We Have a New Librarian!

As many of you know, our long-standing Library Chair, Anna Agenjo, retired last May. Kirk Russell has been elected as the new Library Chair (yay!), and Laura Luiz has been hired as our newest librarian. Laura received her Masters of Library Science in December 2016, and comes to us from Hanford, where she was a high school librarian. We are overjoyed to have her join our crew!
ANNOUNCING… LibGuides!

We are very excited to announce that the library has purchased LibGuides! LibGuides are an online instructional tool that will allow us to create online library guides for students based on a course (such as ENGL B1A, COMM B2, etc.), subject (English, Biology, etc.), or a topic (Fake News, Banned Books, Finding Books, etc.). This platform is still quite new to us, but we plan to create LibGuides for any courses who receive a library orientation from us, as well as for the various departments on campus.

These guides will be useful for students to reference after a library orientation, as well as for any students who might be taking online courses or have a limited ability to come to the library for in-person research help from the librarians. The link to access LibGuides will soon be available in the left sidebar of the library homepage. For more information about LibGuides, or to ask about getting a LibGuide set up for your class or department, please contact the Reference Desk at 395.4466!

An example of a library LibGuide
Library Research Skills Workshops

In an effort to help students understand the value of our library workshops, we have engaged in some re-branding of our long-standing workshop series this Fall! The workshops are now called Research Skills Workshops, and the names of the 6 different workshops we offer have been changed for greater clarity about their content. The new workshop names are: Finding Articles in Periodical Databases, Google for Internet Searching, Strategies for Effective Research, Avoiding Plagiarism, Finding Books and E-books, and Evaluating Internet Sources.

These workshops are 1 hour long and cover basic research skills that students need to conduct research for their BC classes. The workshops run for 10 weeks, from September 11-November 16. Workshops are first-come, first-served, so we advise students to arrive early in case seats run out. The workshop schedule and full descriptions of the workshops can be found at www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/library/workshops, and print versions of the schedule are available at the Reference Desk.

Combating Fake News in the Classroom

As librarians, we are ethically bound to promote news and information that is well-researched and reputable. In America’s current climate, teaching students how to evaluate internet sources is more important than ever! While we have a workshop that is dedicated to evaluating internet sources, and are more than happy to teach your students how to evaluate internet sources during a library orientation, there are two sites you can use with your students to help them find reliable information on the internet. These are:

mediabiasfactcheck.com
This site contains a database of over 1800 media sources and provides commentary on the biases of those sources.

www.factcheck.org
FactCheck monitors the factual accuracy of what is said by major U.S. political players, whether on TV ads, debates, speeches, interviews, and news releases.
Read all about it!: New titles at BC

A curated list of some of the new and exciting titles in the general collection.

(Arranged in call number order.)

BC 177 .L486 2016

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HQ 801 .B3626 2016
HQ 1391 .U5 M35 2016

HV 95 .H38 2016

HV 640.4 .E8 M395 2016

HV 5822 .M3 M376 2014

HV 6533 .F6 F85 2017

HV 7431 .R454 2017

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HV 9471 .P449 2017

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