

Ventura College Library

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Streaming Media Ad Hoc Group

Databases A to Z -- Online Resources

For off-campus access: Simply login to the MyVCCCD portal when prompted.

Academic Search Premier (EBSCO) (ASP) Similar to ProQuest Research Library, Academic Search Premier is a comprehensive multi-disciplinary library database that provides access to full-text articles on just about any topic imaginable. ASP contains access to over 4,600 periodicals, including almost 3,900 peer-reviewed journals, some going back to the mid-1970s or earlier.

ACLS Humanities E-Book An online collection of around 5,000 books of high quality in the humanities. These titles are offered by the American Council of Learned Societies in collaboration with thirty-one learned societies, over 100 contributing publishers, and the Michigan Publishing division at the University of Michigan Library.

America: History and Life with Full Text The best database to use to cover the history and culture of the United States and Canada, from prehistory to the present. This database indexes over 1,700 journals from 1955 to the present with full text access to more than 200 journals and almost 100 books.

Biography In Context This database combines award-winning biographies along with full-text articles from hundreds of periodicals. Search for people based on one or more personal facts such as birth and death year, nationality, ethnicity, occupation or gender, or combine criteria to create a highly-targeted custom search.

Business Source Elite (EBSCO) This database provides full text access to over 1,000 business publications, with access to some journals going back as far as 1985. Also included within this sources are more than 10,000 company profiles from Datamonitor are also included.

CINAHL Complete This database provides subject and keyword searching capabilities to specialized articles from more than 620 nursing & allied health journals. Evidence-based Care Sheets and health-related pamphlets are also included.

Consumer Health Complete (EBSCO) This database is good to use when looking for easy to read and understand health related topics and information. The database provides information from all areas of health and wellness ranging from mainstream medicine to "complementary, holistic and integrated medicine." Consumer Health Complete also includes "the Clinical Reference System and the Lexi-PAAL Drug Guide, which provides access to up-to-date, concise and clinically relevant books about prescription drugs.

The library has formed the Streaming Media Ad Hoc Group to explore streaming media databases to add to our offerings. This endeavor will also require the group to determine which database(s) may go up for elimination. The goal is to have a recommendation of which streaming media database would be best to add and which databases may be removed from our collection.

Thank you to the faculty members who have agreed to take on this task: Maline Werness-Rude, Ioana Schmidt, Maureen Newton-Eliot, Christopher Ward, and Mariana Branda-Gherardi.

Be on the lookout for our announcement at the end of this semester!

Lending Library Serves Nearly 500 Students This Semester!

On January 3 and 4, the library opened its doors to students hoping to check out textbooks from our Lending Library. Library staff and librarians worked prior to these dates to ensure we had current editions of textbooks or older editions of textbooks that were approved for use by faculty teaching that course. The days-of, they made sure students were able to locate the correct textbooks for their courses and checked out textbooks to students.

This semester we had 498 students check out more than 750 textbooks over the course of both days. Just imagine the cost savings to these students!

If you have extra or older editions of textbooks that you would like to donate to the Lending Library, please contact [Peter Sezzi](#).



New Books this Semester

In the month of January, we added 179 books to the collection. In February, we added 272 more. That's 451 new books added in just two months! You can see a list of these books [here](#). There are tabs at the bottom of the spreadsheet to see books added each month.

We are also displaying some of the new additions in the library's entry way (see picture to the right).

Stop by and browse some of our new books or, if you see anything you'd like to check out, search for the title in our [catalog](#), or let a librarian know and we can place it on hold for you!

Remember, if you don't see something you think we should have, you can always request an [order online!](#)



Greetings from Yvonne!

Hi, I'm Yvonne Rendina! I'm very grateful to be part of the Ventura College Library team. I adore my colleagues, our incredible students and the spirit on Campus.

I joined Ventura College as a part-time Librarian in the Spring of 2017. I've worked in public, private and academic libraries for over 20 years. My first library position was at the Ohio State University Book Depository, an archive of rare and forgotten books surrounded by cow pastures. I graduated with a degree in Philosophy and moved to NYC, where I pursued a Master's Degree in Library Science while working in the New York University Library. I'm passionate about listening to people's ideas and connecting them with the relevant resources to explore and expand.

The mountains, open skies and freedom of California brought me West and I now live happily in Ojai, with my family. When I'm not at the library - I'm wandering in nature, listening to 70's country rock, or playing with my kiddo.

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