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Check Out the Library



New Publications from the HSU Press

By Kyle Morgan

Thanks to a CSU Affordable Learning Solutions (AL\$) grant, Humboldt State University Press will be issuing a call for faculty interested in publishing open-access textbooks. Authors will be compensated for accepted publications and will receive free copy-editing and peer-review services. Free online textbooks support lower educational costs for students while promoting the great work of HSU and CSU faculty. The call for authors will be issued in September and will have a limited window for submissions, so be on the lookout. Visit digitalcommons.humboldt.edu/textbooks.

In September, HSU Press published *Võ Phiên and the Sadness of Exile* by emeritus English Professor John C. Schafer. The work describes the life and work of one of the most respected writers in the Vietnamese diaspora. In the first book-length study in English of a modern Vietnamese writer, Schafer introduces a new perspective to European colonialism and the revolution to overthrow it, the spread of communism and the attempts to suppress it, and the flight of people across the earth to escape war and political upheaval. Võ Phiên's story is sad and beautiful and distinctly Vietnamese, but one that inextricably addresses the currents of war and exile across the modern world.

HSU Press is also proud to have published *CouRaGeous Cuentos*, a journal of the creative writing of students in classes offered by the Department of Critical Race, Gender & Sexuality Studies. This volume of the journal compiles counternarratives created by the

Humboldt Scholars Lab for HSU Research Opens

By Kyle Morgan & Cyril Oberlander

Everyone's an expert at something. How are you going to share your expertise with the world? The HSU Library opens a new chapter on research and scholarship on campus. The Humboldt Scholars Lab welcomes everyone interested in advanced research pursuits. By working together, we can write this chapter with you. The Humboldt Scholars Lab will officially open October 24, and will host a reception along with the Digital Media Lab (see inside for more details on the Digital Media Lab).

The Humboldt Scholars Lab is a new space on the third floor that is a place of conversation and collaboration for HSU students, faculty, staff, and community in advanced studies in primary source research, GIS, digital humanities, and scholarship. This is a lab to explore technology, research, and scholarship; to advance work in digital humanities or science projects, geospatial information projects, research data services and visualization, and digital scholarship; and share expertise with others doing similar scholarly pursuits.

Why wait for the opening? The new carpet and collaboration stations are already installed and the space has

quickly become a destination of student scholars. The Humboldt Scholars Lab is supported by scholars like you, sharing their expertise and talking about their projects. The lab is also supported by a team of librarians and the Library Scholar Interns.

Starting this September, the Library Scholar Intern team will be designing HSU Faculty profiles and building connections and conversations with faculty about their research. The Library Scholar Intern program offers paid internships for HSU students to gain hands-on experience with advanced scholarship, research, and digital humanities with the Digital Media Lab, Special Collections, and Scholarly Communications. Want to become a Library Student Scholar? Talk with the librarians in Library Room 307. The third floor will continue to evolve into a hub for scholarship and research in the coming year, including creating a new Special Collections reading room across from the Humboldt Scholars Lab.

To learn more about these changes and how you can support the library, please visit library.humboldt.edu/giving.html.

students in Ethnic Studies 107: Chican@/Latin@ Lives. By making the stories publicly available to communities and students who can relate to their powerful stories, the journal bridges the divide of silence toward a shared community of conversation and understanding. Congratulations to editor's Professor

Maria Corral-Ribordy and Carlos Molina.

Keep your eyes open for the imminent release of the *IdeaFest Journal*, an inaugural publication showcasing the scholarly and creative output of Humboldt State University faculty, staff, and students.

Digital Media Lab Opening

By Tim Miller

The HSU Library is opening the new Digital Media Lab (DML) to help you create video, audio, photo, and web-based projects. We have equipment to borrow, including cameras, microphones, virtual reality, 3D scanner, and many accessories. We also have computers with production and editing software open to all students, all day in the lab (Library Rm. 120).

We are excited to help you with your digital projects and with learning and managing the equipment and software. We have regular SkillShops (library.humboldt.edu/about/skillshops.html), special events, and are happy to meet with you one-on-one. The grand opening of the DML will be on

October 24, with the opening of the Humboldt Scholars Lab on the third floor (see Upcoming Events on the back page for details). The launch will include live showcases and demos of the new equipment and computers, including 3D scanning and 360-degree video. Throughout the semester there will be many more demos and workshops at the DML - check the workshop calendar for more info: humboldt.libcal.com/workshops.

We are also excited about co-hosting this year's unConference which features a video contest, zine station, live 360-degree video broadcast and more! This year's theme is "Get unComfortable at the unConference" and we're asking

you to share your story of a time you had to step out of your comfort zone with a two-minute video. We will have a series of workshops to help you with your project the week of October 10. Winning films will be screened at the event and filmmakers will receive great technology prizes. For full rules and details visit libguides.humboldt.edu/dml/contest.

The DML is the place on campus to get new ideas, explore using great equipment and software and learn about creating your next digital project. Contact us to learn more or to set up a one-on-one tutoring session: dml@humboldt.edu. Visit libguides.humboldt.edu/dml for more info about the lab, the equipment and software.

