

News from Newfoundland

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Memorial University Libraries APLA Update:

Collections

- Drawing on consultation with faculty, instructors, students, and university administration, as well as library expertise, Memorial University Libraries is continuing its cost containment efforts by cancelling “big deal” journal packages and re-purchasing individual titles. We finalized a list of journal subscriptions from the Taylor and Francis journal package for 2017. Interested in knowing more? Visit [here](#).

Other Cool Stuff

- Library Assistants David Mercer and Ann Sanger received 2016 President’s Awards. David for exceptional community services and Ann for exemplary service.
- The Commons, a partnership between Memorial University Libraries, the Centre for Innovation in Teaching and Learning and Information Technology Services, opened the Teachers’ Legacy Rotunda (TLR). This new state-of-the art extension of the QEII Library Commons also includes a late-night Commons in the basement of one of the student residences.
- Grenfell Campus Library now has new Google Cardboard 3D virtual reality viewers that lets patrons experience virtual reality on their smartphones! Google Cardboard lets users experience 360 degree and 3D virtual environments by downloading apps onto their smartphone and placing the phone inside the cardboard viewer. When you turn your head or move up and down, the image turns and moves up and down with you, simulating the experience of virtual reality.
- The QEII Commons is planning for mobile Maker Spaces which will see 3D printers on mobile carts available for classes or workshops. This service will be available starting in the Winter 2017 semester.

Publishing

- Memorial Libraries published three new works: [The Finest Room in the Colony: The Library of John Thomas Mullock](#), [The University Business Primer](#), 2nd Edition and [A Grand Tour: A Catalogue of Eighteenth-Century Print Works](#).