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Instruction Sessions Available for Your Class

- How to use the Library Catalog. How to find books, journals and other resources that the library owns.
- Library Use policies, physical layout of the library
- General interest databases. Like ProQuest, EbscoHost, JStor etc. Searching basics.
- Subject specific databases: Math Review, ChemVillage, Science Direct, Avery Index, etc.
- Citation styles APA, MLA, and other citation styles
- Newspaper, magazines vs. journals. Differences between primary and secondary sources.
- Evaluating resources: Online resources and traditional resources evaluation.
- Locating full-text when you only have a citation: E-Journals searching and locating a particular item through a citation
- Building a search strategy: Broadening or narrowing a search through building search blocks; identifying keywords. Boolean logic.
- Copyright and Plagiarism: Ethical use of information

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What is ERes ...

ERes is the library's new electronic reserves system where material including articles and multimedia can be retrieved 24/7 from anywhere in the world.

… For Students ...

Besides the library, students and faculty can access reserves material from the dorm room, office, from home and from anywhere in the world 24/7. The readings are now always available; you no longer need to wait for the item to be returned, no more time limits, and late fee charges no longer apply. Student surveys have shown increased late night study habits. Many students are attending remote campuses where material access has been an issue in the past. ERes meets all these needs.

Getting Started Viewing an E-Reserve Document

From the top navigation bar on any of the library's web pages (http://www.pvamu.library/), click on Electronic Reserves. Click on Start here and then select either Course Pages, Department or by Instructor.

Password

When prompted for a password, enter the course code and number all together for example in this case enter misy5203 in lowercase.

The password is unique for each course and is displayed on the top of each course page.

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How to post documents and multimedia on ERes

1. Fill out the Reserve Submit form.
2. Turn in the form along with the supporting documents (or email) to a Reserve Coordinator or to your subject liaison.
3. Done!

Access - All materials are available 24/7 any where in the world
ADA - Documents on ERes are American Disability Act compliant
Availability - The dates for any document to become live or suppressed can be set
Class notes - Can be posted
Copyright/Fair Use - ERes manages the usage. The library will request permission to post materials for you
Course Packs - ERes is a companion not alternative
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Exam Examples and Study Guides - Can be posted
Fax Line - (936) 261-1546 - Dedicated fax line for ERes
Format - Word processing documents are converted in PDF format files
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Multimedia files can be hosted such as video, graphics, PowerPoint and more on ERes
Password - All reserves are password protected at the course level (Fair use requirement)
Quality control - Library staff will double check each document posted
Statistics - Use statistics is automatically maintained
Submit Form - http://www.tamu.edu/pvamu/library/Circulation/
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