New & Improved Math Tutoring Lab

By Su Karl

The Math Tutoring Lab, one of many Learning Center programs, has opened in its new location on the first floor of the Library, near the Technology Help Desk. In this central hub, students can walk in for math tutoring, study math as a group, or use the space to do math homework, and get assistance as needed. Peer tutors can assist with algebra, trigonometry, statistics, calculus, and some additional upper division math courses. There are plenty of white boards (big and small) to tackle problems, and the close proximity to the Checkout Desk makes it easy for students to check out a laptop, a graphing calculator, or a math textbook on reserve.

The Math Tutoring Lab is open six days a week, Sunday through Friday, and on most days is open until 8pm; no appointment is needed. A detailed schedule and a full list of courses are on the Math Tutoring Lab website, humboldt.edu/learning/math-tutoring-lab.

Write on the First Floor

By Jessica Citti

The HSU Writing Studio, a program of the Learning Center, is now located on the first floor of the Library. The Writing Studio offers free peer assistance with all kinds of writing projects in person and over email. Trained consultants will listen to your concerns, read your drafts carefully, and ask you questions to clarify and develop your ideas and arguments--all with the goal of helping you to improve as a writer. Whatever your major or skill level, you can benefit from working one-on-one with a consultant.

We also provide feedback on resumes, cover letters, and personal statements for graduate school, and can help you prepare for the GWPE.

The Writing Studio is open Sunday through Friday, and offers day and evening hours. To schedule an in-person or email consultation, visit humboldt.edu/learning/writing-studio or call 707-826-5217. Drop-in hours are available in the evening; see our website for details.



Now Available for Checkout!

- GoPro Session 4 Action Camera
- 360fly HD - 360-degree Camera
- Google Cardboard VR Viewers
- Structure Sensor 3D Scanners
- Vanguard Alta Pro Multiple-Angle Tripod
- Boom Mic-Audio Technica AT875R
- Blue Snowball USB Mic

Students are Talking



Parts of Our Speech

By Victoria Bruner, MBA Student in Strategic Sustainability, dml@humboldt.edu

Hello and welcome to this story, _____; thank you for _____ *your name* _____ the Library in your _____ *verb (ing)* thoughts and into _____! The _____ *your area of study* faculty and staff in the Library have developed a _____ and _____ *adjective* extensive plan which may inspire _____ at HSU. There is now a _____ *person you know* network of paid internships students can _____ engage with. _____ *adverb (ly)*

Students who are interested in publishing (before or during Grad. school, _____) *exclamation* may find employment & work on _____ *skill on resume* with Scholarly Communications and the Humboldt Room (Library 308).

Remember last _____ when _____ *month* you looked _____ at your _____ *adverb (ly)* favorite _____ notification? _____ *social media* How often have you wondered why that digital platform looks and _____ a certain way— _____ *plural verb* _____ times? Fantastic news, _____ *# greater than 9* the Digital Media Lab, (Library 120) is here to connect a variety of learning styles _____! We can assist _____ *exclamation* you to blend your interest with _____ and create academic _____ *audio/video tech.* work. Happy Fall 2016 _____, _____ *partner's name* you just penned 16 words—see you around the Library!

You can share your story in the Library Rm. 107 box, or post it to #hsulibrary #hsudigitalmedia. Thanks!

Unpacking & Exploring White Privilege

By Megan Ueland, History Major

Presented by Librarian Tim

Miller, the L⁴HSU event “White Fragility: Context and the Myth of Objectivity” represented a crucial starting point for students, staff, and community members to address enduring issues of race and discrimination in American society. More specifically, the workshop focused on what scholar Robin DiAngelo coined as “White Fragility,” or the inability of white people to discuss matters regarding race without engaging in a range of defensive behaviors. The problem of white fragility continues to permeate American institutions today, making the forum particularly relevant to understanding the ubiquity of systemic racism, the implications of “whiteness” as an implicit ticket to privilege, and the necessity of effective communication as a tool for awareness.

The event enjoyed an impressive turnout of students, counselors, professors, advisers, recent graduates, and the public. Stating that “I don’t want this to be a lecture, I want this to be a discussion,” Tim presided over

a constructive conversation directed by those in attendance. Because of the emotionally-laden nature of the topic, clear guidelines were upheld to ensure respect was given to those choosing to share their experiences with the group. Despite the recurrent claim that contemporary society is “color blind,” speakers revealed the surprising extent

“I’ve been attending Tim Miller’s White Privilege workshops...and feel that what I’m learning directly informs the work that I do here on campus. I feel like a student again!...”

to which racism and white fragility remain prevalent in both a university setting and in American society

at large. Because of the popularity of the workshop, two follow-up sessions were held during the summer and new sessions are being offered every other Tuesday from 11am-12:30pm in the Library Fishbowl. In order to move towards a society of greater understanding, empathy, and equality, it is our responsibility as a community to continue dialogues such as these into the future. For more information regarding the schedule, registration, and resources, please visit libguides.humboldt.edu/whiteprivilege.

