



Welcome to

Penfield Library

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Guide to
Library
Services





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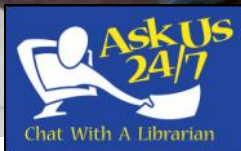
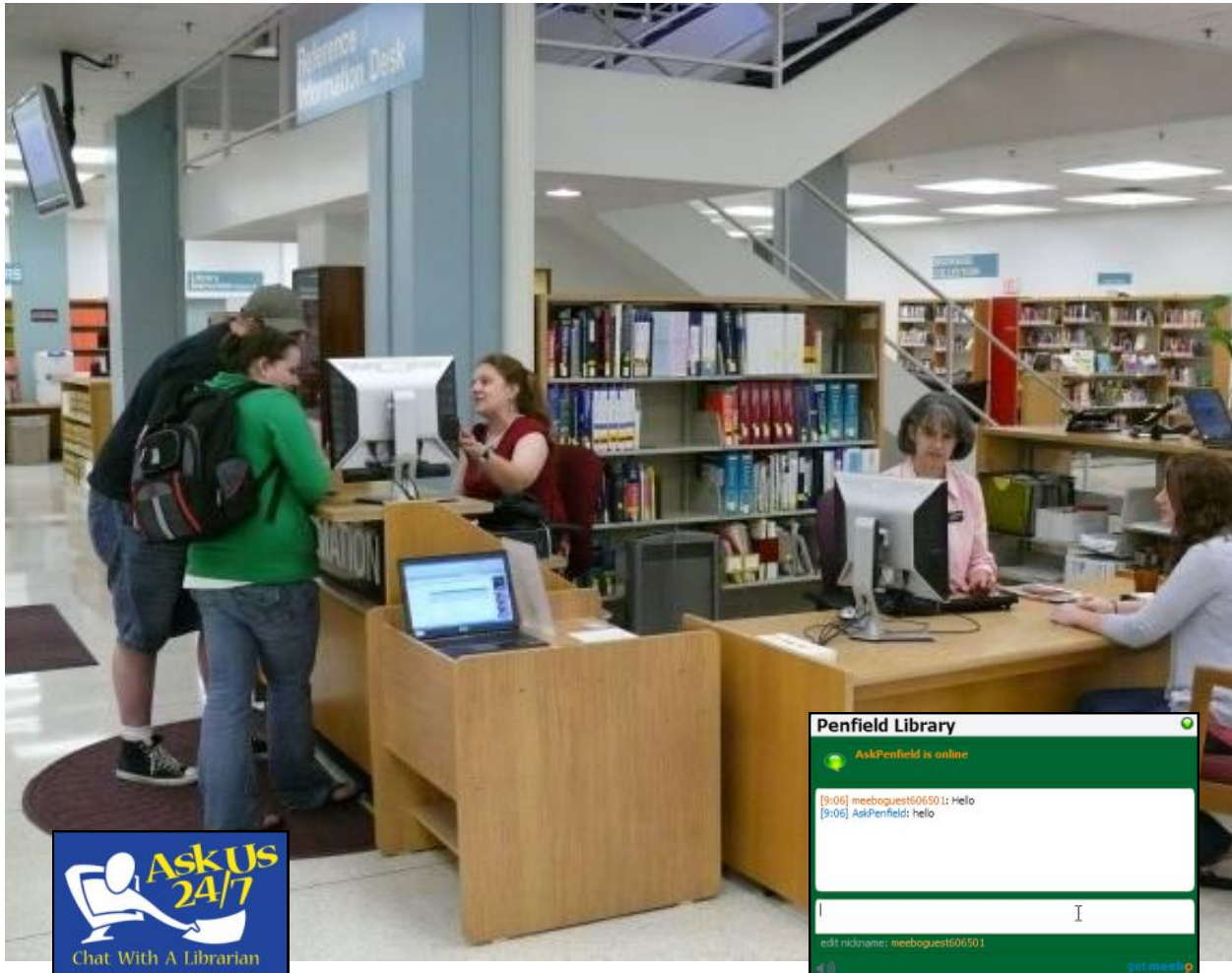
Mary Beth Bell

