

THE LIBRARY SCOOP

Library Hours—Middletown

Monday - Friday 8 am—9 pm
Saturday 9 am—3 pm

Circulation: 845-341-4855

Reference: 845-341-4260

Library Hours—Newburgh

Monday 9 am—8 pm
Tuesday 9 am—8 pm
Wednesday 9 am—8 pm
Thursday 9 am—8 pm
Friday 9 am—5 pm

Circulation: 845-341-9020

Reference: 845-341-9049

TEXT 845-262-2542

The library staff is committed to providing helpful and friendly service. If you can't find a book, are having trouble formatting your paper, are wondering what books you checked out please direct your questions to anyone at the front desk of either library.

Need a scanner?

Both OCCC libraries now feature scanners to make electronic copies of books, articles or images.

In Newburgh the scanner is on the reference desk.

In Middletown the scanners are to the left as you enter the information commons.

Ask the library staff to explain the features.

Top Five Myths About Using the Internet to Do Research

1. The Internet has everything.
Everything is indeed on the Internet, the good and **especially** the unreliable. You must exclude the bad when you are doing research.
2. Everything on the Internet is free.
Well it has lots of things, but some of the best information is only available through pay walls and subscriptions.
3. It is faster to search the Internet.
Going to Google is easy but it will take you more time to sift through unreliable information. The library's databases are full of reliable information.
4. Google is easier to access than the library databases.
The library's databases are very accessible on campus through the library's home page. At home, database access only requires a simple login.
5. Google Scholar has research articles.
You can find articles with Google Scholar but you may not be able to access the article without paying the publisher for access to it.

Top Reasons to Come to the Library For Your Research

1. Library databases are more reliable than Google searches
Is what you found on the Internet reliable? Material in the library's databases are created by professional writers and edited. All that is left for you is to figure out how to use it in your paper.
2. Library's electronic resources are available on or off campus
Google is always there and so are the Library's databases. If you are off campus you just need to log in.
3. Databases have organization tools so you don't have to re-find an article
Send all your research to your email to have whenever you need it.
4. Generate citations for your bibliography
Most databases have tools that help you create your works cited page. Very few Internet articles have the MLA or APA citations ready for you to copy and paste.
5. The library is full of helpful library staff and librarians
The librarians have already researched the topic you may be researching. They will likely know the best tool to get just what you need.
6. You'll save time by using the library's resources
Spend less time figuring out if your source is reliable and more time connecting with the content so your project makes sense.

**Always save your documents early and often!
Even if you only want to print them.**

Coming Soon: Changes To the Library's Web Site

Starting in June 2014 the library will be accessible through the new SUNY Orange Portal. The Library Tab in the portal will connect you to a new Library page that will have links to all your research tools. This does not change any of the content, only the way you get to it.

You will be able to search or ask for help in the "portalized" library. For the usual library experience the library's page will remain.

New Ebsco Search Tool

The library will be announcing a new search tool that searches all the library's resources at once. In the results list you will see all the library has to offer both physical and electronic. This tool will be available in the summer session.

Ask a librarian for a tour of our new tools!

Borrow a Netbook or Laptop

Both Middletown and Newburgh libraries have portable computers available for SUNY Orange students, faculty and staff to borrow.

The computers are to be used in the library and have wireless Internet connection.



They are available at the desk with your valid SUNY Orange ID. Check out one today.

"Snow way the library is open!"

By Andy Heiz, Librarian

Yes it is! Did those snow days frustrate your research plans this past Winter (and Spring?)? You can access the library's electronic resources even during Spring Recess (March 23 to March 30) from anywhere off campus. Use any desktop or mobile device, phone, tablet or laptop.

The easiest way to do research for your assignments is to use the library's electronic resources. This way you will be much more sure that what you find is reliable and you'll have that much less work to do for your projects. The library's electronic resources are available 24/7, even when the library is closed. You connect to the resource you wish to use through the library's website. When you are off campus your browser will be directed to a log in page where you will need to enter your

A-number and password you use for MYSUNY Orange or Banner.

When the library is closed you can go to the library's research guides to get help with searching. The guides have recommendations for databases for a class. There are search suggestions from librarians so you can find useful articles.

When you are off campus you can call or text a librarian for

Remote Access to Library Resources

As of September 23 log in to the remote access system with your A Number and Single Sign On password. The password you set up to log in is no longer valid. Report any problems you have logging in to the library 341-4855.

SUNY Orange Library electronic resources are available only to the current students, faculty, and staff because of licensing agreements. **Off-campus users must be authenticated to use these subscription-based resources.**

All currently enrolled Orange County Community College students, faculty and staff can access the library's online resources from off-campus via any Internet Service Provider. Please use your **MYSUNYOrange** username and password in order to log in.

Students: Your logon name is the A number and password, the same thing you use to access Angel, your college Gmail or MYSUNYOrange. Your A number can be found on your schedule or college issued ID card.

Faculty and Staff: Use firstnamelastname as the log in and the password you use to access the college's Gmail or Angel.

Please visit this [FAQ page](#) (link opens in new window/tab) if you don't know what your username and password are or if you have trouble logging in.

When accessing our databases, **this login process is necessary only once per browser session.** After searching the selected database, you may return to the list of databases on the [library's home page](#) and make another selection. It should not be necessary to log in a second time to access the database.

Username: Your a-number and password go here.

Password:

SUNY Orange database remote access login page.

help when the library is open. If the library is closed text your questions to get a response when the library opens again.

Scanner Arrives in Newburgh

Scan documents or images from books, magazines, or newspapers to your thumb drive or email. There is a touch screen to walk you through the steps of the process. The scanners work better than copiers because you can capture images from the library's reference books to use in class presentations. Also when you want to use a large portion text from a book you can use the scanner to make an electronic document that you can copy and paste. The scanner has optical character recognition so you can scan a Word document so you can edit it in a word processor on the computer.

The scanner in Newburgh is located on the reference desk. There are detailed instructions or you can ask the library staff to help you.

Text your questions to a librarian 845-462-2541