This Week at Shain Library, Fall 2019

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Welcome Back To Campus!!

We hope your summer was both fun and productive!

Special Shain Hours, August 25 - August 26
• Sunday August 25  4:00pm - 8:00pm
• Monday August 26  8:00am - midnight
• Tuesday August 27  Regular hours resume

Special Blue Camel Cafe Hours

• Sunday August 25 Closed
• Monday August 26 - Friday August 30  8:30am - 5:00pm
• Saturday August 31 - Sunday September 1  Closed

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Events

• Faculty Workshop: Moodle (and more!) Drop In  Monday August 26, 1:00pm - 3:00pm  Advanced Technology Lab

Are you ready for the new academic year? Need assistance setting up your gradebook? Quizzes? Class blog? Booking computer labs?

Members of the Instructional Technology staff – including our new Instructional Technology Specialist! – will be available to answer questions on Moodle, WordPress, Computer Labs, Google Apps, or whatever else is on your mind. Bring your own computer or use one of ours in the Advanced Technology Lab and get last-minute class preparation done. Refreshments will be provided.

Special Guide to Resources
• **Hey, Kiddo: Library Guide to Resources**  All incoming new students were required to read this graphic novel. Upperclassmen can borrow it from Shain Reserve  362.29 K928  If you found it interesting, you might consider going to this research guide, created by Andrew Lopez, Research and Instructional Librarian. The author, Jarrett Krosoczka, will be speaking at Connecticut College on September 17th, 7:00pm in Palmer Auditorium.

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**Readers' Corner**

Put politics aside. Former President Barak Obama has long been known as the most bookish president in decades. He recently published a list of the books he has been reading this summer...so in case you are looking for something to read as school starts, here are excerpts from his list (with his comments in quotes.) The full list can be found [here](#). If there are items on his list you would like to read but we do not have in the library, remember [Interlibrary Loan](#)!
• **The Nickel Boys**, by Colson Whitehead. Doubleday, 2019  Shain New Book Area  PS3573.H4768 N53 2019  "Sometimes difficult to swallow, by Colson Whitehead is a necessary read, detailing the way Jim Crow and mass incarceration tore apart lives and wrought consequences that ripple into today."

• **Wolf Hall**, by Hilary Mantel. Fourth Estate, 2009. Shain  PR6063.A438 W65 2009  "Hilary Mantel's epic fictionalized look at Thomas Cromwell's rise to power, came out in 2009, but I was a little busy back then, so I missed it. Still great today."
"Haruki Murakami’s Men Without Women examines what happens to characters without important women in their lives; it’ll move you and confuse you and sometimes leave you with more questions than answers."

"Lab Girl by Hope Jahren is a beautifully written memoir about the life of a woman in science, a brilliant friendship, and the profundity of trees. Terrific."

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Take a look at the Information Service blogs:

- [Engage](#) Teaching with technology @ Connecticut College
- [ResearchScapes](#) Discussions on the art and craft of research
- [Information Security - a Shared Responsibility](#) Dedicated to education in the cybersecurity landscape
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- Faculty Workshop: Test Drive Our New Overhead Book Scanner – Register
  Wednesday, September 4 1:30 – 2:30 pm  Behind the Reference Desk
Scan print publications quickly and easily with the library's new 400dpi overhead book scanner. OCR the text to make it accessible for students. Export mp3 files that read the text aloud. The cropping feature enables you to select, crop and export images or text with the swipe of a finger. The new scanner should make it easier for you to prepare higher quality course materials in a fraction of the time required on our old MFDs.

Future Event

- **Upcoming Community Read**  Remember last fall, when Shain had a community read of *To Kill a Mockingbird* to celebrate Banned Books Week? Well, this year, we have scheduled a new community read celebrating the 20th anniversary of the publication of another heavily banned book. It will be held all day on September 24th in the Chu Room. And the book? Some hints: it is part of a series published in Great Britain, the author's first name is Joanne. Can you guess it? Well, whether you can or you cannot, consider being part of the fun, and sign up for 20-30 minutes of reading throughout the day. Contact Carrie Kent (ckent@conncoll.edu) if you are interested.

Library Volunteerism?

