

Bluford Notes & Quotes



Core Collection Initiative by Wright Adams

F. D. Bluford Library turns the spotlight on our print collection with our Core Collection Initiative. This project is a 2010-2011 library goal to increase the collection, and ensures that feedback on library materials is incorporated from faculty members campus-wide.

The Core Collection Initiative requests that every single faculty member on campus send the library a list of five essential titles in their area of specialty. Whereas most library ordering focuses on new titles, the Core Collection Initiative intends to identify and fill any gaps in our collection of classic works

and essential writings. This way, every student will have access to those same great works that their faculty find most useful in their research and professional reading.

As part of the Core Collection Initiative of 2010-2011 the library has added over 1,000 new titles to our already extensive collection of more than 800,000 print volumes.

Library resources go far beyond books in the A&T Stacks. The library has the latest editions of textbooks in many disciplines. In addition to physical books, students and faculty members can access e-books from the

library's catalog, web site, and e-readers. Amazon Kindles and Sony E-Readers are available to check out from Access Services.

The Core Collection Initiative is a special project to focus intensely on the physical collection. However, the F. D. Bluford Library accepts and encourages recommendations all year, every year. The library hopes that this will remind faculty, staff, and students to give suggestions about fiction and nonfiction books and other materials to the library staff. Together we are building a great collection.

Feedback Key for Library Website by Stephen Bollinger

The library continues to work on improving our online services and resources, including our website and multi-search. Here is what you can look forward to:


- ✓ Our website has been updated based on the feedback we have received. The "Quick Search" has been improved, we have created a new footer with helpful links, and we are creating a better way to view our library workshops. We will further update our website in the summer of 2011. Future ideas include creating a mobile-optimized version of our website.
- ✓ Many people have asked for an effective multi-search, the ability to search across many databases at once. We are evaluating multi-search improvements and plan to unveil them in mid-2011. Our goals are to offer an easier to use multi-search that will also return search results faster.

would like to use multi-search, or whatever else is on your mind. You can use our online suggestion form, available whenever you need it, at <http://www.library.ncat.edu/suggest>

We will be offering other opportunities for students, faculty and staff to help improve the library and our services. Keep an eye on our homepage (<http://www.library.ncat.edu/>) for more news.

You can help us improve our services. Library staff listen to all suggestions and encourage you to contact us with yours. Tell us what you would like to see on your library's website, how you

"Knowledge is of two kinds. We know a subject ourselves, or we know where we can find information upon it."

 Samuel Johnson



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Aggie Traditions

A&T Register Digitized

The A&T Archives – your source for Aggie history – has a new, exciting project underway. Soon, you will be able to search old copies of the *Register* digitally. Get the real scoop on historical campus news from our award-winning student newspaper!

The F. D. Bluford Library PR Committee (*Nina Exner, Chair, Wright Adams, Stephen Bollinger, Judy Mayhand-Howard, Francene Moore, John Teleha, and Donna Royster*) thanks the library staff, all of our contributors, and the Aggie community for supporting the Bluford Notes & Quotes newsletter.

New Team Members

To help you with your information needs:

- ⇒ Andrea Allen, University Library Technician, has joined the Access Services team
- ⇒ Carlos Grooms, University Library Technician, has joined the Government Documents team
- ⇒ Darian Quick, University Library Technician, has joined the Collection Management team
- ⇒ Eric Saltz, Multi-Media Technician, has joined the Learning Resources Center team

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Aggie Technology

eBook Readers @ Bluford Library!

Now available at the F. D. Bluford library: Kindle DX[®] readers for digital magazines and newspapers and Sony eBook Readers[®] for e-books.

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SACS

According to an announcement from Chancellor Harold L. Martin, “The Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) reaffirmed the accreditation of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University at its December 4-7, 2010, annual meeting.”

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