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This generous donation will augment the 11,606 eBook titles (25% of the total collection) currently owned by the Library. eBooks can be located using the Find eBooks link on the Library website.

The SCC Friends of the Library was founded in 2005. Funds are raised to purchase resources and technology as well as assisting in the creation of special programs, such as bringing guest lecturers to the Library.

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http://www.sccollege.edu/library/pages/libraryfriends.aspx

Library Hours Extended

- The Library is offering extended service hours during the last two weeks of the semester.
- Beginning December 7th, the Library will open Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.
- All library services will be available during the extended hours.
- Library electronic resources are available remotely 24/7.
Library Adds Research Workshop

This semester the Library added a new workshop to compliment the existing MLA/NoodleBib workshop.

Research @ SCC Workshop

The content of this new workshop will include forming searches on a given topic, refining search results, differentiating between different resources, and successfully identifying components necessary to create a Works Cited page.

Citing Your Sources Workshop

The content of this workshop will include a discussion of plagiarism and ways to avoid it, the basics of MLA documentation and hands-on practice using NoodleBib, the web-based citation builder tool.

A full listing of workshop dates is available on the Library website.

Would you consider offering extra credit this semester?

Each student who attends the workshop will have a printed quiz with a Librarian’s signature as proof of attendance.

Title III in the Library

Due to the campus Title III Grant, we are currently able to purchase library materials in the areas of math, learning communities, and academic success. We added books and DVDs on basic math, math anxiety, and math study skills. For the Academic Success Center, we ordered books and DVDs on study skills, student success, and the basics of reading and writing. For the learning communities component, we concentrated on composition and research. Of direct benefit to all students, we acquired an online subscription database, CQ Researcher, that offers extensive information on current and controversial issues that aids students in their research. Access CQ Researcher by clicking on Find Articles and scrolling down to CQ Researcher. For remote access, click on the Connect from Home icon and enter your Webadvisor ID and password.

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The comprehensive databases range from general reference collections to subject-specific databases, like Academic Search Premier, for academic libraries (EBSCO).

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