Don't you dare start yawning!! Did you know that the Library of Congress is always looking for people to help out? They have crowd-sourced a large number of fascinating projects, such as the transcription of papers and letters. There are suffrage projects ([Votes for Women](https://www.loc.gov/resource/coll.01800/), papers of [Carrie Chapman Catt](https://www.loc.gov/resource/coll.12100/).
Elizabeth Cady Stanton, etc. etc.) There are Civil War projects, literary projects. Click here for a full list of their current crowd-sourcing campaigns.

For students, there are some interesting things that could work with special papers and projects. For faculty, there could be some interesting class projects here. And all the time, you will be contributing to the increase in digital primary resources available on the web!!

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Do not get complacent - get out and enjoy the weather! Walk in the Arboretum! For this is New England, and it shall all change very soon.

O Autumn, Autumn!

Effie Lee Newsome - 1885-1978

O Autumn, Autumn! O pensive light and wistful sound!
Gold-haunted sky, green-haunted ground!
When, wan, the dead leaves flutter by
Deserted realms of butterfly!
When robins band themselves together
To seek the sound of sun-steeped weather;
And all of summer's largesse goes
For lands of olive and the rose!

Future Event

- **Upcoming Community Read**  So, this is the second hint for what banned book will be read at the September 24th community read. And if anybody wonders why this particular book might be banned, click here. We celebrate Banned Book Week to help everyone remember the incredible books that some people, through time, have tried to restrict access to. We celebrate Banned Book Week to reaffirm our community's belief in intellectual freedoms. We have had many students and staff step forward to participate in the reading, but we could still use some more volunteers. Consider being part of the fun, and sign up for 20-30 minutes of reading throughout the day. Contact Carrie Kent (ckent@conncoll.edu) if you are interested.

Readers' Corner - From the New Book Shelves
• *How I Tried To Be a Good Person*, by Ulli Lust. Fantagraphics, 2017. Shain New Book Shelf PN6757.L87 W54 2019. From a review in *The Beat*: "Though described as memoir of Lust’s experience in a polyamory relationship with two men, it’s really a case study in what happens when your inner alarms are faulty. Lust recounts a time of her life as a struggling artist trying to make something of her life and break into a field that she has no formal schooling in."

• *Pirates: A New History, From Vikings To Somali Raiders*, by Peter Lehr. Yale University Press, 2019. Shain New Book Area G535 .L44 2019. Something about the word pirates stirs us when we hear it. This is an accessible and scholarly history by an international terrorism expert. [A review.](#)

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“When I hear music I fear no danger, I am invulnerable, I see no foe. I am related to the earliest times and to the latest.”

Henry David Thoreau, *Journal*, January 13, 1857,

- One of the digital collections that is available for use (your UNLIMITED use!) is the Naxos Music Library. Its content is predominantly classical
music (sorry rap aficionados!); it has over 2 million tracks from more than 146,000 CDs. It can be used for class-related study, personal listening in your room or (if you are faculty or staff) at your work desktop! Go ahead and explore!

Events

- **Getting Bi: Unpacking Biphobia and Bi Erasure and Creating a Culture of Inclusion**, a talk by Robyn Ochs. Monday, September 16th 7:00pm Charles Chu Room. A talk by [Robyn Ochs](#), who is an educator, speaker, grassroots activist, and editor of [Bi Women Quarterly](#) and two anthologies: the 42-country collection [Getting Bi: Voices of Bisexuals Around the World](#) and [RECOGNIZE: The Voices of Bisexual Men](#). An advocate for the rights of people of ALL orientations and genders to live safely, openly and with full access and opportunity, Robyn's work focuses on increasing awareness and understanding of complex identities and mobilizing people to be powerful allies to one another within and across identities and social movements. Robyn was recently named by [Teen Vogue](#) as one of “9 Bisexual Women Who are Making History.”

- **Faculty Workshop: Google Assignments in Moodle**  Tuesday, September 17 1:30pm - 2:30pm Advanced Technology Laboratory Google Assignments (formerly Course Kit) is a plugin for Moodle that facilitates assignment submission using Google Drive. Google Assignments integrates into Moodle to allow students to submit assignments and instructors to provide feedback using the Google Drive interface, while also integrating with the Moodle Gradebook.
Register using this link or stop by if your schedule allows. Coffee and brownies will be served. Hope to see you there!

