

News You Can Use

UTA Libraries

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<http://www.uta.edu/library/>

Library Instruction Sessions

All sessions in this schedule are offered in the Central Library classroom on the third floor, room 315A. All classes are posted on the web at

<http://www.uta.edu/library/ref/seminars.html>

Date	Time	Librarian
PULSe		
Feb 11 (Mon)	10 – 11 am	Linda Depken
Mar 13 (Wed)	1 – 2 pm	Linda Depken
Research Strategies		
Mar 28 (Thur)	4 – 5 pm	Linda Depken
Apr 10 (Wed)	11am – noon	Linda Depken
Apr 11 (Thur)	3 – 4pm	Linda Depken
Evaluating and Citing Web Pages		
Apr 3 (Wed)	2 – 3pm	Mary Jo Handke
Apr 16 (Tues)	10 – 11am	Mary Jo Handke

PULSe is the libraries online catalog, found at <http://pulse.uta.edu>

GIS

UTA Libraries are now supporting and promoting the use of **Geographic Information Systems (GIS)**. GIS are computer systems that aid in the management and analysis of geographically referenced data. GIS allows the user to link location or spatial data with tabular data in order to see relationships and patterns. If you have a map, tabular data, a computer, a GIS software program and a question, you can utilize GIS to answer your question. Questions like where should I build my new sports store, how many houses are in the floodplain area of the Mississippi River, where are crimes being committed in our county, how much wilderness was damaged by the forest fire, and what species are living in this habit are being answered faster and more efficiently by using GIS. GIS offers the opportunity to not only see the data on a virtual map but also to see the information and characteristic data behind the map.

For more information about GIS, see <http://libraries.uta.edu/gis/>. For a basic introduction to the ArcGIS software program and find out how GIS can be used, please contact: Linda Depken, Librarian, 817-272-7434 or ldepken@uta.edu.

News You Can Use is issued periodically with news of new databases, services, and presentations. This newsletter is distributed to students, faculty, and staff.

Database Training

INSPEC, Feb. 25, 9-11am, in Business Building room 340. Offered by Dana Picazio, of the Institute of Physics. Aimed at faculty and graduate students.

Web of Science, Mar. 14, 1-2:30pm, in Central Library room 315A. Taught by representative of the Institute of Scientific Information (ISI).

For more detailed information about these training sessions, visit the UTA Calendar at <http://www.uta.edu/calendar/> or the Library Publications page at <http://libraries.uta.edu/publications/> and click on *News You Can Use*.

New Databases

Investext and Biography & Genealogy

Master Index Access to the **Investext upgrade** and the new URL for **Biography & Genealogy Master Index** are now available through the UTA Libraries Online electronic resources web pages. **Investext** contains the current year plus 3 years. Updated daily. Provides access to more than 50,000 full-text investment reports on more than 11,000 public and private corporations and 53 industries. Developed by a global roster of brokerage, investment banking and research firms, these full-text investment reports even include a wealth of hard-to-find private company data.

Biography and Genealogy is updated twice a year. A comprehensive index to nearly 12 million biographical sketches in more than 2700 volumes and editions of current and retrospective reference books, covering both contemporary and historical figures throughout the world. <http://www2.uta.edu/library/research/fulllist.asp>

CCH Internet Tax Research Network

This database, reached through PULSe <http://pulse.uta.edu> has headings such as Accounting/Auditing, Federal, State, Financial & Estate, Special Entities, Pension & Payroll, International.

From the site: "CCH Internets Tax Research NetWork(TM) combines CCH Group's leading accounting, federal, state, international and financial content with cutting-edge web technology to bring you the most current, customized and intuitive tax research product on the market." Researchers will find many unique features that allow them to "create personal libraries, links, and more;" use powerful search tools, receive articles by daily email, and use the site's interactive forms in their research.

Web of Science and SciFinder Scholar

http://www2.uta.edu/library/research/Science_Mathematics.asp
Web of Science. Updated regularly. Abstracts and citations in ISI's Science Citation Index Expanded, Social Sciences Citation Index, and Arts & Humanities Citation Index. Searches by subject term, author name, journal title, or author affiliation; also for articles that cite an author or work. Along with an article's abstract, its cited references (bibliography) are listed for further searching.

