FSW Library Services During Campus Closures

The FSW Libraries are operational and ready to serve students, staff, and faculty members during the period that the college is closed. We want to provide some basic information about how Library Services will work for our FSW community members, as well as highlight some resources available to everyone during this period of virtual learning.

Books & Other Physical Materials

While the libraries are closed, access to the physical collection of books will be impossible. Please know that by searching our online catalog, you may limit your searches to electronic books and streaming videos. All of our eBooks and streaming videos are available anywhere in the world with an internet connection by logging in with your library username (this would be your student, staff, or faculty identification number) and your pin number (this, by default, is the last four digits of your social security number).

You can access materials by either performing a (1) Catalog Search or (2) Articles in Database search as highlighted below.

During this period, Inter-Library Loan and UBorrow services have been indefinitely suspended at the state level, and will not be available in the coming weeks.

Reference & Research Assistance

FSW Faculty Librarians will be providing online reference help via the Ask-A-Librarian chat link located centrally on the library homepage at: www.fsw.edu/library
Ask-A-Librarian “Live Chat” will be actively monitored by your team of FSW Faculty Librarians ready to serve all of your research needs during the following hours each week during the campus closures starting Saturday March 21st, 2020:

- Monday: 10:00a.m. to 9:00p.m.
- Tuesday: 10:00a.m. to 9:00p.m.
- Wednesday: 10:00a.m. to 9:00p.m.
- Thursday: 10:00a.m. to 9:00p.m.
- Friday: 10:00a.m. to 9:00p.m.
- Saturday: 12:00p.m. to 6:00p.m.
- Sunday: Closed

Additionally, students may use the Email or Text Us links to communicate directly with FSW Faculty Librarians. Between 9:00p.m. and 12:00a.m. Sunday through Thursday, 4:00p.m. and 5:00p.m. Fridays, and 10:00a.m. to 12:00p.m. on Saturdays, students or faculty may still click on the “Live Chat” link for assistance from a State University or Florida College System librarian.

The Ask-A-Librarian link can be found in the center of our homepage:

**Additional Online Resources**

**Library Research Tutorial:** This collection of handouts and videos will guide users through the fundamentals of library research, including how to search the catalog and databases.
**Library Research Guides:** These guides, created and curated by your FSW Libraries’ faculty, promote frequently used resources for both broad subjects (i.e. Florida History) and specific courses (i.e. ENC 1101) taught at FSW.

**Citation Guides:** This is a convenient link where we collect the MLA, APA, & Chicago style guides from the Purdue University Online Writing Lab (OWL).

**cloudLibrary by bibliotheca:** cloudLibrary provides access to hundreds of eBooks that are academic in nature as well as many popular fiction titles, comics, and more. During this period of increased demand, the publisher has allowed increased access to subscribers such as Florida SouthWestern State College so, even if you have used the product before, there are more books available to you than ever before through the end of May 2020.

Please know that every single member of the FSW Libraries’ staff and faculty are here to help you during this period. If you can’t find what you’re looking for online, need additional resources, or need direct assistance you can contact any faculty librarian or reach out to:

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