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From the Computer Labs

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Extend Your Westlaw and Lexis-Nexis Password for Summer Access

UGA law students may apply for a Westlaw and Lexis-Nexis password summer extension, if you are:



- Enrolled in Summer Classes
- Law Review or Journal Staff
- Working on Project(s) for a Professor
- Moot Court team member



Using your Westlaw or Lexis-Nexis student password to provide research for entities such as law firms, government organizations, corporations, internships, externships, public interest, pro bono is NOT an educational purpose and is strictly prohibited. Personal use, practice and preparation for the bar exam are not educational purposes and are not valid reasons for extending your password.

You may extend your Westlaw password by completing the online form at: <http://lawschool.westlaw.com/>.

You may extend your Lexis-Nexis id by completing the online form at: <http://lawschool.lexis.com/offers/summer/index.html>

Westlaw and Lexis-Nexis passwords will be activated within three business days following your approved request. Non-graduating law students who do not meet the requirements for summer password extension will still have access to job search databases and KeyCite on Westlaw during the summer months.

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Free Access to Westlaw, Lexis-Nexis, and Career Placement Tools after Graduation

Law School graduates have access to Westlaw job search databases for one year after graduation.

During May, June, July and August of 1999, the Lexis-Nexis MVP Program for Graduates provides you with free access to:

- Your selected state's case law library
- Shepard's for your selected state
- The Lexis-Nexis Career Library

Lexis-Nexis wants you to have all the tools you need to prepare for your bar exam. If you're still interviewing, you will be able to use all of the resources in our

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Career Library to continue your job search. This special graduation gift offer is available only to law students who graduate law school in May or June of 1999.

For more information on Lexis-Nexis after graduation and the opportunity to obtain a free Martindale Hubbell CD-ROM, a free NALP CD-ROM or three free months of EmplawyerNet, visit the following web page:

<http://lawschool.lexis.com/offers/summer/3L/index.html>

Lexis-Nexis and Westlaw Withdrawal Symptoms?

Does your summer workplace lack access to Lexis-Nexis or Westlaw? Are you already having anxiety about doing research without “online” search tools? Consider accessing some of the new Internet competitors to Lexis-Nexis and Westlaw. Two alternatives that you might consider at VersusLaw and LOIS.

VersusLaw - <http://www.versuslaw.com/>

VersusLaw covers state and federal appellate court opinions for all 50 states and the District of Columbia, the federal courts of appeals for all circuits including the D.C. Circuit and the Federal Circuit, and the United States Supreme Court. The databases cover only court decisions; there is no coverage of statutes, administrative codes, court rules, jury instructions, attorney general opinions, or other material. How much will it cost? The good news is that as a law student it is absolutely free! Visit the VersusLaw web page for more details.

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LOIS - <http://www.pita.com/>

LOIS covers 32 state and federal jurisdictions and is actively adding new databases every month. For a number of the other 18 states, the coverage is started but not yet comprehensive. State libraries include case law, statutes, administrative codes, court rules, jury instructions, attorney general opinions, and other materials. The UGA Law Library has a subscription to LOIS that may be used for research at the UGA Law Library. Ask at the Reference Desk for login assistance. If you'd like your own LOIS password, visit the LOIS web page for subscription details.

Law Library Welcomes Arvell Poe and Jason Pancake

The Law Library recently welcomed two new staff members. **Jason Pancake** (“J.P.”) is the new Network Services Specialist III, replacing Kevin Myers in the Law School’s Computing Services Department. He hails from Stone Mountain, Georgia and came to UGA to major in Computer Science. Before coming to work for UGA, J.P. worked in network support at Computerland. For fun, he likes to work out, take his dog to the intramural fields, “goof around” on computers, and take weekend trips to the beach or the mountains. **Arvell Poe** (“DJ MASTRMYND”) replaces Amanda Tonge as Cataloging Assistant. Although born in Arkansas, Arvell calls Stone Mountain home. He graduated from UGA this past December with a B.A. in English and a minor in African-American Studies. A former WUOG 90.5 DJ, *Red and Black* columnist, and actor with UGA’s Black Theatrical ensemble, Arvell plans on making it to both the small and the silver screens. Listen for him on Athens own radio station, WBKZ at 880 AM. In addition to his obvious love of music, Arvell likes sweet potato pie, peach Nehi sodas, Kroger brand cheetos, deejaying parties, and watching television. He dislikes brussel sprouts (“I’ve never had ‘em, but they just look disgusting”). Look for both Jason and Arvell in their offices in the Annex.