- **The Politics and Policies of Muslim Exclusion: From the US to China to India; a Roundtable**  
  Thursday, September 19th  4:30pm - 6:30pm  
  Charles Chu Room  
  Professors Eileen Kane, Sarah Queen, Caroleen Syej, and Dean Accardi discuss the current crises and events occurring in the Islamic World. Refreshments at 5 in the Living Room. Sponsored by the Global Islamic Studies Program.

**Future Event**

**Upcoming Community Read**  
(September 24th, 9:00am - 4:00pm)  
So, of course you guessed that the book being read for Banned Book Week will be *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban*, published twenty years ago and banned every year since! We are still looking for a couple of readers (Contact Carrie Kent ckent@conncoll.edu if you are interested.) Or just come by that day and listen, learn more about intellectual freedom, have some chocolate, enter a contest, etc. etc.

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• **Banned Books and Intellectual Freedom**  Tuesday, September 24th 9:00am - 4:00pm  Charles Chu Room  To mark the importance of intellectual freedom, the Information Services staff will be presenting a variety of activities (as well as treats and give-aways) throughout the day. All day long, students, staff, and faculty will be reading from J.K.Rowling's book *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban* (a review from the day) which was published twenty years ago and has been banned every year since! There will be a display of other banned books, staff to talk about intellectual freedom, treats, give-aways, etc. Stop by and see us!

• **Public Health Pathway Drop-In Session**  Tuesday, September 24th  10:00am - noon  Blue Camel Cafe  Do you have questions about the public health pathway? Drop by and talk to pathway faculty and students about your interest in public health or in the pathways program.

• **The Return of Wrigley!!**  Wednesday, September 25th  11:00am - 1:00pm  Living Room  Last year we enjoyed a visit from Wrigley the Newfoundland, from Tails of Joy. He's coming back to see us again! (Of course, some people were convinced he was a bear, not a dog.) Wrigley may not be able to stay beyond the first hour, but a friend of his will replace him at noon. Come find out who it will be!
Did you know?

• ...that people actually play quidditch? Read about the annual World Cup here. Next year it will be played in Richmond VA. For a 2014 documentary on UCLA’s team, the Mudbloods, click here.

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A Visual Gift for Everyone Who Participated In Our Banned Book Week
Celebration!! (...But For the Rest of You, Too!)

"Artist Uses 100,000 Banned Books To Build A Full-Size Parthenon At Historic Nazi Book Burning Site"

- This is from the website BookishBuzz. Take a look at the full article about this amazing art installation!!! Make sure you get to page 4 of the article where there is great video.

New Books to Read Over Fall Break!
Yale Needs Women; How the First Group of Girls Rewrote the Rules of an Ivy Leaugue Giant, by Anne Gardiner Perkins. Sourcebook, 2019

Whether it was women breaking the gender barrier at Yale, or men doing the same at Connecticut College, life was not always easy in those early years. Here's a review of a brand new book on the subject.


Lots of good reviews of this book of short stories! Here's one from The New York Times.

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- **Green Dot at the Library!**  Monday, October 7th, all day  Front foyer of Shain  In keeping with the Office of Sexual Violence and Prevention's campus-wide Green Out day, Shain will host a Green Dot whiteboard
activity at the front of the library. Come by and participate (and grab a treat!)

- **The Climate Climate at Conn**  
  Tuesday, October 8th  4:00pm - 5:00pm  
  Charles Chu Room  
  Ever wondered how much energy Conn uses? How do our emissions compare to our peers? Join us for the answers to these questions and information about how Conn is addressing climate change by working to reduce our energy use and greenhouse gas emissions. We will provide an overview of our energy use and emissions over time and how we plan to achieve reductions over the next 10 years. Then, as questions and share your ideas with us for how we can better meet the challenge of the climate crisis.

- **How Cities, Citizens, and Companies Can Save the World**  
  Thursday, October 10th  4:30pm  
  1941 Room, Crozier-Williams  
  A talk co-sponsored by our Friends of the Connecticut College Library and the Sound Lab Foundation. Bill Finch, Director of the Discovery Museum and former Mayor of Bridgeport, led efforts that resulted in the development of Bridgeport as a hub of green development and its ranking among the top three cities in the Northeast for sustainability. For this he was given the Climate Leadership Award by the Environmental Protection Agency. At a time when New London and other cities are looking to grow
their green economies, Mayor Finch can offer insights from his own experience.

