How The Library Can Help You Transmit Knowledge and Lead Students to Wisdom

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Welcome

We have data all around us and we are constantly being bombarded information. This session will help you understand how the Library can help you and your students on the road to knowledge. This presentation has two parts – showing what library resources are offered and discussing of what is the nature of our business.
Library Services

• Library catalog and discovery tools
• Library databases
• Books and non-print media
• Periodicals
• Research and reference guidance
• Faculty support
• Library instruction
• Guides and forms posted on library web pages
• And much more if you ask ...

Library home page: ccc.edu/mxlibrary
Library Book Resources

The Library catalog has bibliographic records for all CCC Colleges representing about 280,000 items. The Library has books to support the classroom and research needs of the students and also recreational reading materials.

E-book collections
- EBSCO  more than 148,650
- ProQuest EBook Central  about 4,000
- Gale Virtual Reference Library  about 12,200
- Sage e-Reference Books  --  4000
Library Periodical Resources

- CCC subscribes to about 85 databases covering all academic fields
- Library subscribes to about 51 serial titles in print
- Databases give bibliographic and indexing access to more than 26,000 journals, monographs, reports, conference proceedings, etc. The coverage varies by title with the oldest from the mid-1800’s
- Databases offer full text access to more 9000 journals
Find the Library Home Page
The Library catalog may be searched from any Internet connection using this URL: ccc.edu/mxlibrary or library.ccc.edu

Use this page to connect to Library resources, additional tools and more.
From the District Home Page

Under Current Students, then Academic Resources, click on Libraries. Or go directly to the URL: http://library.ccc.edu
Library Catalog Search Screen
Sign in Screen

Enter your CCC ID and password.

Login is required to use databases off campus and to access your Library account.

Campus Login
Username
Password
Submit
Need help logging in? | Home
This page has an alphabetic list of all databases. Click on a link to go to the search page.
General Academic Databases

Ebsco Academic Search Complete
JSTOR. Arts & sciences
Opposing Viewpoints : In Context
Library Catalog
Ebso Sample Search Screen
Jstor has 1,900 scholarly/academic journals, 19,000 books, and 2 million primary sources.

Click here to try JStor
Visual Databases

Alexander Street Video Collections

- American History
- Black Studies
- Criminal Justice and Public Safety
- Health and Society
- Nursing Education
- World History
Library Publications

• The Library prepares displays that connect the collection to a timely topic or celebration. Frequently the book display has an accompanying electronic version. Link to electronic display

• Approximately every month school is in session News Your Can Use is prepared for the whole campus.

• Research and information guides

Links to all publications are on the Library Home Page
Takeaways

1. Library resources hold the knowledge of the past.
2. Librarians create the tools for systematic gathering, storing and retrieving of knowledge. The catalog is both a record of all holdings and a discovery tool for the databases.
3. The librarians are here to help you with creating assignments, using the Library and its resources, or giving advice on any information or knowledge seeking tasks.
Questions, Comments
Thank you for joining us. If you have any questions or comments on this presentation please direct them to Daniel D. Stuhlman in the MXC Library Reference Department 312-850-7244 (5-7244) dstuhlman@ccc.edu.

For library or database information direct your questions to your MXC librarians.
Questions for Discussion

What business are we in? What is our end product?

*How does information lead to knowledge and wisdom?*

What is the role of education in a society?

What do you see as the role of the knowledge in this process?
What is Knowledge? 1

Creatio ex-nihilo only happened at the creation of the world.

Everything we know is derivative. This “everything” is information. All language, all socialization, all civilization, all science is based on what came before us. Information is used for the creation of knowledge.

Our unique or new contribution is how we interpret and synthesize the ideas, the experience, and the experiments of others.
What is Knowledge Management?

Knowledge management is a conscious, hopefully consistent, strategy implemented to gather, store and retrieve knowledge and then help distribute the information and knowledge to those who need it in a timely manner.

The best computers and software are not useful without the people and procedures for using them. Knowledge management is a framework and management mind-set that includes building on experience and creating new avenues for exchanging knowledge. The strategy includes both the technological infrastructure and the human aspects that uses the tools.

For further information see: Stuhlman, Daniel D. “Knowledge Management Terms.” http://home.earthlink.net/~ddstuhlman/defin1.htm
Questions for Discussion 2

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What do you see as the role of the knowledge in this process?
Why are we Here?

Our job as educators is to pass on the knowledge of the past and teach the procedures for analysis and synthesis for the creation of the new.

Data are the facts, figures, and symbols that are the units of knowledge creation. Information is the relationship with the data. Information answers, what, who, where, and when.

Understanding patterns found in the information is knowledge. Knowledge answers the “how?” questions.

The application of knowledge, that embodies principles, insights, morals, and the incite for the future is wisdom. Wisdom answers the questions of why are we here?