On behalf of the entire Library staff, I'd like to welcome you warmly to SUNY Oswego and Penfield Library. The Library's primary goal is to support the teaching/learning mission of the College. Our staff are dedicated to the provision of high quality, friendly resources and services to support student and faculty study and research. We hope that you will see the Library as a welcoming place to meet, study quietly or collaboratively in groups, share ideas, explore new and exciting worlds and perhaps even find inspiration. While many of our databases, reference tools and services are now easily accessible from locations across campus and indeed across the world, we also know that students attending a residential college such as ours continue to need a place away from the classroom and the dorms where they can escape on occasion. We want you to see the Library as your living room away from home. We strive to provide a wide range of different kinds of comfortable seating and study spaces, the most current technology, a collection that is rich in both print and electronic resources, places to create and practice presentations, an art gallery, help with difficult term paper/research assignments, a 24-hour study space equipped with computers and even a cozy Starbucks Café. Our staff are here to help you succeed. Use us! We truly love working with you. We are here for you and welcome your input on ways that we can improve what we do.

Ask A Librarian Services



oswego.edu/library/askalibrarian



- In-Person Research Help available most hours the library is open.
- Questions answered via E-mail (askalibrarian@oswego.edu) or phone (315-312- 4267).
- Chat Reference Help available with Penfield Librarians for many hours of the week.
- Chat Reference Help available 24/7/365 with college librarians across the country via our AskUs 24/7 Service.
- X-Treme Research Appointments with Subject Librarians available for assignment specific one-on-one meetings.

Computers, Software, and Printing

Penfield Library offers nearly 100 desktops and 40 laptops to borrow to use in Penfield. There is wireless internet access throughout the library. Computers in Penfield are equipped with the Microsoft Office Suite, as well as additional software.

All students get a 500 page per semester print quota, which can be used in Penfield Library. Color printing is also available in Penfield Library.

The 24-hour room has printing available, but access to pick up printouts is restricted to hours the library is open.