Language, Literature and Legal Sources Galore: Right in Your UGA Internet Pocket

JoEllen Childers, Network Services Specialist II



GALILEO is the online library for the State of Georgia available to you from any internet connection (www.galileo.peachnet.edu). Summertime access is ensured for all UGA students enrolled spring semester.¹ The numerous outstanding database resources include the Index to Legal Periodicals and Books, as well as Lexis-Nexis' Academic Universe.

Take the following quiz. The purpose is to call to your attention the remarkable resources of GALILEO. Match questions in left column with GALILEO resources on right.

Can you answer the questions below?

*Search² for authoritative, in-depth answers
in GALILEO databases³*

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| 1. When and where will the ABA annual meeting be held this year? | a. Oxford Dictionary (full text, illustrating evolution of English language) |
| 2. Automorphic means? | b. The Bible in English |
| 3. Where to find full text of Langston Hughes' famous poem that begins . . .
I've known rivers: I've known rivers
ancient as the world and older than the
flow of human blood in human veins. | c. Poetry (full text selections)
African-American Poetry: 1760-1900
American Poetry: 1600-1997
English Poetry: 600-1900 |
| 4. What books have been published on the subject of using the internet to overcome barriers to justice? | d. MLA Bibliography (index of Modern Language Assoc.; superior writing on a wide range of topics found here) |
| 5. Where can I find articles on the topic of law as literature? (And how can I write that way!!) | e. Books in Print (over 1.8 million records; includes forthcoming books; monthly updates) |
| 6. Your mother is ready to read Tom Wolfe but what's the best title in print for her? | f. EventsLine (past and upcoming events; multidisciplinary and multinational) |
| 7. Where to find full text(s) of "In the beginning God created Heaven and Earth?" | g. WorldCat (books owned by libraries worldwide; a searchable library catalog for English language publications) |

Footnotes:

1. For instructions on obtaining UGA GALILEO password for current, see "Off-Campus Galileo Access" at bottom of center column on UGA Law Library web page, www.lawsch.uga.edu/lawlib/index.html
2. All GALILEO searches utilize the same search procedures and screens for almost every database.
3. GALILEO is an online library for the citizens of Georgia which has been supplemented by UGA subscription to a number of proprietary databases appropriate to higher education. For a complete list of databases, see www.galileo.peachnet.edu.

Quiz matching answers: 1-f, 2-a, 3-c, 4-g, 5-d, 6-e, 7-b

Library Hours

April 15 - May 9 Regular Opening Hours Closing Hours will be 1:00 a.m.
May 10 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Interim Period: May 11 - 25, 1999

Tuesday - Friday, May 11 - 14 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 15 (GRADUATION) 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 16 CLOSED

Monday - Friday, May 17 - 21 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 22 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 23 CLOSED

Summer School: May 24 - June 30, 1999

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

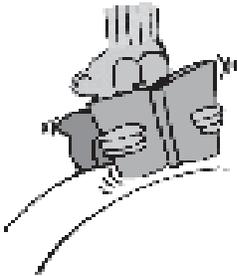
Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 1:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Summer Time Reading!

Now that you might have a little time for some “optional” reading, the Law Library Staff is pleased to provide you with the following personal recommendations. These items run the gamut from murder mystery to war crimes, so there is something for everyone!



Sally Curtis AsKew: 1) *Praying for Sheetrock* by Melissa Fay Greene (nonfiction), and 2) Nora Roberts “McGregor” series (fiction, “light reading”); **Keith Baitzell:** *Extra Life* by David S. Bennahan; **Alexandra Bernet:** 1) *The Wonder Boys*, and 2) *Mysteries of Pittsburgh*, both by Michael Chabon; **Anne Burnett:** 1) *The Mightiest Heart* by Lynn Cullen (children’s book), and 2) *The Solace of Open Spaces* by Gretel Ehrlich; **Joan Logan:** 1) *Airframe* by Michael Crichton, and 2) *An Act of Betrayal* by Edna Buchanan; **Wendy Moore:** 1) *We Wish to Inform You That Tomorrow We Will be Killed With Our Families: Stories from Rwanda* by Philip Gourevitch, and 2) *Master and Margarita* by Mikhail Bulgakov; **Fran Norton:** 1) *The Thin Red Line* by James Jones, and 2) *Guadalcanal Diary* by Richard Tregaskis; **Arvell Poe:** *Good Omens* by Neil Gaiman; **Prof. Puckett:** *The Awakening* by Kate Chopin (and any of her short stories); **Jeff Satterfield:** 1) *Eclipse of the Sun* by Michael O’Brien, and 2) *Windswept House* by Malachi Martin; **Ann Smith:** 1) *Letters from a Nut* by Ted L. Nancy, and 2) *Letters of a Nation* by Andrew Carroll; **Carol Watson:** *A Man in Full* by Tom Wolfe.

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