

## @ Egan 2013 What's new at the UAS William A. Egan Library

#### ScholarWorks@UA

#### **Coming soon to UAS**

ScholarWorks@UA is the University of Alaska's institutional repository created to share research and works by UA faculty, students, and staff. Institutional repositories are being created in response to funding agency requirements for archiving, preserving and providing access to research, plus it is important to gather, make available, and store the scholarly and creative work of the University of Alaska community. Additionally it provides a useful exhibit for accreditation purposes. UAF has created a pilot project with plans to provide training to those at UAA and UAS who would like to contribute. If you are interested in contributing to a UAS pilot project, please contact Caroline Hassler. To explore the current Scholarship@UA website visit:

https://scholarworks.alaska.edu/

#### UAS now part of Joint Library Catalog (JLC)

# 12 Alaskan libraries 1 million + items!

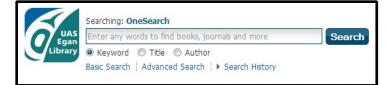
The Egan Library and Juneau area libraries' catalog has merged with the Joint Library Catalog (JLC) group centered in Anchorage. The new catalog includes five UAA campus libraries (including UAA/APU Consortium Library), ARLIS, the Anchorage Public Library, the Juneau Public Library, the Alaska State Library, and the Sealaska Heritage Institute. This partnership effectively grows the available collection from 275,000 print volumes to over 1 million! All are available to our UAS community by placing a hold and choosing your pickup library.

# OneSearch

OneSearch is a new discovery tool which allows you to explore and access a variety of library resources through one simple search box! Look for it embedded into the library's website. We are still fine-tuning the service. OneSearch may look familiar to you, as it is part of EBSCOhost, which also provides many of the databases that we subscribe to - like Academic Search Premier. Don't worry, you still have access to all of our great databases!

#### By using OneSearch you can search:

- Most of library catalog, including ebook content.
- Approximately 80% of the journal collection.



# **Featured Collection**

Reading is always good, but it isn't always fun. For many years, Egan Library has maintained a small collection of recreational reading material because students had access to the Juneau Public Library's collection. We are often asked, "Where is the fiction section?" by students looking for some light reading, and our answer has been to direct them to our Literature section. The Literature section is awesome, but it's hard to browse due to the large amount of literary criticism included there. In response, we're adding a new Featured Collection for recreational reading that will be located near the reference desk. Titles for Featured are a mix of short reads, thrillers, classics, and timely nonfiction. Some books are pulled from our existing collection and some are brand new. Look for it this Fall!

## The Awesome Box



It's difficult to tell what other people are reading and are excited about, and sometimes fantastic stories of intrigue and mystery are tucked away on the bottom of a shelf. We will soon introduce these two new ways (Featured Collection and Awesome Box) for students to find a "good" book to read and to also highlight awesome books that they have read! The Awesome Box allows the community to see what others have found helpful, entertaining, or mind-blowing.

The Awesome Box is a collaborative project with the Harvard Library's Innovation Lab and items that Egan Library users identify will also be posted to a new website,

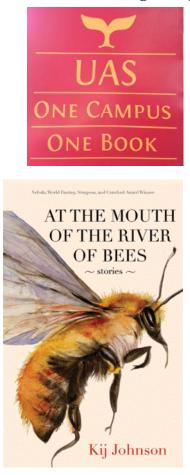
#### http://uasegan.awesomebox.io/

and to the library's Twitter feed.

Awesome at UAS Egan Library The map as art, Harmon, Katharine A. Moby-Dick in pictures, Kish, Matt The complete Earth, Palmer, Douglas The things they carried, O'Brien, Tim

# **One Campus One Book 2013**

The UAS One Campus One Book (OCOB) program, in its 4th year will now have dedicated funding through the Egan Library budget thanks to the Chancellor's Office. A designated home complete with administrative and financial support will position this campus-wide common reading program to make a stronger impact on student success and the first year experience



by building community around experiencing and exploring literature in a variety of disciplines, settings and not only with student peers but with staff, faculty and community members.

At the Mouth of the River of Bees by Kij Johnson is the 2013 selection!"The wrenching and provocative debut collection from the author of The Fox Woman and Fudoki. Johnson's stories have won the Sturgeon and World Fantasy awards and, for the last three years running, the Nebula Award.

These stories feature cats, bees, wolves, dogs, and even that most capricious of animals, humans, and have been reprinted in The Year's Best Fantasy & Horror, Best Science Fiction and Fantasy of the Year, and The Secret History of Fantasy."

Kij Johnson will be visiting the UAS campus in November 2013. Please join us in reading and discussing this book in classrooms and at events on campus and around town this year. If you are interested in joining the selection committee, teaching the OCOB selection or having Kij Johnson visit your class, please contact Anne Wedler or Jonas Lamb.

# **Egan Library Weeding Party**

Thursday October 3<sup>rd</sup> 11-1 Egan Library 211

The Egan Library's collections are intended to enhance and support the academic programs on campus. The best way to keep the collections relevant is through close coordination with Faculty to ensure your needs for instruction and research are met. Did you know that faculty members making an ongoing commitment to working with librarians on Collection

Development can count the activity as a university service component for Promotion and Tenure Files? Join faculty librarians for your lunch hour and help us identify materials that are no longer needed. We'll provide pizza. Please RSVP to **Caroline Hassler** so we know how much pizza to order.

# Help your students learn how to find credible information fast!

Two one-credit classes, LS110, Library Resources and Information Literacy, and LS111, Library Information Literacy for E-Learners, address the different aspects of research, how to find reliable sources for research and personal interests, current issues related to information literacy, and more! Both classes are taught by a librarian and include practical strategies for finding and evaluating information. One student from the Summer 2013 LS111 class states, "The information I learned in the class will be immediately useful going forward and relevant for many years to come. Absolutely beneficial. I only wish I had taken the class earlier in my academic life." Effective research skills can make students' academic experience easier and more enriching! Help your students succeed by spreading the word about these useful courses.

## Self-Service Study Room Reservations

Help your students commit to studying by spreading the word. Students, staff and faculty can now make a reservation to use 2 of the library's 5 study rooms for up to 2 hours per day. Reservations can be



made up to 1 week in advance using the LibCal calendaring site, http://bit.ly/sTudy

These rooms are often in high demand for a variety of uses including collaborative study, attending e-learning classes and library instruction. If a room is empty, please check in at the Circulation desk to avoid conflicts with upcoming reservations.