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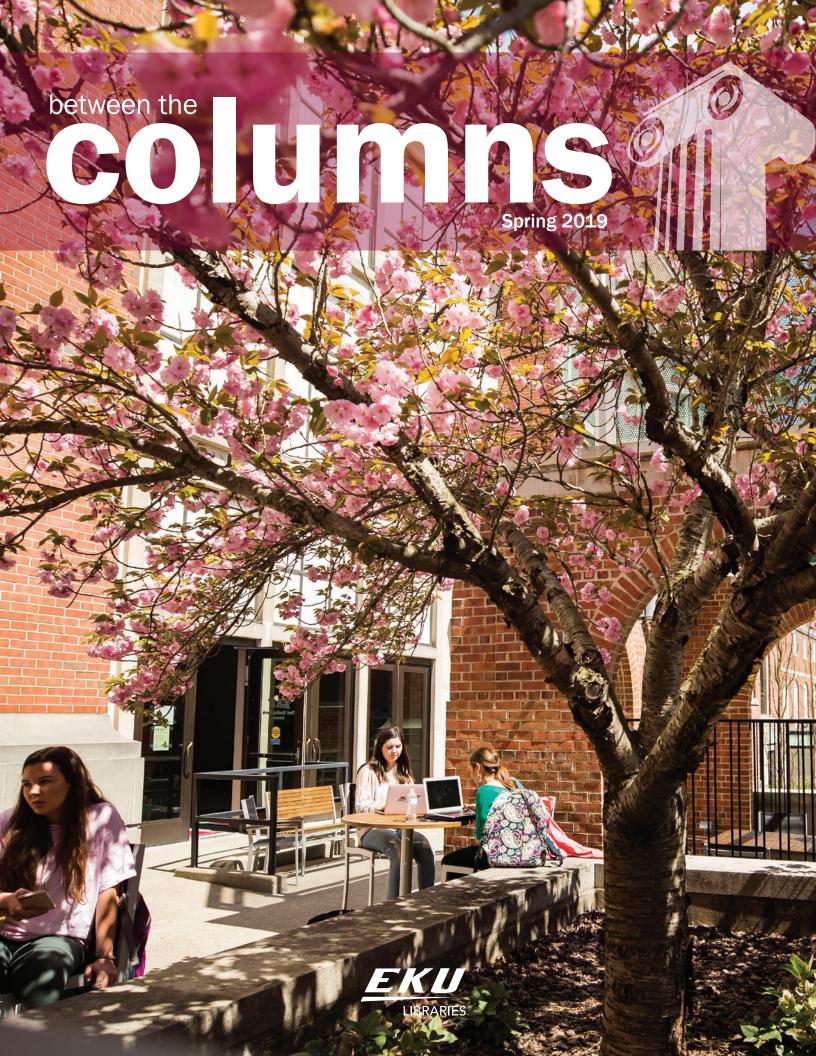
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## College for the Commonwealth

Eastern Kentucky University President Michael T. Benson visited the Grand Reading Room in November to discuss his book, College for the Commonwealth: A Case for Higher Education in American Democracy, coauthored with Hal Boyd.

## **EVENTS & HAPPENINGS**

#### **Speaking from the Margins**

#### **EKU's Military Community**

Dr. Eugene Palka, Vice President for Student Success, moderated a panel of four student veterans during *Speaking from the Margins: EKU's Military Community* in November.

#### EKU's Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Community

A panel of three students from EKU's Deaf and hard-of-hearing community was moderated by Laura Edwards, Librarian and Discovery & Metadata Team Leader, at *Speaking from the Margins: EKU's Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Community* in March.

#### **America's Funniest Professor**

Dr. Carl Hurley, comedian, Alumni Hall of Fame inductee, former professor of education, and recipient of an honorary doctorate degree from EKU, entertained an audience in the Main Library during *Homecoming & Reunion Weekend* in October.

#### Hot Dog, I Love EKU Libraries!

More than 300 students attended the *National Library Week* celebration, *Hot Dog, I Love EKU Libraries!* in April. Students told us what they love about EKU Libraries, while enjoying free food, as well as drinks and t-shirts (courtesy of Coca-Cola).

#### Focus on Scholarship

EKU professors Dr. Mike Austin, Dr. Jennifer Spock, and Dr. Scotty Dunlap are the first three faculty members to be featured in our *Focus on Scholarship* Facebook Live series, in which faculty from across campus are interviewed by librarians about their recent scholarship.