- **Ammerman Center for Arts and Technology Alumni Panel** Saturday, October 12th 1:00pm-2:00pm Visualization Wall, Shain Library Lower Level Illustrious Ammerman Center for Arts and Technology alumni will discuss the ever-changing field of arts and technology, exploring how their experience at the Center prepared them for life after Conn and their diverse range of professions.

**Public Service Notice - Obituary for Our Staplers**

Students: slamming down on a stapler does not fix it. It breaks it further. Please ask a staff member for help if a stapler appears to be broken or out of staples. Now, students at Conn are not alone in mistakenly thinking that brute force might be helpful. Here’s a link to a national site called [The Lives and Deaths of Academic Library Staplers](#).

**Three Amazing and Incredible New Novels...That Nobody is Borrowing from Shain!!!**
**The Testaments**, by Margaret Atwood. Doubleday, 2019 Shain Library CC - New Book Area PR9199.3.A8 T47 2019 From the prolific and redoubtable Margaret Atwood, more on the handmaids and aunts...
Here's a review from *The Guardian*.

• *The Water Dancer: A Novel*, by Ta-Nehisi Coates. One World, 2019. Shain Library PS3603.O17 W38 2019 This is Ta-Nehisi Coates' first novel, ten years in the writing! Here is a great interview of the author by Chris Hayes of MSNBC, in which Coates very effectively explains how it feels to write fiction.

New Exhibit

• **American Archives Month!** Through October 31 First floor of Shain Library October is American Archives Month where we celebrate archives and acknowledge the work of archivists and special collections librarians. In honor of the month, the Lear Center for Special Collections and Archives has an exhibit that features a variety of materials that they are tasked to preserve. From scrapbooks to photographs to film to objects of all kinds, archives hold the raw materials that help us contextualize and understand both the past and the current moment better.

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The Cyber Battlefield
FACING VULNERABILITIES

Arthur H. House

His role as the Chief Cybersecurity and Privacy Officer for the State of Connecticut since 2009. He served two years as Director of Connecticut’s Public Ethics, Regulatory, and Policy Authority. His experience includes cybersecurity strategy and policy work in the Black Sea and Balkan region. His background is in public sector and international banking. He holds a Ph.D. from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts.

October 14, 2019
3:30 - 5:00pm
Charles Chu Room, Shain Library
Reception will follow

Co-sponsored by Information Services and Career and Professional Development.
• **The Cyber Battlefield: Facing Vulnerabilities**  Monday, October 14th  3:30pm - 5:00pm  Charles Chu Room  Arthur H. House is the Chief Cybersecurity Risk Officer for the State of Connecticut since 2016. He served four years as Chairman of Connecticut’s Public Utilities Regulatory Authority. His work includes cybersecurity strategy and action plans in the Black Sea and Balkan regions. His background is in national security and international banking. [Here](#) is a 2018 op-ed written by House in *The Washington Post*.  Reception to follow in the Living Room.

• **Imagining the Underworld: Life After Death in Ancient Greek Religion**  Tuesday, October 15th  4:30pm - 6:15pm  Charles Chu Room  Ancient Greeks often imagined the souls of the dead leaving the body for another existence. Where did they think the dead were going, and what awaited them? Classicalist Radcliffe G. Edmonds, Bryn Mawr College, explores myth, art, and texts to reveal diverse and sometimes conflicting Greek ideas about life after death. An expert in Greek mythology, religion, and magic, Edmonds presents aspects of this continued existence, from punishment and reward in a physical underworld to a grander cosmic connection between mortals and immortals.  Reception to follow in the Living Room.
• **Settler Uprising: The Indigenous Origins of the American Revolution**  Wednesday, October 16th, 4:15pm-5:45pm  Charles Chu Room  Drawn from his current manuscript, “The Rediscovery of America: American Indians and the Unmaking of U.S. History,” Prof. Ned Blackhawk (Yale University) discusses larger efforts relating to U.S. history and efforts to build Native American Studies.