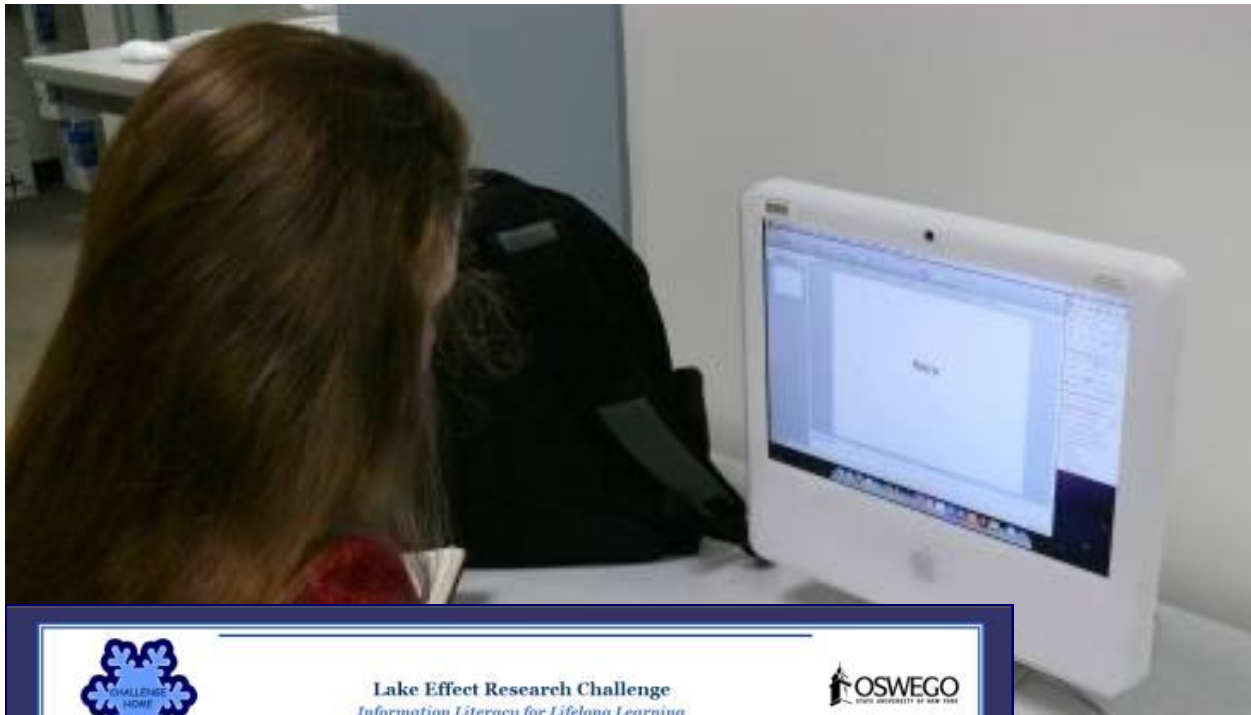
Borrowing from Penfield Library

Penfield Library has hundreds of thousands of books available to check out, but we also have much more available to borrow. All you need to borrow items is your SUNY Oswego ID card. Some of the materials available to borrow are:

- Music CD's of popular, classical, and other various styles.
- Scanners, Video Cameras, Digital Voice Recorders, Portable DVD players.
- Laptops for use in the library.
- Popular fiction.
- Professional Teaching Material from the Teaching Resources Center.

Library Instruction

oswego.edu/library/instruction



The image shows two overlapping website screenshots. The top screenshot is for the "Lake Effect Research Challenge" website, which features a blue snowflake logo and a navigation menu with six steps: 1. Picking and Exploring a Topic, 2. Searching, 3. Finding Books, 4. Finding Journal Articles, 5. Finding Quality Websites, and 6. Evaluating & Citing Sources. The main content area includes sections for "How to get started:", "Option 1 - To Get Help With my Research", "Option 2 - For a Class", and "The Lake Effect Research Challenge will help you to". The bottom screenshot is for the "Information Literacy Center" website, which has a navigation menu with options like Group, Calendar, Content, Resources, Communicate, Report, Automate, and Manage. The main content area includes sections for "What is Information Literacy?", "Definition of Information Literacy", "Am I Information Literate?", "The SUNY Oswego Requirement to Strengthen Advanced-Level Information Literacy", "The Matrix", "Middle States and Information Literacy", and "Resources for Infusing Information Literacy in the Disciplines".

Penfield Library's Instruction program is designed to teach Research and Information Literacy Skills to Oswego students. We have a vigorous liaison program, with a librarian assigned to teach Information Literacy skills and work closely with departmental faculty. Penfield Library also has Online Tutorials such as the "Lake Effect Research Challenge" and Instructional Materials in Angel. The Library offers Faculty Workshops and a course (GST 300) to develop Information Literacy.

The Library's Collections

oswego.edu/library/collections

Penfield Library has almost 400,000 volumes of curriculum specific material in its monographic collection. In addition, Penfield maintains subscriptions to dozens of databases containing tens of thousands of journals, all available electronically from either on campus or off. The library provides access to its electronic materials through its website. Because we have so many electronic resources, subject librarians have assembled Research Subject Guides by Subject to provide the most relevant resources to students conducting research in those areas.



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Citing Your Sources

General & Interdisciplinary Research Guide

Some resources require you to login. If you have difficulty, consult our technical help page.

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Search over 2,700 periodicals for information on a broad range of general reference subjects including arts, business, humanities, social sciences, and the sciences.

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Special Collections and Archives

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From “Snow Scenes from SUNY Oswego” virtual exhibit.



CAMP SHADY SHORE—OSWEGO NORMAL
SUMMER SESSION 1925

From “Camp Shady Shore” virtual exhibit.

