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NEW IUCAT COMING SOON!!

Preparation is continuing for the new Web-based IUCAT, expected to go live at the beginning of the Spring 2001 semester. Library staff across IU are working together to implement the SIRSI Unicorn Academe system.

The new World Wide Web-based catalog will provide you:

- A fully integrated system that allows you to move easily between IUCAT and resources on the Web
- Continued ability to search the entire IU library system as well as narrowing a search to the Kokomo collection with a click of the mouse
- Links from catalog records to electronic journals and indexes to which IUK subscribes

To prepare for this migration of more than 5.5 million records from one data management system to another, there will be some temporary limitations in service between October 2000 and January 2001. The technical functions of the current catalog have been halted but public searching has NOT BEEN AFFECTED.

CIRCULATION

Circulation will be unaffected through December 15, 2000. **No** library items will be checked out between December 15, 2000 and the implementation of the new catalog in January. Plan ahead for Christmas break reading! Special loans will not be allowed between October 20, 2000 through January 2001. Special loans require an item record to be created in the card catalog, a function we are unable to do during this catalog moratorium.

ORDERS FOR LIBRARY MATERIALS

No orders will be placed for library materials between October 20, 2000 through January 17, 2001. Orders that are sent to the library during this period will be held for purchase consideration in late January. New order procedures have been developed and shared with all department chairs. For further information on how your specific department is handling library orders consult with your department chair.

NO NEW MATERIALS ADDED TO COLLECTION

As of October 20, 2000, no new materials will be cataloged and added to the library collection. Materials will once again be added to the collection when the new catalog becomes available in January 2001. The latest journal issues received will be indicated in the current card catalog through December 1, 2000. After December 1, 2000 new journals will be placed on the current periodical shelves for use but their receipt WILL NOT be reflected in the card catalog.

BOOK/JOURNAL DONATIONS

The library has stopped accepting book and journal donations between October 20, 2000 and January 17, 2001. **HOLD THOSE DONATIONS!** This is necessary due to a moratorium on adding any new items to the existing card catalog. Library staff have been locked out of all acquisition and cataloging functions until the new card catalog is complete.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN

Interlibrary loan will be suspended between November 18, 2000 through the new catalog implementation in early January 2001. Any interlibrary loan materials checked out after November 8, 2000 will be due on December 8, 2000 **regardless** of the checkout date. Please make requests prior to November 18 if you anticipate needing interlibrary loan materials. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

RESERVES

Because reserve materials may not be processed until the new catalog/circulation system is functional, reserve materials might not be available until the second or third week of the spring semester. You may deliver your reserve materials to Garry Hancock before Christmas break. However, due to the conversion there is **NO GUARANTEE** the materials will be available early in the semester. **PLEASE PREPARE FOR THIS CONTINGENCY.**

LIBRARY INSTRUCTION

Make plans to bring your classes for instruction and training in the use of the new and improved catalog. Call Gail MacKay at 455-9249 (x249) to schedule your class for spring 2001. Remember! No student or faculty member will have ever used the new Web-based catalog.

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