Watch recordings of many Library events: **youtube.com/ekulibraries** Learn about upcoming events: **facebook.com/ekulibraries/events** 

Photos (top to bottom): Dr. Michael Benson discusses College for the Commonwealth; Speaking from the Margins panelists Zachary Dollich, Stephanie Porras, Tyler Mullaney, and Tony Hoskins; Speaking from the Margins interpreter Derek Drury, moderator Laura Edwards, and panelists Brittney Caldwell, Alexio Mosher, and Jemima Chong; Dr. Carl Hurley with two former students; notes from students collected during Hot Dog, I Love EKU Libraries!; Dr. Mike Austin with Kelly Smith, Ashley Cole with Dr. Jennifer Spock, and Heather Beirne with Dr. Scotty Dunlap.













# Helping Students Where They Are

#### **Blackboard**

Rather than linking to a generic EKU Libraries landing page, each individual course in Blackboard, EKU's online course management system, now features a new "Library Resources" link that opens a customized library experience unique to that course. This new web page includes subject-specific research guides and databases, as well as point-of-need help including chat, frequently asked questions, and research appointments.

#### **Ask Us**

Students are now prompted to chat with librarians by a new chat widget that slides out when they arrive on certain library web pages. This widget is present on pages where our data show students have the most questions, such as the "Ask Us" help page and the databases and research guides lists. Since launching this feature, we have experienced a dramatic increase in the number of questions asked.

Ask Us



Do you need help?

A librarian is online & ready to help!



No Thanks

Library help chats increased by

210%

after implementation of chat widget\*

\*10/2017-2/2018 compared to 10/2018-2/2019



#### Get to Know Your Librarian:

## NICOLE MONTGOMERY

#### TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF AND YOUR POSITION:

As the Digital Learning Initiatives Librarian, I lead EKU Libraries' work in designing, developing, creating, and maintaining digital learning objects (DLOs) in support of information literacy and library instruction. DLOs may include video screencasts, tutorials, GIF images, research guides, FAQs, and more. While I do build many of these materials independently, I also collaborate with my librarian colleagues. It's been exciting to see these materials used and adapted in a variety of courses.

## HOW HAS TECHNOLOGY CHANGED HOW YOU DO YOUR JOB AND HOW THE LIBRARY SUPPORTS STUDENTS?

It's been interesting to see how technology is changing the way EKU Libraries serves students. Many of our tools and systems are cloud-based, which is expanding how and when we can assist students. Not long after I first started at EKU Libraries, we launched our first IM chat service to assist students and now, 10+ years later, we're getting ready to start using screen sharing technology in our chats! We are already using online meeting software to have one-on-one research appointments with EKU Online students.

#### WHAT ABOUT YOUR JOB GIVES YOU THE MOST SATISFACTION?

It is really satisfying collaborating with my librarian colleagues. These collaborations have resulted in high-quality videos and tutorials integrated in courses to support information literacy and library instruction across the disciplines.

## IS THERE A BOOK THAT HAS CHANGED YOUR LIFE OR WAY OF THINKING?

Jeannette Walls' *The Glass Castle* was one of the first times I saw myself reflected in literature.



Photo: Nicole Montgomery, Digital Learning Initiatives Librarian.

#### Alternatives to Traditional Textbooks:

### **Ensuring Quality and Saving Money**

It is time again to consider fall semester textbook options. In a market in which a single traditional textbook can cost upwards of \$400, are you looking to save your students out-of-pocket textbook costs?

Consider incorporating other types of resources when planning your courses. Here are three options that offer quality resources at no or low cost to your students:

#### **EKU Libraries Resources**

Don't forget, EKU Libraries pays around \$1.5 million per year to provide access to a plethora of articles, journals, books, videos, and more, most of which are available online, that can be used freely by all students and faculty. Articles and eBooks can be linked from Blackboard, and video clips can be embedded. **Browse our collections at libguides.eku.edu/az.php** 

#### EKU Libraries Textbook Collection

We keep a small collection of current textbooks on semi-permanent reserve, most of which have been donated by students or faculty. If you would like to donate a copy of a textbook to keep on reserve, please let us know.

#### Open Educational Resources (OERs)

Despite the common perception that "open" equals "bad," faculty and universities are increasingly disrupting the unsustainable textbook market by publishing their own freely-available-online textbooks. *Open Stax* (openstax.org), *Galileo* (oer.galileo.usg.edu/all-textbooks/), and *Oasis* (oasis.geneseo.edu/subject.php) are just three examples of the many open textbook repositories developed in recent years. Many of these sites also provide a low cost print-on-demand option for those who want or need a paper version. To learn more, visit our OER Guide: libguides.eku.edu/oer

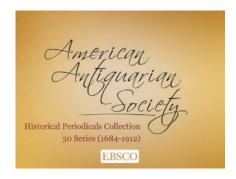
#### **Effect of Textbook Costs on Students\***



\*2016 Florida Student Textbook Survey http://tinyurl.com/2016textbookstudy

If you have questions about current library resources or open access options, please reach out to your Libraries Liaison (**library.eku.edu/liaisons-college**), who will be happy to connect you with quality resources tailored to your discipline. And be on the lookout for Libraries events related to open access in the fall—we'll have an exciting announcement about EKU faculty who are publishing open access textbooks in *Encompass*, EKU's digital archive.

