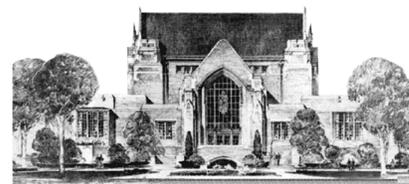


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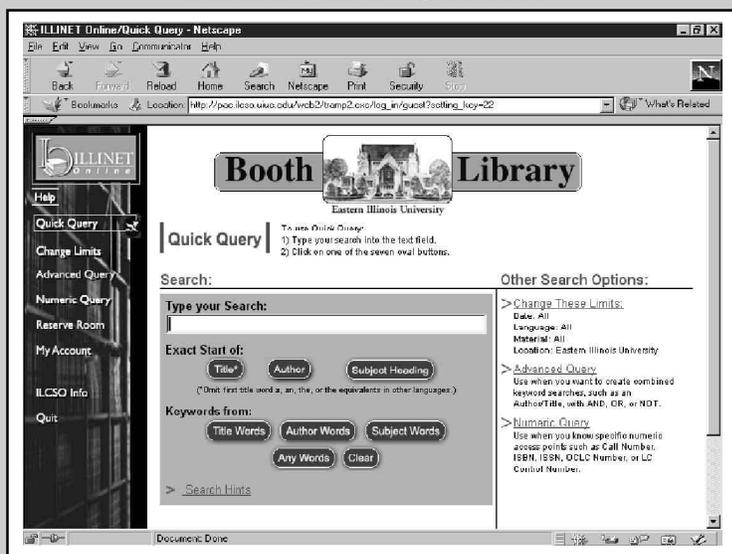


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A New Look for Familiar Online Resources

ILLINET Online

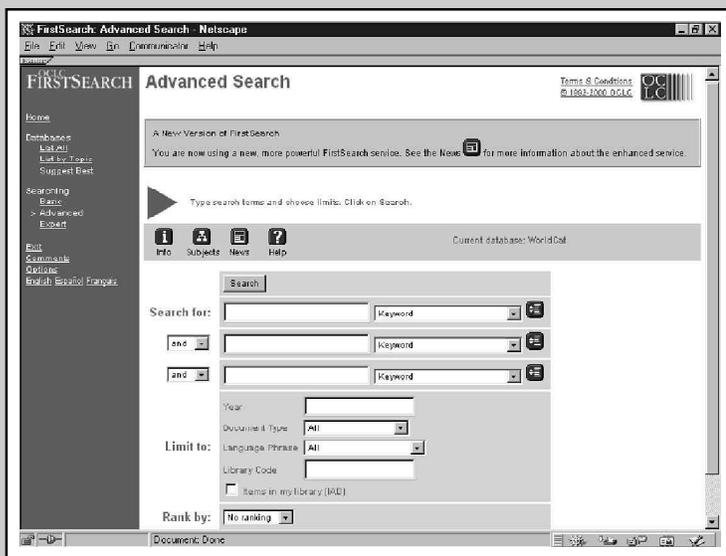


ILLINET Online is the catalog of books and other materials owned by Booth Library and 44 other academic libraries in Illinois. The new ILLINET Online web interface (sample screen left) provides all the features of the old web version and incorporates new capabilities. Among the new features is the ability to limit an advanced search to only holdings at Eastern and the ability to cancel an item request. The search screen has been simplified with a single text-entry point. To do a search, simply enter the information you have and click on the appropriate search button below. To access this resource, click on ILLINET Online on the library web site. Call the Reference desk (581-6072) for help with any electronic resource.

New FirstSearch

The new, enhanced FirstSearch (sample screen right) is a powerful reference tool that makes finding and managing information easier. FirstSearch, at Booth Library, is a comprehensive online reference service that provides access to multiple databases covering a wide range of disciplines. The new service provides instant access to full text from over 6,000 periodicals and more than 1,700 full-image journals online through a single interface. In addition, the WorldCat database provides bibliographic and holdings information for over 41 million items held in libraries worldwide.

For help using the new FirstSearch, visit the Reference desk or call Reference Services at 581-6072.



The new FirstSearch delivers:

- Streamlined access to OCLC Interlibrary Loan (ILL)
- Assistance in selecting appropriate databases for your search
- Thousands of full text articles online including articles from electronic journals
- Flexible search capabilities

Attention Education Researchers!

ERIC, the research database of the U.S. Department of Education, now may be searched a new way at EIU. FirstSearch, one of our database vendors, has developed a way to retrieve full text articles on ERIC. You will still have access to the ERIC database using Ovid, another vendor. Why have two methods for searching ERIC? ERIC/FirstSearch seamlessly attaches full text journal articles from other FirstSearch databases to your ERIC results—click on the full text, print, and go. Eric/Ovid provides the option to save your search, which will automatically search the database periodically for new citations which will be emailed directly to you. For further information on searching ERIC, plan to attend one of the classes being offered this fall on ERIC and other Education Resources. These classes are offered on Monday, September 25th from 4 to 5 p.m. and Thursday, October 12th from 1 to 2 p.m. in the Technology Training Facility on the ground floor of McAfee. Call the administrative office at 581-6061 to sign up, or contact Ann Brownson, Education subject librarian at 581-6072, for individual or class instruction.

Booth Library Welcomes Two New Faculty Members

Jocelyn Tipton joined Booth Library in June as Eastern's government documents librarian. She also will work in the reference department, offer bibliographic instruction, and provide collection development for psychology and political science. Prior to coming to EIU, she served as the Data and Electronic Services Librarian in the Social Science Libraries at Yale University since 1994. She has participated in national and international data organizations including the Association of Public Data Users and International Association for Social Science Information Services and Technology (IASSIST). She is particularly interested in statistical literacy and data training for librarians and has presented several workshops on these topics. She received her MLS from the University of Maryland.

Steve McCann joined Booth Library's Media Services Department in July. He is a member of the Consortium of College & University Media Centers. Before coming to Booth, he worked at Martinsville School District where he was the District Technology Coordinator and taught calculus, trigonometry, and algebra. He assisted faculty in integrating technology into the curriculum, developed web pages, recommended and offered troubleshooting for computer hardware

Renovation Continues on Schedule



A worker (hidden behind the steps) uses a torch to disassemble a stairwell from Booth Library's old stacks area. Demolition work will soon be completed. Outside the original building, construction of the south addition is underway.

Workers continue the renovation of Booth Library removing interior walls and other structures and preparing the foundation for the 13,000 square foot addition on the south end. A new entry foyer will be an impressive feature of the south addition; its design is modeled on that of the historic north entryway. In preparation for the addition, large sections of the exterior south wall have been demolished.

Work on the \$21 million renovation is progressing as planned and is perhaps slightly ahead of schedule. This figure includes \$4 million for new furnishings and equipment from an allocation that was recently approved by state authorities.

The project, which began with the move to temporary locations in the spring of 1999, has passed the halfway point. Plans call for renovations to be complete in late 2001, with final occupancy of the new facility by January 2002.

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and software, and was the network administrator. He has served the Charleston community for 10 years by playing the piano for various area churches. He received a Masters in Curriculum and Instruction with an emphasis on computer-based instruction from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale.