FROM THE DEAN’S DESK: FALL COURSE ON COLOR

Fundamentals of Color (Creative Arts Practicum, HUM1010-06) is a new course coming this fall. The visual language of color and color applications in every discipline will be introduced. Students will review the physical, perceptual, and artistic theories of color and explore practical applications through a series of in-class activities. Students will meet on Mondays at 2PM and enrollment for this one-credit course is capped at 7 students.

“Art is the imposing of a pattern on experience, and our aesthetic enjoyment is recognition of the pattern.”

- Alfred North Whitehead, Dialogues (1954)

FY09 – YEAR ON REVIEW

by Wendy Helmstetter, Director of Resources and Services

Once again, as Evans Library concludes a very productive FY09, we would like to report a few facts and figures about our resources and activities over the past year. The A-Z Journal List now contains 4,997 new unique journal titles, increasing the total number of journal titles to 32,414. FY09 additions to the print and electronic book collections number 18,698, while the number of electronic government publications in our collection grew by 13,822. Over 1,000,000 full-text electronic dissertations and theses were added to the collections via ProQuest Dissertation and Theses Full Text database. Library material check-outs numbered 37,317, and an additional 5,122 documents were delivered to the Florida Tech community via interlibrary loan and commercial document delivery. Usage reports for licensed databases indicated: 730,425 sessions; 853,628 unique searches; and 944,827 full text article retrievals. The Library’s Web site registered 13,945,240 total hits. Searches through the A-Z Journal List number 81,131 with an additional 36,872 searches conducted through the 360 federated search system. On-site library users for FY09 numbered 261,837 and 3,279 individuals took advantage of the Library’s extended hours during final exams. Instructional sessions provided numbered 307, for 5,039 attendees. Librarians cataloged 26,509 Internet titles, and implemented the following licensed databases and service technologies: Ebsco Academic Search Complete, Ebsco Business Source Complete, Ebsco SocINDEX with Full Text, ProQuest Electronic Dissertations and Theses, Full Text, Web of Knowledge, APA PsycBOOKS, Annual Reviews Online, RefWorks Citation Management Service, and OCLC Question-Point Online Chat Reference Service. In many other ways too numerous to mention here, the Library’s resources and services continue to increase in size and quality.

SUMMER 2009 GRADUATE RESEARCH WORKSHOP

The registration deadline for the Summer 2009 graduate research workshop is Monday, June 15. The half-day event will be held on Friday, June 19, from 1:00 – 4:30. More information can be found on the LINK under Library News or directly at www.lib.fit.edu/pubs/workshops.