Welcome to the incoming medical students, graduate students, and residents joining SIU this summer and fall!

We hope you find some time this year to make yourself at home in the Medical Library.

We’re located on the 4th floor of the 801 Rutledge Building. The library has plenty of study space, including 9 individual study rooms and moveable whiteboards.

**Featured Resources: Avoid Predatory Publishers!!!**

**Cabell’s Whitelist & Blacklist**

Are you interested in publishing an article, but don't know how to start locating a journal? Or aren’t sure how to determine if a journal is a reputable or predatory source? Then you should try Cabell’s, the Library’s latest subscription database.

Cabell’s Whitelist is a list of over 11,000 accepted academic journals spanning 18 disciplines, including health administration, nursing, and psychology. Complete with all types of evaluation metrics and submission details, it can help identify a good home for your article.

Cabell’s also contains a Blacklist of predatory journals and publishers you should avoid based on their assessment of over 60 behavioral indicators. They also highlights warning signs for predatory journals. Take a look and familiarize yourself with Cabell’s today! [https://siumedi.idm.oclc.org/login?url=https://www2.cabells.com/](https://siumedi.idm.oclc.org/login?url=https://www2.cabells.com/)

**Open Access & Predatory Publishing Guide**

While Cabell’s is a great starting point, it doesn’t cover all journals or publishers, so you’ll need to learn some evaluation tricks yourself.

Watch the informational videos on the differences between open access and traditional publishing and identifying predatory publishers. Then use the resource links and evaluation checklist to determine whether your journal of choice is reputable or predatory.

The Library recently worked with the Department of Graduate Medical Education to create a learning module on Open Access and Predatory Publishing. The guide is located on the library website at [http://libguides.siumed.edu/](http://libguides.siumed.edu/)
NEW at the Library

Libraries aren't just about books— we want to make it easy for you to access and disseminate information no matter what the format! Sometimes that means purchasing high-tech scanners like the KIC Click Mini to make it easier to convert physical items to a digital format. It might mean supporting research by printing your poster and helping you transport it to conferences with a poster tube. We can't always provide everything we're asked about, but we pay attention to requests and do our best to supply everything you need (and some of what you want) to succeed.

KIC Click Mini

The Medical Library recently purchased a “KIC Click Mini,” a multi-purpose scanner that is free for library patrons to use! Regular library users may have already noticed this new piece of equipment, which is located just inside the front doors.

The KIC Click Mini not only creates high-resolution, color scans of documents, it can also produce searchable PDFs and text-to-audio files in a matter of seconds! The scanner captures up to 20 pages per minute and files can either be emailed or saved to a flash drive.

Feel free to stop by and try it out for yourself next time you’re in the library! While using the scanner is fairly intuitive, please don’t hesitate to ask for help at the circulation desk if you have any questions.

Loanable Poster Tubes

Ask and you shall receive! Ever since the Library began printing conference posters we have been asked whether we had tubes available to protect posters during travel. Now we do!

The Medical Library in Springfield purchased 3 strapped carrying tubes in SIU Medicine purple, and the MRC in Carbondale also has one of their own. Tubes are available to check out on a first-come-first-serve basis. To reserve one of Springfield’s tubes, mention it when submitting your poster for printing, either by email (reference@siumed.edu) or in person at the library. You can request the MRC tube by e-mailing mrc@siu.edu.

Did You Know?

The Medical Library has an expert literature search service. Our librarians use their skills and training to analyze and search your query in appropriate databases. Searches are usually completed within 24-48 hours, except on weekends. More extensive, complicated searches may take longer. Search results are emailed to the requester. We can also provide a file of the results formatted for import into bibliographic management software such as EndNote.

Searches conducted on fee-based databases (i.e. PsycInfo, Embase, etc.) will incur charges to recover the costs of online access and downloading search results. These searches must be approved for payment in advance by the department fiscal officer or paid by personal check.

To request a search: use our Literature Search Request Form (http://www.siumed.edu/lib/webform/expert-literature-search-request.html) or contact reference staff at 217-545-2113 or reference@siumed.edu.
3D– Printer Activities


In June and July our National Library of Medicine 3D Printing Outreach Program spoke about 3D printing to high school students in western Illinois. These students have self-identified an interest in a health career and the SIUMED Office of Regional Programs staff work with other partners to provide health career exploration programs. The 3D Printing information was shared with students participating in programs in Canton and Quincy over the summer.

Models of a heart and foot that were printed using the Library’s new 3D printer

Zen Study Break

The library hosted a Zen-themed study break on May 30th for 2nd year students who were intently studying for the USMLE Step 1. In addition to coffee, tea, and light snacks, students enjoyed free 15-minute massages from the outstanding massage therapist, Sacheen Simeon. A big thank you to Dr. Klamen and the Office of Education and Curriculum for helping make this happen! Stay tuned for details about the next study break, which will be held sometime in early October.

A student receives a massage during the library’s most recent study break.

Welcome Year 2 Students!

Library staff will be giving orientation sessions, including lunch, to the new students on Tuesday, August 14th from 11:00-12:00 and Thursday, August 16th from 11:30-2:30. Please sign up on D2L. We look forward to meeting all of you!

Not a Y2? We can still provide a library tour and/or orientation by request (sorry, lunch not included)! Just e-mail reference@siumed.edu.

Our “Zen Study Break included a variety of healthy snacks
Library Monthly Training

Workshops
The Library’s monthly workshops have been on hiatus during the summer but will resume in September. Keep your eyes open for an e-mailed calendar of our classes on topics including:

- EndNote Desktop and Online
- Converting PowerPoint presentations to video
- Creating conference posters in PowerPoint
- Introduction to Infographics
- Searching PubMed and Medline.

In the meantime, you can browse class descriptions and handouts on our website at http://libguides.siumed.edu/training.

Librarians are also available for one-on-one training on any of these topics. If interested, email reference@siumed.edu.

FREE Online Tutorials!
Learn to use popular software when and where you want! Go at your own pace and take advantage of hands-on practice.

The Library’s subscription to Quick Source Learning Tutorials include:

- Microsoft Access
- Excel
- Outlook
- PowerPoint
- Publisher Word.
- Adobe software (Dreamweaver, Photoshop, InDesign and Acrobat)

There are no spots left in August, but you can pre-register for access during the entire month of September by emailing training@siumed.edu.

From now through mid-September the Library is displaying past SIU School of Medicine yearbooks. Did you know that we have all the previous editions in remote storage? Yearbooks aren’t available for check out but you can request to view them in the library by e-mailing archives@siumed.edu a few days in advance. Just let us know which years you’d like to see and when you plan to come!

A US Postage stamp from 1982 honoring Dr. Mary Walker, the first female army surgeon.

From the Library’s Special Collections.