• **Digital Connecticut College: Build Websites and Tools for Class Engagement**  Thursday, October 17th  9:00am-10:00am  Advanced Technology Lab  Digital Connecticut College provides students, faculty, and staff with the opportunity to create a digital presence through various mediums such as websites, blogs, portfolios, and wikis. WordPress, MediaWiki, Drupal, Scalar, and Omeka are all available for developing class projects, sharing your research, and creating your digital identity. Digital Connecticut College also has other, very simple interactive applications that you can use to engage your class through collaborative writing and image collections.  Register here.
Performance, Performativity and Queer Theatricality: Modes of Masculinity in 1950s Modernism  Thursday, October 17th 4:30pm-5:30pm  Lecture by the Dayton Artist in Residence, Thomas Folland, who is an Associate Professor of Art History at Los Angeles Mission College. Reception in the Living Room.

Future Event

So, to prepare you for Halloween, we will be running another community read on Wednesday, October 30th, from 12-4 in the Living Room. This will be more relaxed (albeit spookier!) with seasonal treats and a draw for special prizes. And what will we be reading? Here's a hint:

"I'm not a psychopath, I'm a high-functioning sociopath. Do your research!"

Intrigued? If you would like to read, contact Carrie Kent (ckent@conncoll.edu)

Have You Seen.... ???
...our new displays of books on the first floor? Now, in addition to having shelving for our new books (we know you love those - 30.4% of them circulated this week!) we also have a display of recent books by our faculty, staff reading picks, and (as illustrated above by Sage Skyler '22) a display of current and popular magazines! Something for everyone!

...and Did You Know?

...October is Cybersecurity month! Don't get caught and have to wear a cone of shame!!

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  - [World Wildlife Organization, Threats: Effects of Climate Change](#)  
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Information Services and the Office of the Dean of the Faculty cordially invite you to the inaugural Celebration of Connecticut College Faculty Scholarly and Creative Work

October 24, 2019
4:30 to 6 p.m.
Charles Chu Room, Shain Library

Open Access Week Faculty Panel: Scholarly Communication is Everyone’s Business
Panelists: Luis Gonzalez, Perba Melkony, Maria Yeica, and Marc Zimmer
Scholarly Communication is Everyone's Business  Thursday, October 24th  4:30pm - 6:00pm  Charles Chu Room  Panelists: Luis Gonzalez, professor of Hispanic studies; Purba Mukerji, associate professor of economics; Maria Rosa, George & Carol Milne assistant professor of biology; and Marc Zimmer, Jean C. Tempel '65 professor of chemistry will address key issues regarding the costs and publication of scholarly materials. Also to be discussed will be some of the strategies that are being used to address these issues, such as open access and open educational resources.

Future Event

So, to prepare you for Halloween, we will be running another community read on Wednesday, October 30th, from 12-4 in the Living Room. This will be more relaxed (albeit spookier!) with seasonal treats and a draw for special prizes.

And what will we be reading? Here's another hint:

And we are still looking for readers. If you are interested, contact Carrie Kent (ckent@conncoll.edu)

Have You Seen...??!!
...our new displays of books on the first floor? Now, in addition to having shelving for our new books (we know you love those - over 30% of them circulated this week!) we also have a display of staff reading picks, current and popular magazines, and (as illustrated above by Professor Eric Fleury and his new book *Absolute War*) recent books by our faculty. Something for everyone!

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October 17 - October 25  
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Happy Halloween!!
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- Opening of the Living Proof Art Exhibit  Monday, October 28th  
  5:00pm - 6:30pm  Charles Chu Room  
  A panel discussion on the local and national impacts of the opioid epidemic. These impacts are reflected in the photographs from the exhibit itself. (This exhibit is described in more detail below in the New Exhibits section.) Reception to follow in the Living Room.
Quantum Computing and Artificial Intelligence (AI)  Tuesday, October 29th  3:30pm - 4:30pm  Charles Chu Room  Talk by Fletcher Previn '00, who is the Chief Information Officer of the IBM Corporation. A brief history of his role at IBM can be found here. Forbes Magazine published an interview with him in 2017. Reception to follow in the Living Room.

Or, are you a techie? Then read a recent article on quantum computing in Nature.

