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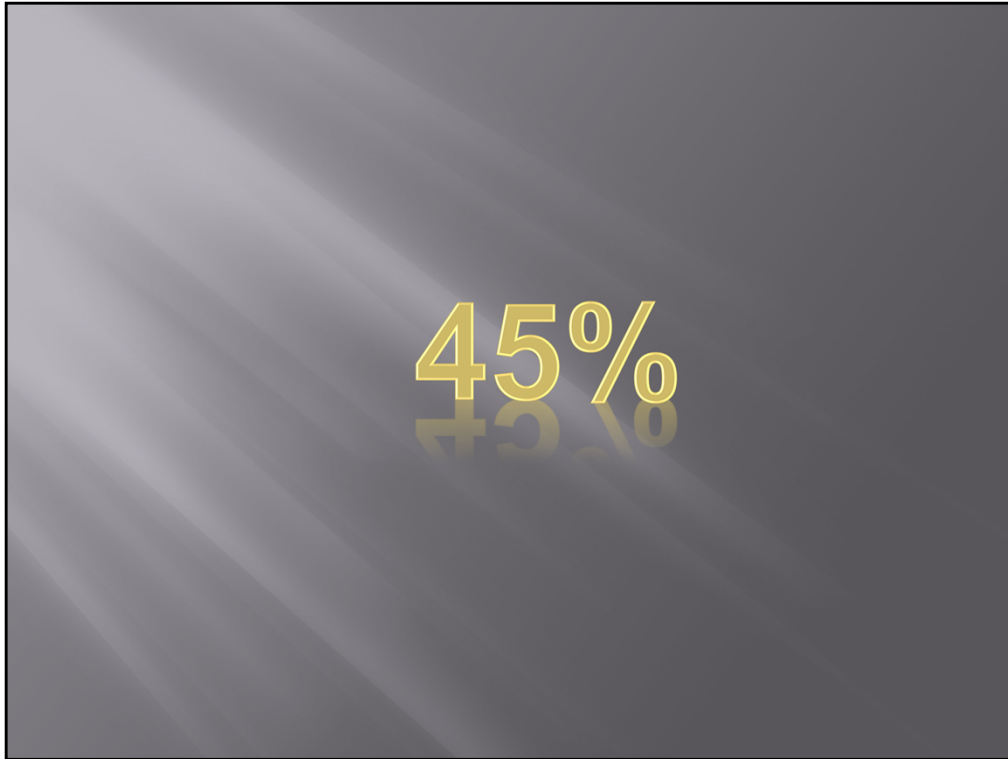
LIBRARY PALOOZA

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WHAT **PERCENTAGE** OF
BILLABLE TIME DO NEW
ASSOCIATES SPEND ON
LEGAL RESEARCH?



Patrick Meyer, *Law Firm Legal Research Requirements for New Attorneys*, 101 L. Libr. J. 297 (2009) (citing a statistic from a 2007 study by Thomsonreuters).

How Does the Library Support Our Law School Mission?

The Law School's two main goals are:

1. Job Placement, and
2. Bar passage

Legal Research LANDs a Job



How the Law Library Supports The Goal of Job Placement:

- Since new associates spend most of their time doing legal research, legal research is the most important skill law students must master in order to obtain and keep their first job after law school.
- Reference services and our advanced legal research courses teach students how to conduct legal research.
 - Our courses and reference skills supplement/reinforce what students learn in their First Year LR&Wr courses to better understand and retain research skills.
- What are students doing in internships, externships, and part-time jobs? Legal research.
 - Where do students go when they need help with their research? The law librarians.
 - We help them to succeed in internships, externships, and part-time jobs; employers see that they can do the work and then offer them a job.
- We help students show their smarts in interviews:
 - We encourage them to, and show them how to, set up research alerts on future employers and their subjects of interest so that they can have interesting things to say in their interviews.
 - We help them research in advance of their interviews about their potential employers.

Bar Passage



How the Law Library Supports the Goal of Bar Passage:

- Provide bar study aids and study materials (behind circulation desk).
- Provide quiet study space for independent bar study (reading room, plaza level, basement).
- Provide group study rooms for collaborative bar study.
- Provide a gathering space and social community for students to commiserate about bar study (law library lobby/circulation desk/law librarians).
- Provide emotional support and encouragement for bar study, both formally (bar mentoring, meetings in librarian offices) and informally (talking to students at the reference desk and in the law library lobby).
- Provide a safe space that is their “home,” which creates a necessary sense of security for the process of bar preparation; no other space on campus provides this.

How Can We Help You?

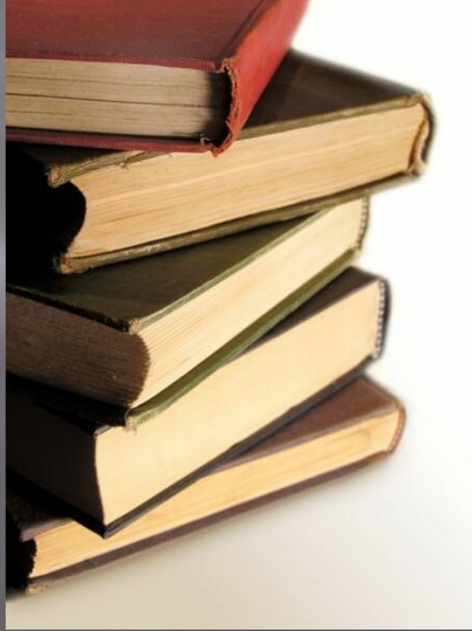


Faculty Services

Here are some ways we can help you:

- Reference assistance
- Guest spots in your course/seminar about legal research for your topic
- Training Research Assistants
- Inter-Library Loans
- Suggest a book for the library to order

