LIBRARY DISPLAYS

*Edmund Skellings, Poet of Technology* continues to feature inspiring memorabilia of Dr. Edmund Skellings' accomplishments. New to the library website is this exhibit’s online counterpart at http://lib.fit.edu/library-displays/201202.php.

A Web version of the College of Engineering Research Showcase can also be found online at http://lib.fit.edu/library-displays/201110.php. This popular first-floor exhibit highlights the college’s signature research areas: Intelligent Systems, Sustainability of the Environment, Assured Information and Cyber Security, Communication Systems and Signal Processing, New Space Systems and Commercialization of Space.

BEYOND WORDS!

Do you need more sources? Looking to expand your works cited page? Are the library databases not returning quite the type of results you want?

In our pursuit to graduate from a private research university, I think we’ve all found that the research part becomes increasingly important as we go along. I used to struggle to find Internet sources of good quality and repute, but not anymore. I found Scirus! This fantastic scientific search engine is the perfect tool for students. It pulls from over 152 million .edu sites, 43 million .org sites, and over 138 million STEM and university sources to provide scholarly journals, articles, books, and websites! It is perfectly geared toward our research institution and as easy to navigate as Google. I’ve personally used Scirus to find resources for two reports and one project so far. I haven’t been let down yet. It’s bookmarked and ready for my next assignment. Scirus is a top-notch search engine that I recommend you try for your next paper or project. You won’t be disappointed!

NEW CATALOG

by Mary Barker, Systems Librarian

The Evans Library has launched a new catalog! It now provides a more modern look and feel to searching for the library’s books, government publications, periodical titles, and multimedia materials. The classic catalog is still available, but using the new catalog interface will make locating your research materials easier. Some of the new features are:

- easy-to-use facets to narrow your search by subject, genre, format, location, and much more
- Web 2.0 options like book covers, Google Books previews, “more like this” suggestions, and the ability to text results
- TRACKS logon only needed to manage your account, save results, build lists of favorites, and add tags
- much easier exporting to RefWorks.

FROM THE DEAN’S DESK: INTERNATIONAL SPACE UNIVERSITY

This summer’s International Space University brings with it awesome opportunities for all of us who are part of the Florida Tech community. In previous months, I have highlighted the July 6th TEDx and the July 11th Astronaut Panel. Be sure to visit ISU’s website at http://sun.isunet.edu/programs/space-studies/ for details about other fascinating events. See you there!