The library had a very productive 2017-2018—here are the highlights.

2017-2018

BC LIBRARY STATISTICS

CIRCULATION (CHECK-OUTS)

9,163
General Books

14,499
Reserve Books

3,054
Study Rooms

REFERENCE

- 223 orientations taught
- 87 workshops given

COLLECTIONS

83,332 books inventoried in our collection (includes 10,671 ebooks)

567 titles added to collection (686 volumes)

Plus 532 online chat sessions! (Rolled out Spring 2018)
New Research Skills Workshop

We are happy to announce that a 7th workshop is joining our Research Skills workshop line-up! The new workshop, Detecting Fake News, will be an in-depth look at what fake news is, why it has become so prevalent and how to avoid it. Journalistic standards, bias and the role of social media in the news will be examined.

For the trial run of the workshop this semester, we will offer Fake News three times during the semester. In addition, intrepid librarian Laura Luiz has created a Fake News LibGuide with much of the information and resources she points to in the workshop. Of particular note is the Resources for Faculty tab, which contains books on fake news, fake news lesson plans, and classroom activities on lesson plans that BC faculty can use in their classrooms.

The first Detecting Fake News workshop will take place on October 3 (the same day as our first Get out the BC Vote event, featured below!). For questions about the workshop and LibGuide, contact Laura Luiz at laura.luiz@bakersfieldcollege.edu. To see the Fall 2018 workshop calendar, go to www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/library/workshops.

Get Out the BC Vote!

The Library is excited to announce an event to help students become educated voters in the upcoming election. The event will feature a pro/con discussion on the ballot measures along with a Q&A and voter registration drive. There will be two separate events. Both will be held in Library 217.

October 3, 2018 (6:30-7:30pm) - Featuring the League of Women Voters Kern County

October 4, 2018 (11:15-12:45) - Featuring Bakersfield Californian columnist Robert Price

The Library is thrilled to host both the League of Women Voters of Kern County and Robert Price from the Bakersfield Californian. They will be leading the discussion on the ballot measures and will answer questions about the upcoming election. Students will also be able to register to vote and get hands-on help through the registration process.
Online Library Orientation

For those of our faculty who teach online courses, the library has now created an Online Library Orientation that students can take via Canvas. Faculty may embed any or all of the 7 different modules in the online orientation into their own Canvas sites. Each module concludes with a brief quiz for assessment, which will automatically be entered into your course’s gradebook. Every module in the online library orientation corresponds with one of the 6 different Research Skills workshops we give each semester at BC, in addition to an introductory module.

When students complete a module, they earn a corresponding badge which can be displayed in their Canvas profile. Instructors will then be able to see at a glance that a student has taken and successfully completed a particular module. The module names and the badges are listed to the right.

| Library Orientation Welcome | Library Apprentice Badge |
| Research Strategies         | Scholar Extraordinaire Badge |
| Databases                   | Database Ninja Badge |
| eBooks                      | Commander of the LibraryVerse Badge |
| Evaluation of Books & Articles | Information Renegade Badge |
| Google Searching            | Master of the Web Badge |
| Evaluating Internet Sources | Truth Seeker Badge |
| Plagiarism                  | Wise Wizard Badge |

BC Library Videos

Realizing that some people prefer learning via video, the Library has produced several short instructional videos to assist students with common research techniques, including how to use EBSCOhost and how to evaluate a book and its author. Each video is just a few minutes long. Videos can be found on the Library’s YouTube channel, gracevdblibrary, or by clicking on the “Workshops and Tutorials” tab of the Library webpage. Videos will continue to be added, so check back often!
LibChat—Chat with a librarian online!

Many of you may have already noticed the “Ask us!” banner that comes out when visiting the Library website. This is how students can access our new reference chat service. We unrolled this service in Spring 2018 and had great success with it—we had 532 chat sessions last semester. This accounts for about 10% of the total number of questions students asked last spring.

While LibChat is a great option for BC’s online students, it’s also helpful for students doing research using our library resources off-campus, as well as any students who might feel too shy to ask us questions in person. Faculty and staff are also welcome to chat with us about any questions they might have. LibChat is available 8am-8pm Monday-Thursday, 8am-2pm Friday, and 11am-3pm Saturday.

Cerro Author 2018/2019: Temple Grandin

Our Cerro Author for the 2018-2019 academic year is Temple Grandin, PhD! Dr. Grandin is a prominent author and speaker on both autism and animal behavior. Today she is a professor of Animal Science at Colorado State University. She has a successful career consulting on both livestock handling equipment design and animal welfare and has been a pioneer in improving the handling and welfare of farm animals. She is a past member of the board of directors of the Autism Society of America. She lectures to parents and teachers throughout the U.S. on her experiences with autism. She was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2016.

Dr. Grandin will speak 4 times at BC on February 12, 2019. To prepare for her visit, the library will offer free copies of her books *Animals Make Us Human* and *Thinking in Pictures*, which students will be able to pick up from the desk at the start of the Spring 2019 semester.
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.)


HQ 75.28 .U6 B465 2016

HQ 806 .W36 2018

HQ 1090 .H623 2017

HV 2430 .M4438 2017

HV 5825 .C56 2017

ML 394 .H48 2017

P 94.5 .F34 D43 2016

P 94.82 .U6 H46 2016

PN 1009.5 .R32 N47 2017

RJ 506 .A9 E4445 2018

SB 295 .C35 S63 2017