

# Bowdoin



## The Bowdoin College Library Newsletter May 2017

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### CBB New Books and Media Search Tool

The Library is pleased to announce the launch of the CBB New Books and Media search tool, accessible from the [library web site](#) and from within [CBBcat](#). Use the tool to generate a list of materials recently acquired by Colby, Bates, and Bowdoin libraries.

- Search by format for books, e-books, DVDs, audio books, CDs, scores, and government documents.
- Search on a particular subject area (books, e-books, DVDs only).
- Limit results by language and library location (Colby, Bates, or Bowdoin).
- Choose a time frame: most recent 7, 30, or 90 days.
- View results as a web page (full-featured or printer-friendly), or send in an email.

The CBB libraries continue to consider ways to enhance access to our shared library collection and we hope you will take advantage of the New Books and Media search tool to keep up to date with new acquisitions. Questions or feedback? Contact [Karl Fattig](#) or your [Librarian Liaison](#).

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### Blackboard Review

Join Academic Technology staff and members of the Blackboard Review Team to share your perspective on Blackboard at an upcoming open forum, as the College begins a review of the current landscape of course management systems: **Thursday, May 18th, 11am-noon** or **Tuesday, May 23rd, 2-3pm**, in H-L Library's Nixon Lounge.



Blackboard

These conversations will set the stage for an investigation of updated tools and features now available in Blackboard, which has served as Bowdoin's course management system since 2005, and an assessment of alternative systems that support teaching and learning in new ways. If you are unable to attend one of the forums, please consider sharing your thoughts through a brief [survey](#).

Questions? Contact Jennifer Snow, Academic Technology & Consulting, [jsnow@bowdoin.edu](mailto:jsnow@bowdoin.edu) | 207-725-3707

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## Retirement of NExpress

On Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> we bid farewell to the NExpress Resource Sharing service. Over the past several years, due to changes in individual library systems, the number of NExpress participants has dwindled. This spring CBB and our two remaining partners, Middlebury and Wellesley, jointly decided to retire the service. CBB and MaineCat self-requesting are unchanged and Bowdoin will continue to enjoy expedited borrowing from Middlebury and Wellesley with requests submitted through ILL. This streamlined approach to accessing materials beyond Maine libraries provides additional benefits for users. [Read more »](#)



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## New Spaces in H-L Library will Support Collaborative Research

Two renovation projects are planned for the 1st floor of Hawthorne-Longfellow Library this summer that will both enhance student space and improve access to staff. The study area adjacent to the suite of librarian offices on the south side of the floor will be enlarged to create a Research Commons. This re-envisioned space will support active learning and collaborative work among students and between students and Librarian Liaisons. At the same time, staff from [Academic Technology & Consulting \(AT&C\)](#) will move to the space currently occupied by the Library's Technical Services Department, on the north side of the floor. The move will provide AT&C with a more visible location on campus and support the department's efforts to engage actively with faculty and students. [Read more »](#)



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## Howard Papers Digitization Complete

The three-year, grant-funded Howard Papers Digitization Project is now complete. The nineteenth-century manuscript collections of Civil War General Oliver Otis Howard and his brothers, Charles and Rowland, are now [available online](#) in their entirety. Over the course of the project, 26 student employees scanned nearly 180,000 images. Indexes of O.O. Howard's correspondence are also now available online and include links to the digitized version of each letter. This project was generously funded by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission and the Morton-Kelly Charitable Trust. [Read more »](#)



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## Celebrating Original Student Research

Librarians work closely with students throughout the year, supporting both their coursework and research, including providing in-depth assistance with honors projects. Among the over 100 seniors who wrote honors projects this year are William Doak and Adam Glynn. Humanities and Media Librarian Carmen Greenlee shares the work of these two students in the department of Romance Languages and Literatures. [Read more »](#)



Will Doak



Adam Glynn