Collection Development



Collection Development (Janet Fischer)

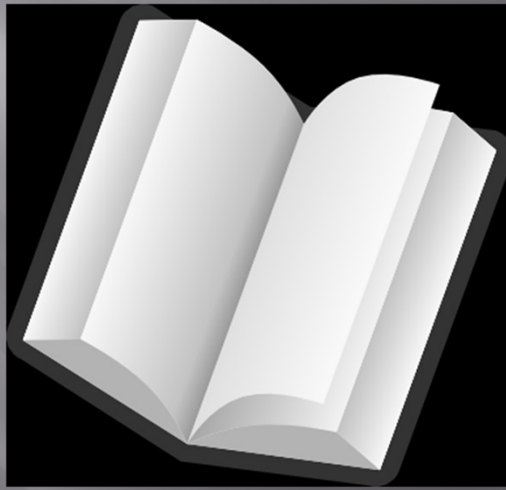
- Evaluate new titles available in print and digital formats.
- Purchase new titles and datasets in print and digital formats.
- Weed unused materials, both in print and online.

Collection Development focuses on practice materials, California practice materials, finding aids, study aids, past exams for study, current awareness/hot topics, and materials that support the LLM programs and clinical programs.

How does this fulfill the mission of the law school?

Provides students, faculty and scholars with professional/scholarly information, forms and practice guides necessary to perform their work or study for exams and the bar exam.

New book?



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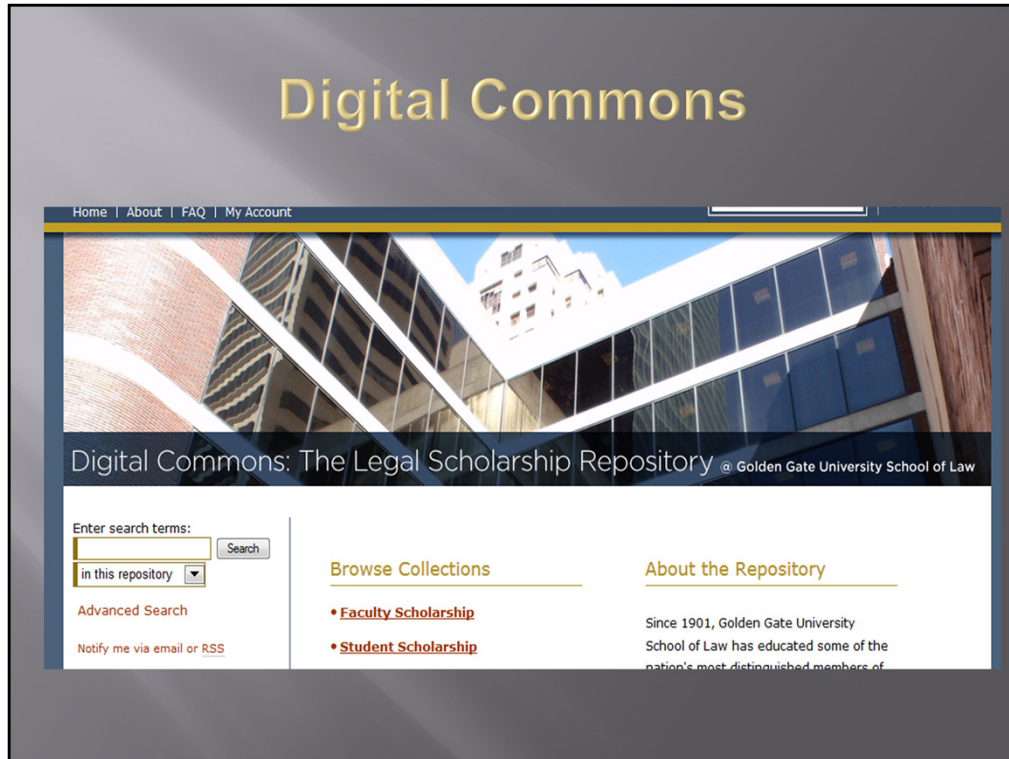
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Passwords



Jodi Collova manages the Westlaw/Lexis/Bloomberg passwords. We can also help with TWEN assistance.

Research Guides

The screenshot displays the GGU Law LibGuides website. At the top, the GGU Law logo is on the left, and a navigation menu includes links for ABOUT, ADMISSIONS, ACADEMICS, CLINICS & CENTERS, FACULTY, LAW LIBRARY, STUDENT SERVICES, CAREER SERVICES, and ALUMNI. Below the logo, the breadcrumb trail reads 'Library > LibGuides > US Supreme Court Research'. The main heading is 'US Supreme Court Research' with a status of 'Published' and a last update of 'Jan 15, 2013'. A search bar is located on the right. The page is divided into three main sections: 'About this Guide' on the left, 'The Supreme Court Building' in the center, and 'Reference & Electronic Services Librarian and Adjunct Professor' on the right. The 'About this Guide' section explains that the guide was created for GGU law students enrolled in Professor Christianson's 1L elective course, Lawyering: US Supreme Court Litigation, and provides contact information for Jodi Collova. The 'The Supreme Court Building' section features a video player titled 'CNN: Inside the Supreme Court' showing a tour of the building. The right sidebar includes a profile for Jodi Collova, her contact information (415-442-6663), and links to her profile and guides.

Our research guides are called LibGuides. You can request a LibGuide on a topic for a course/seminar (e.g. Eric Christianson's US Supreme Court Litigation Seminar). They are available on our website: <http://lawlibrary.ggu.libguides.com/>

Finding Articles



(See separate handout on Faculty Scholarship resources.)

Let us know how we can help!