Welcome new staff, Nora and Allison!

The Lee Library will welcome Nora Burmeister as our new Online Learning and Electronic Services Librarian on February 6th. Nora received her Master’s degree in Library Science at Emporia State University and her Bachelor of Arts degree in Comparative Literature at the University of Oregon. She has over eight years of experience working in libraries, most recently as a circulation staff and adjunct faculty member at Western Washington University in Bellingham, WA. She has also worked in libraries at the University of Western States, National College of Natural Medicine, and Clark College.

Nora has a passion for using technology to improve the experience of library users and ensure that library resources are accessible to everyone. Nora’s responsibilities will include providing research assistance and library instruction for seated and online classes, leading the library’s new embedded librarian program, managing all technical aspects of the library’s electronic resources and services, developing online research guides (LibGuides) and video tutorials, collection development, and other duties. Her work hours will be 7:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday – Thursday, and 7:30 am to 3:30 pm Friday. Stop by and give Nora a warm welcome after February 6th.

Allison Sills is our new part-time Evening Librarian on the Lee Main Campus. Allison earned her Master’s degree in Library Science at UNC-Chapel Hill, and a Bachelor of Arts degree in English/Education at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. Her library experience includes four years at the Chapel Hill Public Library and two years working abroad in the academic library at Zayed University in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. Her primary responsibilities will include evening library instruction, research assistance, assisting with LibGuides, archives support, library newsletter, brochures, programming, and displays. Her regular work hours will be 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm Monday through Thursday. Stop by and give Allison a warm welcome!
Fake News. What is it really?

Fake news. It’s a phrase that has been thrown around a lot lately. So what is fake news? It’s almost as hard to define as it is to recognize. Put simply “fake news” is completely fictional, often sensational news written to deceive you. Some websites intentionally write false stories to make you think about issues in a different way. The Onion is a website well-known for its satirical look at important issues. But some “news” sites are purposefully posting fake news and passing it off as real. How can you tell the difference? Here are some tips to help sniff out the fakers:

- Is the website a reliable source? Double check the URL. Does it have extra letters or just not look right?
- Are there spelling or grammatical errors?
- Is this news being reported on other news sources?
- Check the author. Fake news often has no author or an author with no verifiable credentials or past work.
- Are sources or citations listed? Check them.
- Consult websites that do all of the above for you, such as FactCheck.org, Snopes.com and PolitiFact.com.

CCCC Archives getting digitized

If you want to explore CCCC history in photographs, then check out www.digitalnc.org. While there you can read old yearbooks dating from 1967-2005 that have been scanned cover to cover! The Digital NC website also offers its Images of North Carolina collection where you can find us listed under contributors or you can browse by “location” or “subject.” In this collection you’ll find images of students and instructors from the 60’s, 70’s and 80’s from automotive mechanics, radio broadcasting, accounting business administration, data processing, cosmetology and many more! In the photo to the left instructors award nametags to students declaring them licensed cosmetologists during a celebratory reception held in the 80s.

Resource Spotlight:

Films on Demand

Find fun in our databases by searching Films on Demand. Want to learn yoga at home? Do you like archeology? Want to check out some classics on PBS, BBC, TED or NOVA? Like old film reels or want to learn more about everything from Mathematics to Psychology? Then check out Films on Demand!

SimplyMap

This award-winning mapping and data analysis application allows you to use and interact with complex data more easily. Created for both non-technical and advanced users, SimplyMap allows you to create professional thematic maps and reports with thousands of variables!

Find these and other databases at: www.cccc.edu/library/find-it/research-databases/
Get Your Student ID at the Library!

Stop by the library at either the Lee or Harnett County campuses to have your card printed. Chatham students have their ID cards made in the main building and get their library cards at the front office.

Please remember to bring proof of enrollment such as a printed class schedule or a receipt from registration. Returning students can always come by to get an updated Spring 2017 sticker with proof of enrollment.

Struggling with Research Assignments?

We have created online research guides covering almost every subject taught at CCCC. You can find links to the guides, LibGuides, by visiting the library website at www.cccc.edu/library. Here you’ll find a link that looks like the bottom right photo. Or just visit http://cccc.libguides.com/

Not only will you find ways to research your subjects but you’ll also find information on how to use the library, from finding resources in the catalog to help with creating citations. Short videos teach you all the basics, plus based on your feedback we have redesigned some guides to make finding information even easier.

Each LibGuide can feature instructional videos, eResources, how to read a catalog record, and how to find articles that are not only relevant to your subject but also peer reviewed.

Want book suggestions? Visit the “Fun reading @ the Library” LibGuide. View books suggested by our staff or browse a direct link to our catalog for each genre separated by library location.
Schedule Your Class for Library Instruction!

Give your students an advantage by scheduling an hour or two with us. In our computer lab our librarians will teach your students how to use all of the resources available to them. Instruction includes the basics of using the online search engines, how to effectively research their projects and papers, how to evaluate scholarly articles and think critically about the sources of information they will use in class.

The library offers full-length class sessions tailored to meet your needs for specific assignments. We also have 15-minute refresher sessions or a 5-minute introductory pop-in session.

To schedule an instruction session, please fill out our instruction request form available in the faculty section of the library’s website at www.cccc.edu/library/faculty/

Request New Materials!

Faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to request library materials. We will do our best to purchase requested materials that meet our collection development guidelines and as budget funds allow.

To suggest a title, visit our webpage and click on the “Suggest a Purchase” link in the “Request Forms” section of our “Help and Contact” page. March 1st is our deadline for this year!

We continually strive to improve our collection and your participation in this process is an importance part of creating a collection that is relevant, interesting and informative.

www.cccc.edu/library/help/request-forms/

Harnett Activities

Walkin’ and Talkin’ Tuesdays

At the Harnett campus, Librarian Jennifer Seagraves will be hosting an opportunity for faculty and staff to enjoy the fresh air and connect professionally with the librarians. During these walks, interested faculty and staff will learn about the work we are doing on campus.

Walkers meet outside the Miriello Building at 11:15 am. Interested faculty and staff can contact Jennifer at jseagraves@cccc.edu

Yoga

On Fridays at 2:00 pm enjoy 20 minute workouts in the Library instruction lab.

Access, Learn, Achieve, Succeed!