

# Point Park University Library News

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## Here's What's Happening at the Library!

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### Smart Start...at the Library

Over the summer the library welcomed 52 incoming freshmen for 2 weeks of information literacy classes. The Smart Start students were introduced to library resources, learned about plagiarism and citation, and spent time with the library staff becoming familiar with academic life. The class was taught in conjunction with 3 other sections taught by members of the PAS (Program for Academic Success) staff.

Many thanks to all our Smart Start students for making this such a great experience!

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## Films on Demand

Are you looking for educational videos or documentaries? Try searching our online database Films on Demand! This excellent resource includes videos on a wide range of topics including: Art, Business, Criminal Justice, Dance, Education and much more.

Set up a user account and you can create and share customized playlists with your students or classmates!

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### Individual Research Appointments

Do you need in-depth research assistance for a paper or project? You can schedule an appointment to meet with any of the Reference Librarians! Just contact anyone on the library staff for more info and we will help you set something up.

### Blackboard Librarian

Faculty: do your students need research help? A librarian can be "embedded" in Blackboard for any of your courses, and will be available to answer research questions and give library help directly through Blackboard!

## Featured Library Resources:

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Are you doing market research? Then take a look at one of our newest databases Business Insights: Global. This excellent resource provides case studies, statistical data sources, news articles, academic journals and topical reference materials necessary for conducting research in the global environment of business.



Find statistics for just about everything using our brand new database Statista—statistics are available for over 85,000 topics! Search for stats through the user-friendly interface and download statistical information in Excel and PowerPoint formats.



Want to brush up on your foreign language skills? Try Mango, the library's language learning center. Mango not only offers online courses for English speakers looking to learn another language, but also provides courses for non-native English speakers looking to improve their English.

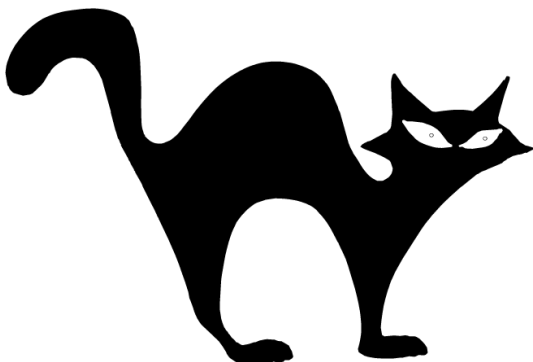
Click on "Learn a Language" from the library homepage to sign up for your free Mango account today!

Some available languages: Arabic, Mandarin, Croatian, Czech, Dari, Dutch, Farsi, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Hindi, Indonesian, Irish, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Norwegian, Pashto, Portuguese, Russian, Slovak, Spanish, Thai, Turkish, Urdu, Vietnamese... and more!

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## Thanks, USG!

The library would like to thank the United Student Government for their very generous gift of **3 new iPads!** The iPads will be added to our collection, bringing the total number of library iPads to 8. All iPads are available to be checked out by Point Park students, faculty and staff!



# Trivia Tuesdays on Facebook

Be the first to answer our weekly questions and win a **\$10 gift card** to Starbucks!

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Pictured here is Marvin Buncher, Vice President of Student Affairs and the Point Park Bison being chased by Point Park Students dressed in holiday garb as part of traditional seasonal festivities.

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## New Stuff:

Check out one of these titles from our book collection

*Animal Liberation* by Peter Singer

*The Day the World Ends: Poems* by Ethan Coen

*Game Over: Jerry Sandusky, Penn State, and the Culture of Silence* by Bill Moushey (Point Park Faculty)

*Invisible War: United States and the Iraq Sanctions* by Joy Gordon

*The Legacy of David Foster Wallace* by S. Cohen and L. Konstantinou

*Prague Winter: A Personal Story of Remembrance and War, 1937-1948* by Madeleine Albright

*The Red House: A Novel* by Mark Haddon

*You Can't Win* by Jack Black



# Halloween Costume Contest

It's never too early to start planning your Halloween costume...especially when you can dress up and enter the library's 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Halloween Costume Contest! Wear your most spectacular costume and you could win a prize! The contest will take place Tuesday, October 30th and Wednesday, October 31st. All participants' pictures will be posted at the library and voted on by the student body and the library staff...and of course there will be candy involved.

We can't wait to see what you all will be wearing!

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### Hours:

Mon -Thurs.: 8 a.m.—Midnight

Friday: 8 a.m.—7 p.m.

Saturday: 8 a.m.—7 p.m.

Sunday: 11 a.m.—9 p.m.