COMES SEE OUR NEW LOOK

Join us on **Wednesday, August 31st, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at our Library Open House. Visit with library staff, enjoy lunch, and see our new streamlined Ask Here customer service desk.

**LIBRARY HOURS**

- **Monday - Thursday**
  - 8:00 am - 10:00 pm
- **Friday**
  - 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
- **Saturday**
  - Closed
- **Sunday**
  - 4:00 pm - 10:00 pm

**Holiday Closures**
- Monday, September 5th
- Tuesday, November 8th
- Friday, November 11th
- November 24th - 27th

MORE HOURS
The library has gone through big changes over the summer!

The previous customer service desk

Disassembling the old desk

Assembling the new desk

The new desk and the new paint job
Come check out our newly updated study room on the third floor!

Room 315 has been refurnished with new decorations, a comfortable chaise, extra seating, and a white-board end table! Yes, you really can write on it!

The library has been planning this new service desk for over three years. We are excited to roll out this newly updated desk. A big thank you to Facilities Services for all their hard work in helping us realize this dream. We could not have done it without them!

JACKET GIVING DAY PROJECT

Come check out our newly updated study room on the third floor!
The Library is no longer charging overdue fines! You will only be charged in the event you lose the material you checked out. The fee will be the cost to replace it. Also, student check-out periods have been extended. Interlibrary Loan (ILL) fines still in place because those fees come from lending libraries.

**GREAT NEWS! GOODBYE OVERDUE FINES**

**GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS**

The Government Documents Collection has gone digital!

The last year has brought several changes to the Federal Depository Library Program in which MSUB Library participates. Microfilm has been phased out entirely and more and more backfiles are being digitized. This has led to the Library deciding to become a Digital Depository. That means all new government documents added to the collection are in electronic format only. All electronic government documents can be accessed through the MSUB Library Catalog. The current print collection of documents already housed in the Library will remain as it is.

**LIBRARY CHAT**

Library staff is available to assist you online via WebEx chat between 8:30 - 4:30pm, M-F. Just click on the Ask Us button at the top of the homepage, or the Chat with a Librarian button. Simply enter your name and email and we will be ready to help!
LIBRARY LECTURE SERIES

The library will be hosting the Library Lecture Series in September and October from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in Petro Theatre. For further information check the Library’s website.

Dates:
- September 27th
- October 4th
- October 11th
- October 18th
- October 25th

NEW ONLINE RESOURCES

The library now has access to an additional four magazine archives:
- *The New Republic* (1914–2020)

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Need something we don't have?
Request items that we do not own from libraries all over the world (Books, book chapters, articles, DVDs) through Interlibrary Loan (ILL). Free for students, faculty, & staff!
The MSU-Billings Library provides high-quality library instruction sessions for all levels of MSUB courses. A member of our Instruction Team will tailor a session to fit the specific needs of your course and your students. In order for library staff to adequately prepare an instruction session please make your instruction request a minimum of one week in advance of when you would like the session to take place.

There are several different instructional models that are available. Depending on the circumstances, the number of students, room availability, and other factors your instruction session may be in-person in the Library, in-person in your classroom, virtually in your classroom, or virtually to students wherever they are. Each instruction request will be assessed by the faculty member and the librarian to determine the best mode of delivery.

To request an instruction session please fill out the Library Instruction Request form.

Faculty and staff have virtual access to over 200 research databases, thousands of electronic books, streaming video, and library research guides through the Library’s homepage. Faculty can request library instruction, whether in-person or through WebEx. Specialty library research guides can be created for your course like the City College Nursing Programs or the Business: Human Resources. Contact Eileen Wright at ewright@msubillings.edu or 406-657-1656 with any questions or requests.
**WELCOME**

Nathan Sonnenschein, User Services and Experience Librarian

Nathan joined the library staff on April 4, 2022. He earned a Bachelors degree in psychology from the University of Wyoming in 2019 and an Associate degree in Liberal Arts from Central Wyoming College in 2016. He earned his Master of Library & Information Science (MLIS) degree from the University of Illinois in December 2021. While at the University of Illinois, Nathan worked as the Graduate Assistant for Global Studies at the International and Area Studies Library where his duties included coordinating the annual International Studies Research Lab. Nathan is looking forward to meeting and collaborating with faculty and staff across campus and working on innovative ideas to contribute to student success and improving the library customer service experience.