Penfield Library’s Special Collections preserves documents relating to the college’s and Oswego’s history. Special collections has many digitized collections, including photos, oral histories. Special Collections is open during select hours, and by appointment. Each year, Penfield Library hosts “Display to Archives,” celebrating Oswego Faculty’s Scholarly and Creative Works. For more details, go to www.oswego.edu/library/archives.



SUNY Oswego Penfield Library Special Collections

From “Snow Scenes from SUNY Oswego” virtual exhibit

From “Millard Fillmore Papers” digitized collection



The Lake Effect Café



Penfield Library's Lake Effect Café is open most of the hours that the library is open. This is a great place for students and faculty to gather to study or socialize. Library laptops can be taken into the café, and there is wireless throughout. As the café is run by Auxiliary services, certain meal plans and flex spending plans as well as cash are accepted. The café serves foods such as wraps, sandwiches, baked goods, soup. Most importantly, the café serves Starbucks coffee and specialty drinks. Throughout the year, special events are also hosted in the café.



What's Happening @ Penfield?

Penfield Library always has something going on. Whether it's an exhibit of student or faculty artwork, or hosting important exhibits focusing on national or international issues, you'll find that Penfield continuously provides a unique experience for the SUNY Oswego community.



Conditions Immediately after the Bombing as Drawn by Survivors



HIROSHIMA & NAGASAKI



"Man as you" (Picture: Professor)



Interlibrary Loan

oswego.edu/library/ill

SUNY Oswego faculty, staff, students, and partners of faculty and professional staff are eligible for Interlibrary Loan. Interlibrary Loan services include borrowing books from other libraries, acquiring scanned copies of journal articles, and borrowing other materials. Although we do strive to ensure that all requests are processed and filled as quickly as possible, whether the request is filled or how quickly the you receive items depends on availability, cost, and other factors dependent upon other libraries.

Our Interlibrary Loan system, ILLIAD, allows for automated requests from any of our journal databases, and from the main library catalog for other libraries (Worldcat). We use



360 link software, which imports information into ILLIAD wherever you see the 360 link logo.

To use ILLIAD, you will need to create an account at: illiad.oswego.edu/Illiad/. After you create an account, you will be able to view the status of requests from within ILLIAD.



Course Reserves

If there are readings beyond textbooks that can supplement the class, the library will put them on course reserves. Penfield has electronic reserves available, and will scan in book chapters, articles, or other material. Reserves are subject to copyright, and will be reviewed for copyright compliance by Reserves staff.

Faculty can submit requests for Reserves at: oswego.edu/library/circ/reserves_form.pdf, or email reserves@oswego.edu or at the circulation desk.

Library Spaces

Penfield Library has many spaces available for a variety of needs. From the bustling Lake Effect Café to the 3rd floor reserved for quiet study, you'll find a place in which you feel comfortable. Some of the spaces the library has to offer are:

- Technology equipped group study rooms (The Lake Effect Conference Room)
- Group study rooms on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd floors
- Lake Effect Café
- Individual Study Carrels
- Media Room, and Media Equipment Areas
- 3rd floor quiet study area
- Comfortable seating throughout all floors conducive to individual or group study
- Space available for presentation practice
- Computers throughout lobby and in Computer Lab
- 24-Hour study room open all hours whenever classes are in session
- Informal meeting areas throughout library

Some of these spaces can be reserved for group meetings, and carrels can be reserved for the semester or day. Please ask at the Information Desk for more information.



How to Contact
Penfield Library



Library Phone Numbers

Library Hours (Automated)	312-3122
Information Desk (General and Research Questions).....	312-4267
Circulation Desk (Renewals, Fines, Reserves)	312-2560
Periodicals/Media Desk	312-3560
Special Collections	312-3537
Interlibrary Loan.....	312-4546
Library Administration	312-4232

Library E-mail/Web Addresses

Research Help	askalibrarian@oswego.edu
Circulation (Renewals, Fines)	circdesk@oswego.edu
Interlibrary Loan	ill@oswego.edu
Library Instruction	infolit@oswego.edu
Subject Library Liaisons	oswego.edu/library/instruction/sub_lib.html