Relax & Gain Focus at the Brain Booth

By Gabby Fuentes

I was in someone else’s brain, cruising across neural connections as though they were rails and I was on a rollercoaster. Virtual reality goggles are only one tool in the new, immersive, Brain Booth, that launched this fall at the HSU Library.

The bounty of new meditation and focus tools that comprise the Brain Booth consists of white noise and nature sounds, heart rate variability biofeedback machines, guided meditation on Chromebooks, and sitting in front of light therapy lamps. An exciting study options include new FitDesks, or exercise study bikes, that allow you to pedal while using your laptop, phone, or while reading. Librarian Marissa Mourer describes her hopes for the Brain Booth this semester and how students can gain access to these focus and meditation tools, commenting

that it “is an intentional library space that is dedicated to exploration of the mind and body connection as an academic endeavour. There are a few aims: First, to reinforce student success by introducing mindful practices and wellness strategies. Second, to recognize the whole student and to promote balanced, reflective, and purposeful learning. Last, to situate contemplation, reflection, and quiet intention as integral to effective and optimized learning.”

This semester the Brain Booth tools will be located every Wednesday in Library Room 114 from 10am-12pm, and every Thursday in Library Room 208 from 1pm-3pm. The FitDesk exercise bikes will be available to use any time the Library is open and are available at the pillar west of the second floor staircase.

Have a story to share with the campus? Writing for the Library newsletter could not be easier! Students, staff, and faculty are encouraged to contact libmarketing@humboldt.edu to learn more about sharing a story in the next newsletter.

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L⁴HSU Creates Campus Connections

By Sarah Fay Philips

The Library Lifelong Learning Lounge (L⁴HSU) is a successful summer event series where HSU faculty, staff, students, and community members share their passions and learn new topics. From May to July more than 50 events were offered by facilitators from across campus. This community building event demonstrated the initiative and desire to celebrate learning, and the Library deeply thanks the campus partners that shared their knowledge. As an HSU student said, "one favorite thing of mine about the L⁴HSU events is being able to hear the passion, research, and enthusiasm in facilitators' voices as they engage the attendees."

L⁴HSU events were based on four themes: Technology, Cultural Awareness, Creativity, and Professional Exploration. With over 550 people attending, even during the quieter months on campus, people were still excited to learn. As one staff participant stated, L⁴HSU provided an opportunity for "new relationships with staff and faculty and a stronger sense of connection with my community. It was also heartening to discuss difficult topics with everyone and to experience the breadth of experience and interest."

Keep your calendar clear next summer and don't miss L⁴HSU. This year's attendees were surveyed and 97 percent of responders would recommend colleagues attend L⁴HSU events in the future.

Upcoming Events - Everyone Welcome!

CouRaGeouS Cuentos Launch

Thursday, October 6

4pm-6pm, Library Fishbowl

This is a gathering to celebrate the first volume of a journal of student counternarratives.

Humboldt Scholars Lab

Opening Reception

Monday, October 24

3:30-5pm, Humboldt Scholars Lab

Join us for the grand opening of the new Humboldt Scholars Lab (Library 3rd floor) and Digital Media Lab (Library Rm. 120). We will be showcasing some of the exciting new technologies to support students. We will also be celebrating Open Access Week and the creation of openly-licensed scholarly work that is made freely available. Refreshments will be provided at this reception.

Author Talk: Benjamin Madley

Wednesday, November 2

11am & 5pm, Library Fishbowl

Thursday, November 3

11am, Native American Forum

The campus is invited to hear UCLA History Professor Benjamin Madley discuss his research and book "An American Genocide: The United States and the California Indian Catastrophe, 1846-1873." Copies of the book are for sale locally, and on reserve at the Library Checkout Desk.

unConference

Wednesday, November 9

1pm-4pm, Humboldt Scholars Lab

Everyone has experiences where they feel uncomfortable at first. You may have moved to a new city or participated in an activity with people you were meeting for the first time. "Get Uncomfortable" is the theme of this year's unConference, an event open to the HSU community that features short presentations and discussions. Sign up to attend the unConference by visiting humboldt.edu/unconference. To participate, contact Digital Media & Learning Librarian Tim Miller at twm2@humboldt.edu.

HSU Authors Hall Celebration

Friday, February 10, 2017

3pm-5pm, HSU Authors Hall

Join the Library and HSU Community as we celebrate the achievements of our campus authors. The 2017 HSU Authors Hall Celebration will recognize the scholarship and creative work of HSU faculty, staff, students and alumni from the previous year. For more information on how you can include your published works visit library.humboldt.edu/about/HSUAuthors.html. The HSU Authors Hall is located on the 2nd floor of the Library.

IdeaFest

Friday, April 21, 2017

All day, All floors of the Library

Are you curious as to what type of research projects and creative works are possible at HSU? Come to IdeaFest and find out what your peers and instructors have been working on throughout the year. If you are interested in presenting, registration for IdeaFest 2017 will open in late October. Please visit humboldt.edu/ideafest.

Alma ULMS 2017

In 2017 CSU libraries, including HSU Library, will be migrating to Alma ULMS (Unified Library Management System). Please visit libraries.calstate.edu/key-initiatives/ulms/ for more information.