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Need to locate information fast? Try out our new Library Catalog and explore the easy to use tools available to help you refine your search and provide you with more relevant results. This semester we are transitioning to our new catalog and circulation system (Sierra/Encore). Improving the research experience for patrons is one of the main strengths of the new system and the user-friendly Encore system allows you the ability to quickly conduct a search and narrow your results by format, date, place, topic and location within the library. The end results are a comprehensive search of our entire collection using an easy to navigate interface featuring relevancy ranking of results and facets that help refine the search more precisely.

Highlights of new features in Encore

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| Spelling Correction| When you misspell a search term in our new catalog, you will now be prompted with a Google-like message asking “Did You Mean...?”  
(Example)                                                     |
| Recently Added     | What’s new? Each search displays “recently added” items of our collection within your search results  
(Example)                                                     |
| RefWorks           | Users can now send a record of the item to directly into your RefWorks account  
(Example)                                                     |
| Sort Results       | Now you have the option to sort your results by relevance, title or date  
(Example)                                                     |
| Renew Options      | Sort your checked out items by due date to renew, or renew by selected items or select all.  
(Example)                                                     |
| My List            | Add items to “My List” folder and you can now email the list or export it to RefWorks  
(Example)                                                     |

Look for announcements of additional new catalog services and features as they are implemented in the coming weeks! If you have any questions or comments about the new catalog please contact the information desk at 202-994-2850 and ask us if you need help locating...
materials.