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### Memorial Library

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### Fast Fact:

Library is our collection of over 75,000 ebooks covering business and economics, education, technology, the humanities, life and physical sciences, law and politics, medicine, social and behavioral sciences, language and literature, and career guidance.

Find them by searching the Catalog in the Library Tab of myRed Dragon



## Research Appointments

Our subject liaisons are available to provide one-on-one and small group research appointments for students and faculty. Attending a research help appointment is a great way to gather resources for a specific project, learn about our best bet resources, and explore searching strategies.

Attending an appointment is a great time-saver, and now you can sign up online. A research appointment link is now located in the librarian profile boxes that appear in LibGuides and myRedDragon (in the bottom-right corner of the library tab). If you have students in your class that would benefit from research help, we would encourage you to show them the sign-up link and promote this service. You can also access the link here:

<https://sunycortland.wufoo.com/forms/rbbw10t0hpmt16/>

For questions about research help appointments, please contact your library liaison.

## New location for Research Help

Located between the IRSC and the Teaching Materials Center, the new Research Help space is now finished. A comfortable, inviting space, complete with additional chairs, a printer and reference shelves, awaits SUNY Cortland patrons looking for help with their research.

Please visit the Librarians at the new Research Help Desk for help with your research questions



## ITDS Instructional Technologies & Design Services



Instructional designers support faculty in task, learner and content analysis, efficiency and standardization of course design. They assist faculty in developing the overall appearance, organization and layout of a course, utilizing functionality and efficacy of technologies and media tools. Instructional designers apply standardization across courses that provide a learning framework and consistency focused on engaging and facilitating student learning. They can create learning aids, revise and adapt content for online teaching, and assist in developing learning objectives that will enhance student engagement. Their focus is to assist with meeting the needs of today's college students and digital natives learning styles.

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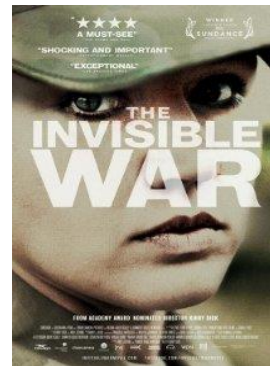
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Geology	Powell
Geography	Herrmann
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Modern Languages	Oldemans
Latin American Studies	Herrmann
Mathematics	Powell
Music	Oldemans
Physical Education	Harms
Philosophy	Quimby
Physics	Stern
Political Science	Herrmann
Psychology	Herrmann
Recreation	Powell
Communication Disorders	Quimby
Sociology	Herrmann
Sport Management	Powell
Kinesiology	Stern
Theater	Oldemans
Teaching Materials Center	Czirr
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#### Fast Fact:

The oldest book in Memorial Library is "Dve orationi, l'vna di Eschine contra di Tesifonte, l'altra di Demosthene à sva difesa / di Greco in uolgare nuouamente tradotte per un gentilhuomo Fiorentino", translated by Girolamo Ferro. Cf. Renouard. The imprint is dated 1554.

## Film Screening Series

As a kick-off for the Spring Semester programs for the college-wide Common Read, Memorial Library hosted a well-attended screening of *The Other City* on January 28<sup>th</sup>. The film, about HIV in Washington D.C., is filled with personal accounts which show the struggle people infected with HIV face every day. After the film, health educators and faculty from SUNY Cortland Health Promotion Office, the Jacobus Center for Reproductive Health, LGBTQ Resources Center, SUNY Cortland Health Department, and Southern Tier AIDS Program (STAP) facilitated a conversation with attendees about local services available to them through SUNY Cortland, as well as measures one could take to prevent the spread of HIV.



Our next film, *The Invisible War*, a documentary about sexual assault in the United States Military, is scheduled for April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## Testing Center

You may have noticed some changes happening on the first floor of the South Wing of the Library. The large Reference desk that used to dominate the eastern end is gone and has been replaced with a smaller reception styled desk and a lot of empty space. SUNY Cortland has been scouted as a site for a testing center. Many of the curricula of the college offer or require certification tests. Many professions including teaching require certification. SUNY Cortland decided to offer testing on campus and the Library both volunteered and was selected as an accessible location. And so the Memorial Library Testing Center was born.

The library will start small by offering teacher certification tests required by NYS. The vendor, Pearson VUE, utilizes a *patent-winning design, which was created specifically for high-stakes testing and offers a carefully controlled, consistent testing environment*. Pearson Vue's requirements for space and accommodation set a high standard. It is expected that the library administration will start exploring other tests needed by the curricula of the College in the fall.

The plan is to turn the previously mentioned section of the Learning Commons into the Testing Center area. The room that previously housed the Technology Training Center (TTC) will serve as the 9-15 seat testing site. Details are still being worked out with a possible opening soon. This means that SUNY Cortland students that used to have to travel to Syracuse or Binghamton for certification tests could now just visit the Library after registering online.

## Solitary Confinement Exhibit



The week following Spring Break will find a life-size solitary confinement cell on display on the 2nd floor of the Library. Its purpose is to raise awareness about issues related to solitary confinement, which is widely used in the United States. The display will give a sense of how small these spaces are and to imagine what it might be like to live in such a cell 23 hours a day. Recently the UN Rapporteur on Torture issued a statement saying that solitary confinement that lasts more than 15 days is considered torture. It is important for us to recognize the legal and ethical implications as well as the social costs of keeping tens of thousands of people imprisoned this way every day.

On Tuesday March 18th at noon Mecke Nagel and Ute Ritz-Deutch will host an opening reception and a panel discussion titled "The Ethics of Solitary Confinement" where the display is located. This event will be free and open to the public