SciFinder Scholar provides access to information contained in the CAS databases from more than 8000 journals and other sources including, patents, books, reviews, meeting abstracts, dissertations, conference proceedings, and technical reports.

From the NEH Outlook for January 2002:

A Monthly E-Mail Newsletter Of The National Endowment For The Humanities. <http://www.neh.gov>

College students are invited to apply to **NEH's 2002 Summer Interns Program**. The 10-week program runs from June 3 to Aug. 9 with a \$4,000 stipend. Application deadline is Feb. 8, 2002. Application guidelines and materials are online at <http://www.neh.gov/online/internships/guideline.html>

Now online are the lists of next summer's NEH **institutes** and **seminars** for both school teachers
<http://www.neh.gov/projects/si-school.html> and college/university professors
<http://www.neh.gov/projects/si-university.html> . The application deadline is March 1, 2002. Instructions are posted with the lists. Complete information about how to apply for an **NEH grant** is online at
<http://www.neh.gov/grants/index.html> .

World News Connection: A Monitor of the Non-U.S. Press

Former U.S. President Richard Nixon used the expression to "play in Peoria", meaning that if most citizens of Peoria, Illinois liked his decisions, most Americans would also support him.

Ever wondered how this administration's decisions are playing in Peiraia, Greece or Pretoria, South Africa, or other parts of the world? **World News Connection**, a subscription database available through the **Electronic Resources** collection, (<http://www2.uta.edu/library/ejournals.asp>), reprints transcripts of news broadcasts, magazine and newspaper stories, and press wire service stories about events around the world that may be of interest to U.S. politicians, military forces, and government agencies. Contact Tom Lindsey, lindsey@uta.edu for additional information.

Friends of the UTA Libraries

February 15: Dr. Allan Saxe, UTA Associate Professor of Political Science and author of the new book *Politics of Arlington Texas*, will speak from 7:30-9:30pm. The Friends

meet in the sixth floor parlor of the Central Library. R.S.V.P. by February 13 to 817.272.7421.

March 15: Ron Davis, Historian and author of the book *Duke: The Life and Image of John Wayne*, will speak about John Wayne and the making of the movie *The Alamo*. Copies of his book will be sold at the meeting, and an autograph party and reception will follow the presentation. R.S.V.P. by March 13.

Traveling Exhibit:

"This Is Woman's Hour: The Life of Mary Baker Eddy" will be installed on the sixth floor of the Central Library and will run from Feb. 25 - March 15th. The exhibit will coincide with the first two weeks of women's history month (March).

Off The Beaten Path:

Forthright's Phrontistery English Word Lists and Language Resources

This site came my way because of the interesting page that describes how to name things and events that require numbers. Trying to figure out what to call an event that occurs once every 40 years? The collector of information at this site suggests the event would be "quadragenary" in nature. Visit <http://phrontistery.50megs.com/numbers.html> for information on calculating these number names. Numbers are only a small part of this site's very eclectic collection of links. Site includes basic resources such as dictionaries, special interest and scholarly links, and URL's to humor pages such as the *Bulwar-Lytton Fiction Contest*, *Urban Legend Reference Pages*, and the *Darwin Awards*.
<http://phrontistery.50megs.com/index.html>

Internet Speedometer

Test the speed of your connection with this gimmick from the folks at McAfee. <http://promos.mcafee.com/speedometer/>

2002 Winter Olympic Games

<http://www.ci.slc.ut.us/olympics/> The official Salt Lake City site.

Internal Revenue Service

It's that time of year again. Check out downloadable forms, filing electronically, and much more, at <http://www.irs.gov>

Mudcat Cafe <http://www.mudcat.org>

Description taken from the site: "With over 8000 songs in the Database you're sure to find what you're looking for. Search or Browse The Digital Tradition Folksong Database or post questions in the Forum.

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