Nathan’s contact information is: Nathan.sonnenschein@msubillings.edu or (406) 657-1665.

Nicole Bernard, Administrative Associate

Nicole joined the library staff on July 11, 2022. Prior to joining the library staff full-time, Nicole worked in the MSU Billings Library as a student assistant at the Ask Here Desk for three years. Nicole earned her Bachelors of Science Psychology degree from MSU Billings in May 2022. Nicole is enrolled and will start online classes in August 2022 to earn her Master of Library & Information Science (MLIS) degree through Emporia State University. Nicole’s looking forward to meeting and working with faculty and staff in her new role in the Library’s Administrative office.

Nicole’s contact information is: Nicole.bernard1@msubillings.edu Or (406) 657-2262.

**AWARDS**

This year, several of our staff received Years of Service awards for their time at MSUB:

- Eileen Wright, Librarian/Archivist, 20 years
- Megan Thomas, Electronic Resources & Assessment Librarian, 15 years
- Samantha Thatcher InterLibrary Loan and Periodicals Technician, 10 years
- Chandra Shaw, Access Services Technician, 5 years

Megan was also nominated for a Staff Recognition award.
At the Montana Library Association (MLA) Tri-Conference on August 5th, Eileen was awarded the Dan Chaney Unsung Hero Award from the Mountain Plains Library Association (MPLA).

As a reference Librarian/Archivist for MSUB, Eileen wears many hats as well, teaching classes, partnering with faculty on grant-funded research projects, and serving as an archivist for the university. She serves on the statewide Montana Memory Project and is appointed by the governor to the State Historical Records Advisory Board.

Eileen's unassuming good humor and ready laugh make her a joy to partner with, but her real strength is her productivity and work-ethic. Never intimidated by a challenge, she jumped right in to helping with the MPLA Archives Task Force project, bringing her experience, curiosity, and creativity to the complex planning and execution of this important initiative. Without her careful guidance the MPLA Archives might still be in storage in Denver, no closer to being accessible to the world. Eileen is an amazing team-mate and powerhouse partner, and would never ask for recognition for that work. This is what made Eileen a perfect candidate for this award.

CONGRATULATIONS EILEEN!!!
The collection represents the institutional memory of our University from 1927 to the present. It contains such items as yearbooks, the student newspapers, President’s files, Admission publications, annual reports, meeting minutes, and newsletters from various committees and departments.

_Montana Memory Project_ houses several of our collections now in a digital format all accessible through our _Special Collections_ research guide.

Some of the collections digitized are General Bulletins, Graduate Catalogs, City College Catalogs, and the Yearbooks. Another fun collection to view is the photographs from 1930 to 2016, and it is continually growing. Lastly, read about what the students were doing in their own words through the student newspapers, which are housed through _Montana Newspapers_.

UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES
FALL EVENTS

Thursday, September 8th, 1pm:
"Pop" Into the Library
• Come get some free popcorn in the Library

Monday & Tuesday, September 12th & 13th:
"Pop" Into the Library
• Come get some free popcorn in the Library

Wednesday, September 21st, 10am-1pm:
Back to School Backyard Bash
• Join us for games in the stacks and lunch!

Thursday, September 29th, 6:30pm:
Montana's Visionary Mayor talk and book signing in LI 148

Tuesday, October 4th:
"Pop" Into the Library
• Come get some free popcorn in the Library

Saturday, October 8th, 7:30pm:
High Plains Book Awards Ceremony in Petro Theatre

October 12th-19th:
Pumpkin Carving & Painting
• Pick up your pumpkin on the 12th and bring it back by the 19th to have it judged the following week!

Wednesday, November 2nd:
"Pop" Into the Library
• Come get some free popcorn in the Library

Monday, December 5th, 12pm:
Primal Scream and free pizza

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