

# R. BARBARA GITENSTEIN LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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## HOW CAN WE GET IT FOR YOU?

We get "it"! Your time is valuable, and you need your resources. This is where ILLiad gets it for you!

According to Bethany Sewell, Access Services Librarian, ILLiad (an acronym for Interlibrary Loan internet accessible database) is the resource sharing management software used to make the services possible. "Get It for Me" is the combination of interlibrary loan services, document delivery services and hold services. These services allow users to request material either owned or not owned within the R. Barbara Gitenstein Library. Gitenstein Library partners with over 17,900 libraries internationally to deliver research materials to you.

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Interlibrary Loan (ILL) is a service that obtains books, articles, book chapters, and other research materials not owned by TCNJ for students, faculty, and staff.

Document Delivery is a service that provides electronic scans of articles and book chapters from material held by TCNJ Library. With more than 600,000 books, over 28,000 children's/young adult books, access to over 80,000 periodical titles, and access to music and media, the Gitenstein Library has resources for your academic work.

Hold is a service through which you may request a book be pulled from the library stacks and placed on a hold shelf at the Access Services Desk for pickup.

Employees at R. Barbara Gitenstein Library's ILL Department are working behind the scenes for TCNJ faculty, staff, and students to help deliver books, articles, book chapters, and other research materials not owned by TCNJ.

According to Bethany, the Interlibrary Loan Department, part of Access Services, always looks for ways to make improvements to ILL Services. For example, turnaround time for articles in particular have been remarkable, averaging no more than a day thanks to RapidILL. RapidILL is composed of groups of libraries to support peer or consortium resource sharing. Currently there are 230 RapidILL participants.

Even if the Library currently owns the needed material, library staff can scan and send an article or book chapter of above-standard quality. The Library owns a specially designed ILL scanner, which ensures quality of the scans for borrowing libraries and delivery to our own patrons, and the scanner makes it is easier to maneuver books.

Lastly, if you do not have time to look for a book you need, why not let the library pull it for you? If you request a book through the Hold Service, the book is placed on hold within 24 hours of submission of the request.

For more information, please see: https://library.tcnj.edu/getitforme/



## "What in the world would we do without our libraries?"

KATHARINE HEPBURN



ILL Team: (left) Michael Rivera, Maurice Crawley, Bethany Sewell, Sharon Leggett

## TCNJ DIGITAL REPOSITORY

https://dr.tcnj.edu/

Materials from the library's Archives and Special Collections provide unique and distinctive windows into TCNJ's past, but they may be fragile or require special handling. Therefore, one of the library's top priorities is to digitize select items from these collections.

The entire collection of *The Signal* has been digitized. The Library has been adding other college publications to the collection: Graduate Bulletin, Undergraduate Bulletin, and Utimme Umana/La Voz Oculta.

#### Day of Giving Challenge to support this mission

Thanks to all those who donated, the R. Barbara Gitenstein Library raised \$2,850 and successfully matched a contribution by Rosemary Georganna '53 who gave \$1,000 because 40 donors made a gift in 8 days.

### FOOD AND DRINK POLICY

### (Effective January 2, 2020)

The R. Barbara Gitenstein Library is committed to creating a clean, comfortable environment conducive to study and intellectual pursuit. This policy achieves a balance between Library users' social needs and the need to preserve and protect the Library's collections, furnishings and equipment. With this in mind, reasonable limits are in effect in regards to food and drink. Food and drink are permitted in the Library according to the following guidelines:

Snack food is permitted in the library outside of the cafe area as long as it cannot cause damage to library materials, furnishings or equipment. Anything that can spill, drip or stain, is hot or aromatic, or is intended for consumption by more than one person, is not permitted. Liquids must be in containers with secured lids. The final determination of whether food is permissible rests with library employees.

Thank you for your assistance in keeping the Library environment clean and comfortable.

**Please Note:** The Library Café is the only dining area in the building. This policy explicitly limits the consumption of all non-snack items and all drinks that do not have secured lids, whether sold by the Library Café or not, to the Café.

### NJ CENTER FOR THE BOOK

On October 16, 2019, TCNJ proudly hosted an event with key speaker Jacqueline Woodson, the Library of Congress National Ambassador for Young People's Literature. Her presentation based on her theme, *Reading = HOPE x CHANGE "What's your equation?"* was sponsored by The New Jersey Center for the Book, the founder of the Literacy Alliance of New Jersey.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS EVENT,
PLEASE SEE:

HTTP://WWW.NJCENTERFORTHEBOOK.ORG/EVENT S/2019-JACQUELINE-WOODSON-CELEBRATION/

### **EXCEPTIONS**

## No food or drink is permitted in the following areas of the library:

- Near Library computers, including in the computer labs
- Near photocopiers, printers, scanners, or microform readers/printers
- Media workstations and equipment
- Within the Library bookstack areas
- In the Library auditorium

#### **LEAVE NO TRACE**

Please help keep the Gitenstein Library clean and free of unwanted pests for all Library users by disposing of waste in the trash and recycling receptacles located throughout the Library. Make a clean and pleasant library environment your responsibility. If you accidentally spill something, please clean up immediately (paper towels are available in all restrooms). Please report significant spills or messes to the library staff right away.

