient compact shelving were installed to allow for the expansion of the Library's collections.

New armchairs and couches have been placed on the 1st and 2nd floors.

The Library's skylights were removed and replaced.

Last, but not least, the Library's air conditioning and ventilation systems were improved with new state of the art equipment. This should make for warmer winters and cooler summers in the building.



New ergonomic workstations

Drexel Library Welcomes New Librarian

The Drexel Library staff happily welcomes Erin Dauria as the new Serials/Shared Resources Librarian.

Erin is new to Philadelphia; she grew up in Altoona, Pennsylvania and spent the past nine years in Pittsburgh. Her library experience is varied. She has had cataloging and circulation duties in a law library, performed market research in a mid-size marketing firm, and worked in the Government Documents and Reference Departments at the University of Pittsburgh's Hillman Library. She has an English Literature degree and a graduate degree in Library Science from Pitt.

Erin is currently responsible for overseeing the Drexel Library periodicals collection and the Interlibrary Loan Department, as well as teaching library instruction sessions and working at the reference desk assisting students, staff, and faculty members.

For relaxation, Erin enjoys hiking area trails and walking in Fairmount Park. Welcome Erin!

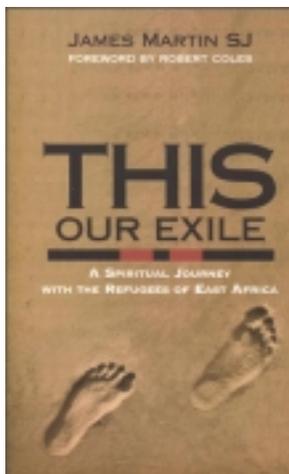


Erin Dauria

Author James Martin to Speak

In conjunction with the events surrounding the visit to campus of *This Our Exile* author James Martin, SJ during the Ignation Week of November 4-8, the Library has created a Web guide to provide background resources on the African continent, the plight of refugees, and the Society of Jesus.

The site may be accessed at the following address: <http://www.sju.edu/libraries/drexel/netres/thisourexile.htm>.



Father Martin will speak in the Library on November 5, 2002 at 2:00 PM. He spent two years in Kenya during the early 1990s while in training to become a Jesuit. *This Our Exile* is the story of his personal spiritual journey with the displaced peoples of Africa. It chronicles the day-to-day struggles of refugees making new

lives for themselves with the assistance of humanitarian agencies, such as the Jesuit Relief Services.

A new Library display will include some of Father Martin's photographs and memorabilia from his trip to Africa, as well as, maps and books from the Library's own collection. There will also be a display of items from the University's African art and artifacts collection.

New Diversity Materials

Over the past two years, the University's Diversity Commission has awarded grants to strengthen the Library's collection of diversity resources and to support a diverse curriculum and student body.

This year, books, videos, and DVDs are being purchased for African American literature, as well as videos for Asian Studies. A bibliography of titles purchased with the 2002 Diversity Commission grant is available at: <http://www.sju.edu/libraries/drexel/netres/diversity.htm>. Materials will be added continuously throughout the year.

The HawkCard Arrives

SJU rolled out a new ID card, dubbed the "HawkCard," this year.

This new card has been designed as a "one card" solution to handle a wide variety of functions. It is an ID card, a swipe key for secure building access, a meal ticket, and has a special smart chip to handle small-value purchases such as making photocopies and doing laundry. Eventually, the card will also be used for vending and snack purchases.

The HawkCard replaces the debit card that formerly was used in the Library for copies and printing. You can add value to your card using one of the two cash-to-card machines in the Library.

You will also need the new ID card to check out books. The campus Security office is set up to take your photo and create your new card in a matter of minutes; we encourage all students and faculty to get their HawkCard right away.

The ABC's of E-Materials

As publishers continue to make their journals and books available online, the Drexel Library collection of electronic journals and books has grown dramatically. We now have access to over 7,000 e-journals and 2,500 e-books.

The Library staff has worked diligently to simplify access to our e-journal collection. You can search e-journal titles in Jerome, the online catalog, and once you locate the full record of a title, you will find an electronic link. Click on the link to go to the database providing the journal. You can also locate e-journals by subject area by clicking on the "e-journal" link on Jerome's Collections screen.

An extensive guide to using our e-journals is available on the libraries Homepage (<http://www.sju.edu/libraries/drexel/>) under >Electronic Resources>E-Journals.

Electronic books have records in Jerome with URL links to the Web site at NetLibrary, the publisher, where you can browse and read the books online. To find all the e-books, search Jerome for the Series "netlibrary."

Now you can enjoy using many Library resources from the comfort of your own home or office.