Hound of the Baskervilles, A Community Read  Wednesday, October 30th  noon - 4:00pm  Living Room  To prepare you for Halloween, we are reading Arthur Conan Doyle's Hound of the Baskervilles out loud. There will be a draw for some great prizes, as well as seasonal treats (that is to say, Halloween candy!)  Stop by and listen for a few minutes!
• **Faculty Workshop: Visualization of Data Series: Visualization of Space with StoryMap**  
  November 1st  12:00pm – 1:00pm  Davis Classroom  
  Join us for the first workshop in our new lunchtime series, Visualization of Data. In our inaugural workshop, Beverly Chomiak will inspire us to think about mapping in new ways as we explore existing StoryMap in a variety of disciplines. Beverly will then get us started creating our own StoryMap. Lunch is provided.  
  Register [here](#).

• **The Social Minds of Human and Other Apes**  
  Friday, November 1st, 4:15pm  Charles Chu Room  
  A talk by [Christopher Krupenye '11](#), winner of the 2019 Goodwin-Niering Center for the Environment, Alumni Environment Achievement Award. Reception to follow.

...And On the Subject of Censorship and Banned Books, In Case You Didn't Think It Could Happen Here...
Students at Georgia Southern University engaged in a book burning earlier this month. Multiple students burned copies of Jennine Capó Crucet's *Make Your Home Among Strangers*, which they were required to read as part of their first-year experience. The incident occurred after the author was on campus talking about her book and arguing with some students over issues of white privilege and diversity. For a *New York Times* book review, click [here](#). If you’d like to read the book: Shain PS3603.R83 M35 2015

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Happy Fall! Get Out and Have Some Fun!!!!
Events

All-College Symposium, Campus Wide Event!!  8:00am - 5:00pm
Come listen to your colleagues and friends talk about their projects, their papers, their research. Check in at Shain Library for information, ongoing refreshments, help throughout the day, and a community celebration at 4:00pm!
Pathways Drop-In Information Session  Friday, November 8th, noon - 1:00pm  First floor of Shain Library.  Come ask your questions about how to choose a pathway.

Did you know???  Books, books, books and more books!

You may have noticed that if you requested an article from interlibrary loan this semester, it came to your email very quickly?  Well, Shain now belongs to a new sharing consortium, and in addition to speeding up the delivery of digital materials, we now have access to over 19 million books that can be delivered in under four FOUR days!
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Got a Question?

So often students and faculty approach research librarians with the statement "This might be a silly [stupid, ignorant, etc.] question, but..." Of course, they are immediately assured that there is no such thing as a silly [stupid, ignorant, etc.] question. And that is true.

How do we know it is true? Because over the course of our careers, reference and research librarians get asked almost everything. To prove this point, this list entitled 10 Strange Questions People asked NYPL Librarians Before
Google was recently featured here. Take a look, and you will know that the question you have been reluctant to ask is not silly [stupid, ignorant, etc.] !!!

We are particularly fond of Question #9  **What is the nutritional value of human flesh.**

Come find us with your questions!
Text: 860-787-5001
    x2655
    refdesk@conncoll.edu
    Or
    (of course)
    In person at the Reference Desk!

Events

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Reader’s Corner: Reading When There Is No Time
Exams and papers are upon us. It is hard to find time to read something outside of academic assignments, isn't it? Here's one solution: read a beautifully written essay! Essays are short, they inspire us, they make us think, and, as we know, reading wonderful prose makes us write better prose ourselves. Here are a few great choices from the collections of Shain Library:


• **The Source of Self-Regard**, by Toni Morrison. Shain New Book Area PS3563.O8749 A6 2019 Her last book before her death. It hurts to even say that. From a review in *The New York Times*: "I used to believe that God created Toni Morrison for the voiceless among us, that He knelt down and encouraged a little black girl in Lorain, Ohio, to whisper “I want blue eyes”
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Special Shain Hours For PreRegistration

Tuesday, November 19th - Friday, November 22nd
Doors open at 7:15am

Events
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  First floor of Shain Library. Come ask your questions about how to choose a Pathway.

