The following are some of the many special library services that are available to you and your students:

Remote Access to Library Databases:
Use your SWCC username and password to access most of the Library’s databases from off campus. Access is open to the Library Catalog, so no password is needed; however, the LearningExpressLibrary (LEL) practice test database requires a special account for access. Please see that section of the Library Handbook for Students (http://sw.edu/library/library-handbook) for information on LEL account creation. If you have any problems or questions, just give us a call at (276) 964-7265 or (276) 964-7617.

Library Instruction:
The Library’s computer lab has 35 computers where your classes can meet for instruction with a Librarian. Also, if you teach off campus and your classroom has an Internet connection, we may be able to come to your classroom to talk to your students about the Library’s online resources. Contact one of the librarians listed below if you are interested in scheduling library instruction. Also, a “Library Instruction Request” form is available online at http://sw.edu/library/services/instruction-request. Additionally, 1-credit hour classes on library research and information literacy are offered during the fall and spring semesters. More information on LBR 195: Topics in Library Research and other library instruction opportunities can be found in the Library Handbook for Students at http://sw.edu/library/library-handbook/library-instruction. To learn more about SWCC/VCCS library resources, check out the VCCS Information Literacy Tutorial, “Connect for Success” at http://library.vccs.edu/reference/Connect.

Day – Diane Phillips, (276) 964-7617, diane.phillips@sw.edu
Evening – Terri Kiser, (276) 964-7738, terri.kiser@sw.edu
Coordinator of Library Services – Teresa Yearout, (276) 964-7266, teresa.yearout@sw.edu

Reserve Collections:
We can create a special reserve collection of required reading/viewing for your students. The collection will be housed in the Library with a 1-week or 2-day checkout period. The material can also be placed on “closed” reserve for in-library use only. Please call Diane Phillips at (276) 964-7617 if you are interested in creating a special reserve collection for your class.

LibGuides (Subject Research Guides):
LibGuides are librarian created, subject-specific guides to high-quality research information. If you are interested in having a research guide created for your academic discipline, please contact us. Keep in mind that these special research guides are very detailed and are crafted with quality, so they take a while to build. A list of SWCC LibGuides can be accessed at http://sw.vccs.libguides.com.

Collection Development:
Please allow the Library staff to work with you on developing subject area collections for research and supplemental materials, especially for new and developing courses and programs. Please notify the Library staff if you have a reading list or supplemental reading or media requirements for your students. With enough lead time, we may be able to purchase these materials for our collections. Please call the Coordinator of Library Services with you suggestions for purchase, or use the Comments/Suggestions form online at http://sw.edu/library/services/#suggestionsform. Additionally, students may also borrow some materials (although not required textbooks) via our interlibrary loan service.
LRC Live!:
With LRC Live! you can chat online, 24/7, with a librarian in real time. Your virtual librarian can help you find books, articles, and websites and can show you excellent tools and resources for research. Access LRC Live! via the “Help/Services” link on the SWCC Library web page – http://www.sw.edu/library. Other portals to the LRC Live virtual reference service are also available from the “Ask-A-Librarian” and “LRCLive Help” links, which are included in some of the Library’s databases.

LearningExpressLibrary Practice Tests:
LearningExpressLibrary offers practice tests based on the official exams and are developed by education experts. Practice tests include ACT, SAT, GED, and GRE preparation; reading, writing, and math skills improvement; Advanced Placement; business writing; teaching (includes Praxis); U.S. citizenship; health careers (includes paramedic and nursing); job and career test preparation; and much more! LearningExpressLibrary can be accessed from the “Library Resources” and “Help/Services” links on the SWCC Library web page. More information on LearningExpressLibrary practice tests can be found in the Library Handbook for Students at http://sw.edu/library/library-handbook/library-instruction/#notice.

E-Books:
The SWCC Library has several databases that provide access to e-books. You will discover many e-books during a search of the SWCC Library Catalog. You can also locate e-books by searching the e-book databases directly. See available e-books collections at the VCCS Libraries “Library eResources” LibGuide - http://vccs.libguides.com/content.php?pid=494696&sid=4622266. Another view of available e-books can be accessed from the SWCC Library web page - http://sw.edu/library/library-resources/books. Check out the “SWCC Library Quick Guide to Mobile Devices and eBook Resources” to see if your mobile device supports downloading of the e-books – http://sw.edu/library/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/SWCCLibraryQuickGuidetoMobileDevicesandeBookResources.pdf. Also, look under the “Library Resources” link on the SWCC Library web page at http://sw.edu/library/library-resources to see a list of all the SWCC Library databases.

Faculty Reading Room, Lee Smith:
Please visit our faculty reading room, which contains memorabilia from Lee Smith’s private collection, along with other Appalachian study materials. The room is a quiet, comfortable place for reflection and research. The entire Library, including the Reading Room, is equipped with Wi-Fi access.

Help Us Help You

- Schedule library classes early. 😊
- Let us know if you have any special reading lists. 😊
- Help us with collection development. 😊 Are there any materials you think we should add to our library collection?
- Send us your suggestions for improvement. 😊
- Spread the word. Encourage your students to use our resources. If you haven’t already done so, consider adding a research component to your class that requires library use. 😊
- Remember, we are here for you! 😊

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