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Welcome Back! Mid-Year Check-In, Spring 2021 (Student)

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WARDMAN LIBRARY Spring 2021

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ACCESS TO THE LIBRARY

Wardman Library will continue to offer virtual and limited curbside service during the Spring modules.

- The **hold request form** can be used to request a book from our collection. We will check it out and make it available for pick up or ship to your house if you are not local.
- The **scan request form** can be used to request a scan from a book in the collection or course reserves.
- **Interlibrary Loan & Link+** will continue to be available to students, faculty, and staff.
- If there is a book on **course reserve**, you can use the scan request form to request a portion be scanned.

  A detailed explanation of these services and more is provided on our **COVID-19 services** page.
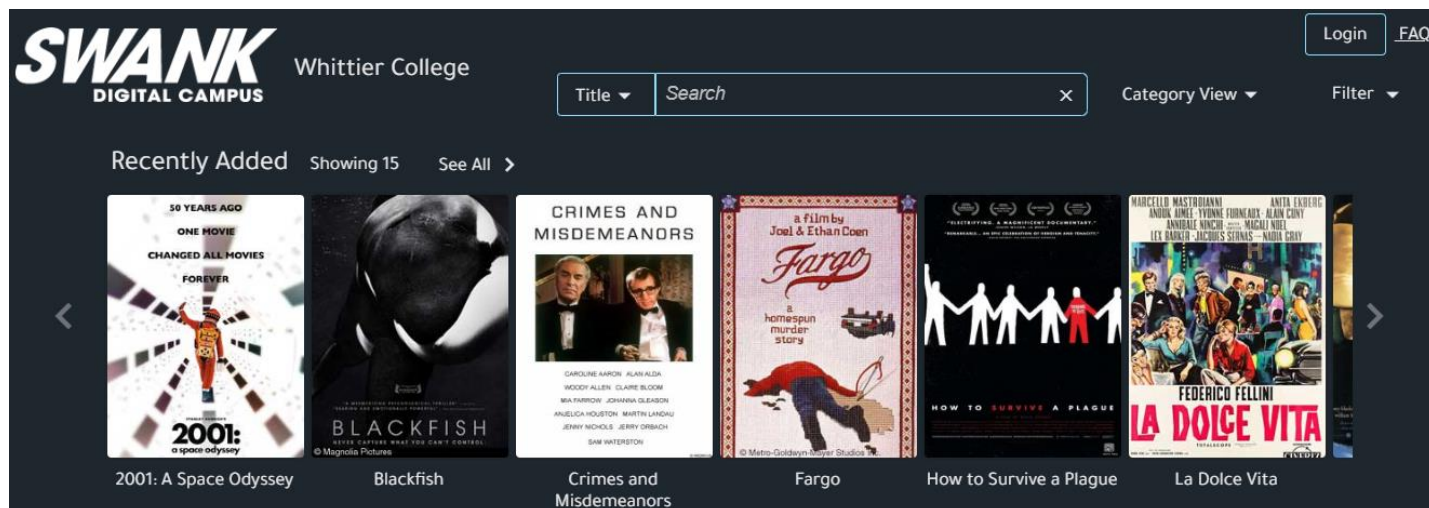
MOODLE SUPPORT

For questions on Moodle, please continue to contact us at **moodle@whittier.edu** instead of emailing individual staff or librarians. Questions/requests will be addressed in the order in which we receive them.

STUDENT WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE

The Library will also offer a number of student-oriented workshops, led by our Research and Instructional Librarian, Azeem Khan. These will cover a wide range of topics including an introduction to our electronic resources, using primary sources, plagiarism and citations, and evaluating information in the age of fake news. We recommend attending these workshops. For a full list of available workshops, please visit: **https://whittier.libcal.com.**

STREAMING VIDEO

The Library will continue to use Swank and Kanopy to provide streaming access to films to support our courses. Your professors should provide links to these films for you. For films streamed from Swank, we recommend using the Firefox or Chrome browsers. Swank will not work on the Safari browser.

There are some cases where the Library will be unable to provide access to a film due to contractual or license issues. In those cases, renting from Apple/Google/Amazon may be an option.

USE DUBSEARCH FOR FULL-TEXT ACCESS, INTERLIBRARY LOAN, & ARTICLES ON DEMAND SERVICE

While you can continue to use our **catalog** to search for print books and DVDs, we encourage you to use **dubSearch** to search for articles, e-books, print books, and newspapers. *dubSearch* will enable you to find full-text access to journal and newspaper articles. It can also locate content that Wardman Library does not have but will offer interlibrary loan (ILL).

With ILL, we can coordinate with another partner library to access a journal article, book chapter, or even a print book.   In some cases, you may see the ***Articles on Demand*** option, this service will provide near immediate access (within minutes) to articles from recently canceled journals.

As always, if you have trouble finding a specific article OR need help shaping a search to locate content on a research topic, contact us at **reference@whittier.edu** so we can help.

POET COMMONS & POET PROFILES

Poet Commons, our institutional repository, has been available since April 2020. Poet Commons seeks to collect and share the historic, academic, and creative culture of the Whittier College community. The constantly-growing digital archive includes student research and scholarship, faculty publications, college history, and unique materials from the Library's Archives and Special Collections. As of December 2020, over 540 items have been deposited, which has resulted in nearly 5,900 downloads from 95 countries. Poet Commons not only provides a way to digitally preserve content but also expand the brand and reputation of Whittier College by sharing the great academic work by our students and faculty. We encourage you to learn more about it. Contact us for more information.

Poet Profiles is a portfolio platform that compliments Poet Commons. If Poet Commons is about the "work," Poet Profiles is about the individual. Poet Profiles provides a space to build a profile and highlight your works located in Poet Commons. A student or faculty member can share their experiences, works, and research interests. A unique URL for your profile will be created and you can share or point to it as your professional portfolio. For more information or a demonstration, please contact the Library.

COVID-19 ARCHIVE

Researching the impact of the 1918-19 Spanish Flu pandemic on Whittier College is limited to a few references in the Quaker Campus or Acropolis. Poet Commons provides us an opportunity to capture the experiences of the Whittier College community during the COVID-19 pandemic so future generations can learn and understand the experiences of the Whittier College community.

We hope to collect and share these stories, photographs, videos, and other documents from your experience. For more information, please review **this page** or contact the Library.

ONCE AGAIN, WELCOME BACK AND GOOD LUCK THIS SPRING!!

Wardman Library's staff and librarians are here for you!

Do not hesitate to reach out to us (library@whittier.edu OR reference@whittier.edu)!