• **Color Me Aware- BEAD the Stigma**  
  Tuesday, November 19th, 8:00pm - 10:00pm  
  Front Foyer of Shain  
  This exercise is a way to remember and acknowledge the struggles of those who deal with mental illnesses. It will show the prevalence of mental illness on our campus. Each color bead corresponds to a different mental illness. Come place a bead in the corresponding jar if you struggle with that illness or know someone who does, and see that there are people all around us who understand the struggles that come with mental illness.
• **CC Alumni Panel on Co-Education**  Thursday, November 21st,
11:50am - 1:05pm Charles Chu Room  Panel discussion. Connecticut College alumni from the '60's and '70's will reflect on life at Conn during the transition to co-education. Sponsored by First Year Seminar 119H on the "Past, Present and Future@CT College"

• **Italian/American Identity and its [Dis]contents**  Thursday, November 21st  4:00pm - 6:30pm Charles Chu Room  A lecture by Professor Anthony Julian Tamburri. Italian Americans occupy a strong, if often contested, place in American media. Stereotypical representations of Italian Americans as overly sexual, violent, and sentimental began in the early twentieth century. Such depictions generated debates within the Italian/American community about, among many things, the casting of non-Italian Americans in Italian American roles, about the media's role in creating and maintaining stereotypical representations of Italian Americans, and about the lack of films about Italian Americans by Italian/American directors. This lecture examines and analyses the various forms of the representation of Italians in the media up to present times.
Reader's Corner: Did You Know...?

...that in 1980, President George H. W. Bush signed into law PL 101-343, which established November as Native American Heritage Month? Here are a few great books from Shain's collections written by native authors.


• Whereas: Poems, by Layli Long Soldier. Graywolf Press, 2017. Poetry exploring the intersection and conflict of language and culture. From a review in The Kenyon Review: "It's within a dual citizenship, as “a citizen of the United States and an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe,” that Long Soldier's Whereas also naturally lives—between the Lakota and English languages, between history and the present moment, between what's said and unsaid, between poetic traditions."

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Special Shain Hours For Thanksgiving Break

- Tuesday, November 26, 8:00am - 10:00pm
- Wednesday, November 27, 8:00am - 5:00pm
- Thursday November 28 & Friday November 29  CLOSED
- Saturday, November 30  10:00am - 2:00pm
- Sunday, December 1 10:00am - 2:00am

Getting Help to Get to the Finish Line!
The end of the semester is upon us, and everyone is moving fast to take those final jumps to the end! Don't forget, if you need help on specific projects, stop by the Reference Desk, or submit a consultation request. We can help you make the final leap to the finish line!

Don't forget KANOPY!!!

So, if you were planning to chill out, stay in, and watch Netflix, don't forget our amazing collection of films and documentaries in the database Kanopy!!

For instance, you can find an amazing collection of films on indigenous issues (seems an appropriate balance to Thanksgiving celebrations!) Here are just a couple of examples:

- **We Shall Remain**, PBS, 2009. Award-winning series on Native American history, starting with first contact in the 17th century and ending with current controversies. If you don't know a lot of the modern history of our native populations, this is a good place to start. There are five parts to binge on: *After the Mayflower, Tecumseh's Vision, Trail of Tears, Geronimo*, and *Wounded Knee*. 
More Than a Word: Native American-Based Sports Mascots, Media Education Foundation, 2017. From the Washington Redskins, to our current president's use of the Pocahontas’ name, many white Americans still do not understand their contributions to this form of racism. This documentary is a recent, highly intelligent treatment of this problem.

Seven Generations, by Reg Davidson

The Spirit of the Mask, Gryphon Productions, 1992. This documentary explains the use of masks and their role in the spiritual lives of nations from the Pacific Northwest.

And Just Because We Love Libraries....

Columbus Metropolitan Library in Columbus Ohio recently undertook a large fund-raising effort. As part of that, they commissioned a local, award winning poet, Scott Woods, to write a poem about the library. Here's the first stanza of that poem, and a link to the poet reading on YouTube.
A House That Cannot Fall
by Scott Woods

A hundred years from now, people who look vaguely like we used to will wonder, How did they ever make it?
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Welcome back from your stormy holiday!!

Snow Beneath Whose Chilly Softness
by
Emily Dickinson

Snow beneath whose chilly softness
Some that never lay
Make their first Repose this Winter
admonish Thee

Blanket Wealthier the Neighbor
We so new bestow
Than thine acclimated Creature
Wilt Thou, Austere Snow?