#### **NON-COMPLIANCE**

Determination of what food is appropriate for consumption in the Library is at the discretion of the Library employees. When in doubt, please ask a Library employee for assistance. Library employees will ask any user who is in violation of the policy to take the items to the appropriate areas to consume or discard them. Any patron who refuses to comply with the policy will be asked to leave the Library.

# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

For Andrew Simeone, it is more than fitting that he worked in the Library as a Student Media Worker. At TCNJ, Andrew was not only part of the Honors Program, but he was also a member of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society (liberal art) and Phi Alpha Theta (history).

While working at the Library, Andrew's favorite thing was helping people. His work prepared him for working in an academic library. It is no wonder Andrew pursued an MLIS. In May 2016, he graduated from Simmons University in Boston, Massachusetts.

After graduate school, Andrew began building his professional resume in the library field. His positions have included Reference Librarian at Curry College, Pubic Services Assistant at Wheelock College, and Library Specialist at Danville Community College.

This past August, Andrew moved back to New Jersey to be closer to his family. He is currently working in New Jersey, as a freelance reference/data collection professional.



"HAVING THE CONFIDENCE TO TRANSFER THE SKILLS LEARNED IN EACH JOB OPPORTUNITY IS WHAT MAKES YOU MARKETABLE!"

#### **Andrew Simeone**

History Major Chinese Minor Student Media Worker 2010 to 2014 Class of 2014

## LIONS ROAR!

EACH SEMESTER, R. BARBARA GITENSTEIN LIBRARY EMPLOYS A LARGE NUMBER OF STUDENT WORKERS WHO WORK IN ACCESS SERVICES, MEDIA SERVICES, INTERLIBRARY LOANS, LATE NIGHT, LIBRARY AUDITORIUM AND LIBRARY DEAN'S OFFICE. LET'S GET TO KNOW TWO MEDIA SUPERVISOR STUDENTS WHO WORK QUIETLY ON THE FOURTH FLOOR MEDIA SERVICES DESK.

### ANNA ELIZABETH GELSON

Psychology Major Music Minor Class of 2021

### **Interviewer:** Anna, thank you for speaking with me.

When did you begin working in the Media Department?

**Anna:** I began my career as a Student Media Worker in spring 2019.

**Interviewer**: What is your favorite part of working in the library?

**Anna**: The environment. It is quiet on the 4th floor. I can gather my thoughts. Plus the people in the library are very pleasant, staff and co-workers.



**Interviewer:** We are nice here! Thank you. I see you are a music minor. Do you play a musical instrument?

**Anna:** I play the trumpet in the concert band and sing alto. I also was the drum major of the marching band in high school.

**Interviewer:** That is a lot of noise for the library. No wonder you like the quiet on the fourth floor. Just kidding. That is amazing. In a short time, you will be trading in your trumpet for reading days and finals. Please share with us how you relax and take care of yourself to reduce stress.

**Anna:** I like to hike, walk, nature (summer), friends, color. There are movie nights, and I play card games with friends every Wednesday.

**Interviewer:** That sounds like fun. Okay, the most important request. We, at the library, enjoy hearing about our student workers' accomplishments at TCNJ. Please take a moment to share a few of your many accomplishments here at TCNI.

**Anna:** I was part of the class who founded Sigma Alpha lota. It is an International music fraternity with Professor Suzanne Hickman. I am also President of TCNJ Unified Sports. We partner with Special Olympics. I am also a Save Peer Educator with Anti-Violence Initiatives.

**Interviewer:** Thank you, Anna. A very proud roar to you!

## AVIVA RON Women Genders and Sexuality Studies Major Queer and Sexualities Study Minor Class of 2020

Interviewer: Aviva, thanks for taking time to speak with me. I have known you for a couple of years, so it is nice to get to know you better. When did you begin working at the library?



**Aviva:** I started here in May 2018 as a Media Student Worker, and then I was promoted to Student Media Supervisor.

**Interviewer:** Congratulations! Well-deserved. I know you worked diligently for us in the summer months. Tell us why you enjoy working in the library media department?

**Aviva:** The faculty and staff are friendly. It is a comradery. My supervisor is amazing. It is a relaxing, and professional environment.

Interviewer: Way to shout out your supervisor, Aviva. I am sure she will read this interview. I know comradery and support are important to you. Could you tell me about your experience with any TCNJ faculty who you would like to also give a "shout out."

Aviva: The Women, Gender and Sexuality students have been super helpful and academically fulfilling. I enjoyed the relationships which I built with the faculty especially Professor Janet Gray and Professor Leigh-Anne Francis. I am also appreciative of Disability Studies. I have been active in Prism, Diversity and Inclusion Department, Disability Pride. I would like to see even more resources and services on diversity and inclusion, and disability support and mental health.