# EXPLORE NEW RESOURCES







#### THE HIST ORYMAKERS.



For links and additional information, visit tinyurl.com/EKULibNewResources19





#### Special Collections & Archives:

## BUILT By You

One of the most frequently asked questions from new visitors to EKU Special Collections & Archives (SCA) is, "Where did you get all of this stuff?" The shortest response is simply, you—ordinary people who have recognized tomorrow's value in what is so often taken for granted today: a grandchild of a Madison County native who knew that her grandmother's diaries and photographs told a story so much larger than herself; a retired historian who wanted to make his lifelong hobby and passion of collecting history accessible to inspire an entire new generation of researchers; maybe even the president of a local organization who wants to ensure that the history of the organization is never lost, but forever well-preserved.

To those who have given manuscripts, records, books, or participated in one of our oral histories, thank you! You have helped us provide resources about EKU, Madison County, and Kentucky to a vast and diverse community of researchers.

To those who have inherited old letters, photographs, and other items that you aren't quite sure what to do with, let us help you preserve the memories of your loved ones. To those every-day historians, let us share your legacy with others. To those who are actively involved in local organizations, let us archive your records and weave them into the community history.

"My impetus for bringing students to the archives developed from a desire to make connections between my research and teaching transparent. EKU's Special Collections & Archives furthers students' connections through holdings that speak to the history of our region...SCA invites all of us to consider ways of reading that dissolve disciplinary boundaries and inform our thinking about relationships between time, place, and perspective."

Kadlec Papers; Sugar Grove School, Lincoln Co., KY, 1907, Leslie Anderson Papers.

- Dr. Heather Fox, Assistant Professor Department of English

#### DIY FAMILY ARCHIVES

June 13, 2019 | 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. John Grant Crabbe Main Library

Let the experts at EKU Special Collections & Archives teach you simple steps you can take to preserve your family archives during our *DIY Family Archives* workshop. This free opportunity includes lunch and a behind-the-scenes tour. Visit tinyurl.com/EKUDIYFamilyArchives to learn more and register.

# Information Literacy DEEP Course

#### The DEEP System

The Developing Excellence in Eastern's Professors (DEEP) system housed within Blackboard, EKU's online course management system, provides an opportunity for faculty to pursue quality professional development at any time and from any location. Designed for EKU by EKU, DEEP courses offer access to highly flexible and adaptable professional development across a variety of teaching and learning topics.

#### Information Literacy Course

EKU Librarians recently designed an information literacy DEEP course targeted to faculty who are interested in rethinking the design of their research assignments and learning new ways to develop students' research skills.

As faculty move through the four levels of the *DEEP: Information Literacy* course, they will:

Define information literacy within the context of their discipline:

#### **LEARNER**

Develop best practices for incorporating information literacy pedagogy in their curricula:

#### **PRACTITIONER**

Create a support network of librarians and disciplinary faculty within their department/college:

#### **ADVOCATE**

Inspire scholarship of teaching and learning centered on information literacy within the disciplines:

#### **SCHOLAR**

Visit studio.eku.edu/deep/informationliteracy to learn more and enroll.

Photo (background): Students in a Family & Consumer Sciences class at EKU.

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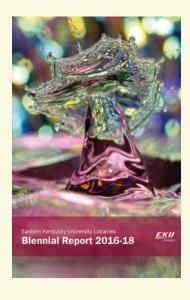
Friends recently sponsored the addition of artwork by Ida Kumoji-Ankrah, chair of EKU's Department of Art & Design, to the Faculty Center for Teaching & Learning. The four digital prints are titled *Opulence*, *Precision, Skillfulness*, and *Prosperity*.

#### **Biennial Report**

Read our 2016-18 biennial report online by visiting **issuu.com/ ekulibraries** and learn about the ways we are working to serve students, faculty, staff, and our region.

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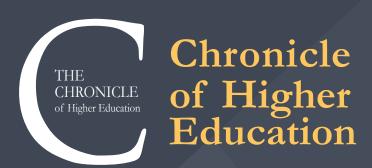
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The creative works of the fifteen *Archives After Dark* 2019 participants have been assembled into a publication. Read *Archives After Dark: Unleashed Creativity* by visiting: **tinyurl.com/EKU-AAD-BOOK19**. *Archives After Dark* is made possible through the generosity of *Friends of EKU Libraries*.

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