(.actual manuscript page of Dickinson's poem, from the Emily Dickinson Archive)

Events

Urban Renewal in New London: History and Legacies

Like many American cities, New London was dramatically transformed through a series of imaginative campaigns from the 1960s to the 1970s. A panel discussion at Connecticut College will address aspects of New London in the broader context of mid-twentieth-century urban renewal. Here various factors will be examined, including the impact of urban renewal on local communities and its challenges that are still playing out today.

Lizbeth Cohen
William and MacDonald Professor of American Studies at Harvard University and author of Radical America: Citizen Activism and the Cold War in the United States, 1953-1973

Philip Michalowski
Director, Connecticut and New England Historical Administration, 1969-1973

James Butler
Executive Director, Connecticut Council of Governments

Sybil Teitel
City Planner, City of New London, CT

Moderator: Anna Valle
Assistant Professor of Public History and Architectural Studies, Connecticut College

Sponsored by the Council of Independent Colleges with Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, and Friends of the Library.
• **Urban Renewal in New London: History and Legacies**  Monday, December 2nd 5:00pm - 7:00pm  Charles Chu Room  Like many American cities, New London was dramatically transformed through a series of redevelopment campaigns from the 1940s to the 1970s. A panel discussion among local and national experts will address events in New London in the broader context of midcentury urban planning in New England and across the country, the complex consequences and legacies of urban renewal, and the challenges that face planning today.

![Image of a group of people in a meeting room.](image-url)

• **Spanish for the Professions: Portfolio Showcase**  Monday, December 2nd, 7:00pm - 8:00pm  Shain Visualization Wall, Lower Level  The Spanish for the Professions end-of-semester portfolio showcase! Students will display and discuss their self-guided professional portfolios available through the course's Wordpress site.

![Image of a heart with the text #GivingTuesday](image-url)

• **#Giving Tuesday**  Tuesday, December 3rd  11:00am - 2:00pm  Shain Living Room  Join us for the international day of generosity with free sweet treats and coffee, chances to win Conn swag, and the opportunity to give back. See you there!
Lost in a Sea of Letters: Saʿd al-Dīn Hamuwayī (d. 1252) and the Plurality of Sufi Knowledge

Wednesday, December 4th, 4:30pm - 6:00pm  Charles Chu Room

A lecture by visiting scholar Cyril Uy, "Lost in a Sea of Letters" focuses on the work of Saʿd al-Dīn Hamuwayī (d. 1252), an influential Mongol-era Sufi whose esoteric speculations on the alphabet, the universe, and human perfection both bewildered and inspired future generations of occultists, mystics, and messiahs.

Come Help Decorate our Peace Tree!!!
Bring your paper-folding skills (or lack of them!) into Shain and spend some time making new decorations for our Peace Tree.

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Special Shain Hours

- Sunday, December 8  10:00am - 2:00am
- Monday, December 9  8:00am - 2:00am
24-hour opening begins. Library remains open from

- Tuesday, December 10 8:00am until Monday December 16 5:00pm

Then:

- Tuesday, December 17 - Friday, December 20 8:30am - 4:00pm
- Saturday December 21 - Sunday January 5 CLOSED

Events

Remember, there are always special things going on in Shain during finals. Pop-up study breaks, jigsaw puzzles, origami, chocolate at the Reference Desk! So be sure to stop by during finals week.

- **Holiday Community Read: Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*, and Other Stories for Other Holidays**  
  Wednesday, December 11th noon - 4:00pm  
  Shain Living Room  
  Come join us for special holiday reads, featuring Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*. Christmas bother you?! Well, there will also be some Hannukah stories to read. Now, reading Dickens' work might seem controversial. *A Christmas Carol* has been called anti-semitic, but others have said that it is a celebration of Jewish values! If you are not sure, come form your own opinion. There will be special (very special) holiday treats, and prizes. And if you want to read, contact Carrie Kent ckent@conncoll.edu.

New Exhibit
• **How to Be a Camel: The First Year Experience at Connecticut College 1915-2019**  
  December 6th - February 14th  
  First Floor Shain Library  
  What defines the First-Year experience at Connecticut College? Through the lens of first-year students from 1915 to today's Freshman class, this exhibition explores the challenges of becoming a camel. It considers how first-year students have navigated their transitions to Connecticut College, and how changing approaches to community and to the liberal arts shaped their first-year experiences. Curated by students from Karen Gonzalez Rice's First Year Seminar "Everyone's a Curator"

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