**Interviewer:** Aviva, did you also contribute with research efforts at TCNJ? Do you think you might want to continue as a researcher?

**Aviva:** Yes, I helped with the student-led campus climate survey for LBGTQ. I analyzed the results. I was also active in Prism, Diversity and Inclusion Department, and Disability Pride. After graduation, I am hoping to do research on embodiment and fat studies. Maybe being a professor is in my future.

**Interviewer:** I have no doubt you will accomplish all your goals. You have already accomplished so much here at TCNJ, which leads me to our last question. Could you please take a moment to share a recent accolade you received?

**Aviva:** I am the first winner of the LBGT Leadership Award for 2018 – 2019.

**Interviewer:** Congratulations! A Loud Roar to you, Aviva!

## ERIN ACKERMAN

Social Sciences Librarian 2019 NJLA College and University Section Research Forum Selection



Congratulations to Social Sciences Librarian Erin Ackerman and her coauthors, Jennifer Hunter (Princeton University) and Zara Wilkinson (Rutgers University-Camden), whose article "The Availability and Effectiveness of Research Supports for Early Career Academic Librarians" in the *Journal of Academic Librarianship* was chosen as the New Jersey Library Association College and University Section's Research Forum selection.

Ackerman and her co-authors examined how early career academic librarians navigate the research and publishing demands of the tenure and promotion process alongside the demands of their work duties and schedules, and the lack of research methods training in many library school curricula. Using a survey of more than 200 untenured or recently tenured academic librarians, they investigated early career academic librarians' access to and experiences with research support activities designed to develop research skills and confidence, such as informal mentoring, formal mentoring programs, and writing groups. They found that early career librarians need supports that target three dimensions of the research experience: research design and methods; work practices and accountability; and emotional elements. Despite this, survey respondents had limited access to formal research supports that offer instruction and guidance in the research process, leaving them to rely heavily on informal mentoring. Their study highlights the need for libraries and library organizations to invest their resources in research supports for early career academic librarians. The authors make recommendations of steps libraries and library organizations can take to support librarians as effective and productive researchers, such as offering formal research supports, valuing collaboration in tenure and promotion guidelines, and facilitating networking in order to establish and enhance informal mentoring relationships.

Ackerman, E., Hunter, J. & Wilkinson, Z. (2018). The availability and effectiveness of research supports for early career academic librarians. Journal of Academic Librarianship, 44(5): 553-568. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.acalib.2018.06.001.

Find a record for this article in the library's discovery system: https://tcnj.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01COLLNJ\_INST/1a030js/elsevier\_sdoi\_10\_1016\_j\_acalib\_2018\_06\_001.

### **YUJI TOSAKA**

## Cataloging and Metadata Librarian 2019 Technical Services Award

Yuji Tosaka was selected as the recipient of the 2019 NJLA CUS/ACRL-NJ Technical Services Award

This award recognizes distinguished technical services leadership in academic libraries. It is awarded to a librarian who has worked in collections and technical services including but not limited to: acquisitions, cataloging, metadata, collection management, preservation, and electronic and continuing resources, and who has made significant contributions to enhance and advance technical services librarianship.

Please use the the link below for more information about this recognition of Yuji Tosaka's work:

https://cus.njla.org/content/newsletter/spring2019.

Dr. Tosaka , Congratulations!



### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Librarians can help you wrap up your semester! With reading days and finals coming up, remember there is more than one way to contact a librarian. You can find Reference Desk hours on our website at https://library.tcnj.edu/about-the-library/hours-of-operation/.

### Text your Question: SMS: (609) 482-3981



Librarians are available during Reference Desk hours. Regular text messaging rates apply.

#### **Submit your Question by E-mail**



Librarians will respond during Reference Desk hours. After hours, librarians will respond when Reference Desk opens.

### **Ask Your Question by Chat**



Librarians will respond during chat hours. If chat is unavailable, you may ask your question by email or phone instead.

### Ask Your Question by Phone: (609) 771-2417



Librarians are available during Reference Desk hours.

### **Ask Your Question in Person**



The Reference Desk is located on Level 1 of the Library. Librarians are available during Reference Desk hours.

### Schedule a Research Consultation



Librarians are available for research consultations and instruction. Check the list of *Librarians by Subject/Major* (https://library.tcnj.edu/research-help/contact-a-subject-librarian/) for assistance.

## REGULAR LIBRARY BUILDING HOURS

CLICK HERE TO ASK A LIBRARIAN

### **Main Library Building**

Monday-Thursday 7:30 AM - Midnight

Friday 7:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Sunday 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM

### **Extended Study Area**

Monday-Thursday Midnight-2:00 AM

Friday 6:00 PM - 2:00 AM

Saturday 7:00 PM - 2:00 AM

Sunday 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

& 11:00 PM - 2:00 AM

For hours of other services & library special hours, please visit:

https://library.tcnj.edu/about-the-library/hours-of-operation/