

Resources and Services Provided By the B.D. Owens Library to Support the College of Education

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Northwest Missouri State University houses two libraries, B.D. Owens Library and Horace Mann Library. B.D. Owens library serves as the main university library and Horace Mann Library serves the elementary lab school located in Brown Hall.

Horace Mann Library

At Northwest Missouri State University, our professional education pre-service teachers receive exposure to tangible classroom and student interaction within their first trimester of teacher education courses through the Horace Mann Laboratory School. To aid future educators as they implement best practices to students, Horace Mann houses an all-encompassing elementary school library. All students, faculty, and staff who have a Northwest Bearcat card may check out books from the Horace Mann Library. Whether professional education students are looking for non-fiction books to assist fourth graders with their research topics or searching for a treasured children's book, the Horace Mann library offers a wide scope of material for elementary school children to support undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in the professional education program.

In addition to print materials, the lab school library subscribes to TumbleBook Library. This ebook package is designed specifically for young children and includes animated and talking picture books to foster reading skills.

http://www.tumblebooks.com/library/asp/customer_login.asp

B.D. Owens Library

The B. D. Owens Library mission is to offer customizable collaboration spaces, premium scholarly information resources, and personalized academic services to engage student academic exploration and personal enrichment. As an academic support service department, the library provides opportunities for students, faculty, and staff to obtain the core values of collaborative work, access to active learning tools and resources, which promote critical thinking, as well as instill lifelong learning. Throughout the library, areas for private study and reading are available along with spaces and resources that invite collaboration and facilitate team project development or a relaxing space for quiet conversation and contemplation.

B. D. Owens is designed to offer various academic resources essential for Northwest students, faculty, and staff. The 116,000 square-foot facility is home to over 368,000 books, documents, and bound periodicals, with approximately 40,000 periodicals and nearly 130,000 eBooks available in electronic format. As a member of the Missouri Consortium of Academic

Libraries (MOBIUS), B.D. Owens Library provides access to an additional 25 million items through the statewide collection.

The library offers education research resources for the professional education program to utilize a number of books, databases, streaming video collection, and teacher education course supports. The library web page encompasses a complete profile of resources related to education research.

Currently, databases provided on the library's website for the professional education program includes:

- ERIC (The Education Resource Information Center)
- Education Full Text, Education Research Complete
- ScienceDirect Social & Behavioral Sciences College edition
- SAGE Premier
- Chronicle of High Education
- Mental Measurements Yearbook with tests in Print
- FollettShelf K-12 eBook

B.D. Owens Library houses an extensive Juvenile collection. The range of content included in the collection is suited for a spectrum of grades and reading levels, including everything from picture books to young adult titles. A substantial assortment of "big books" for early childhood and primary grade level titles are available for classroom use. The library houses K-12 curriculum material resources covering various subjects to aid in applying best practices for practicum instruction and student-teaching courses required for the Department of Professional Education.

Whether on or off-campus, students, faculty, and staff are able to access an abundant amount of articles and eBooks through the library's website 24-hours a day. In addition to scholarly resources, the library's online search tools provides access to guides and tutorials over course attentive materials are available in addition to reference and citing support. With an experienced team of library staff, the "Help and Research" program provides students, faculty, and staff with personalized research assistance on a specific topic. Through the library webpage, K-12 examples of distance education links are available as resources for quality educational tools found on the Internet while also offering ways to integrate technology into the classroom. Students are able to access entire lists of books and web-based resources for lesson activities such as: social studies trade books, science activities, multicultural education literature, and eBooks. Library service is furthermore provided with supplementary online information to aid education majors enrolled in various required classes for the College of Education.

Course guides:

- [Literature for Elementary School \(61-216\)](#)
- [Elementary School Social Studies \(61-410\)](#)
- [Philosophy of Education \(61-695\)](#)
- [Principles of Early Childhood Education \(63-340\)](#)
- [Teaching Reading in the Elementary School \(62-655\)](#)
- [Techniques for Conferencing and Collaboration](#)
- [Elementary School Social Studies](#)
- [Evaluating Information Sources](#)
- [4 Ws Evaluating Information Sources](#)
- [Insider's Track for K-12 Ed](#)

Explore additional resources:

B.D. Owens Library: <http://www.nwmissouri.edu/library/>

B.D. Owens Library Catalog: <http://towers.searchmobius.org/search~S4>

Juvenile collection holdings: [http://towers.searchmobius.org/search~S4/X?SEARCH=\(*\)&searchscope=4&SORT=D&b=w4j](http://towers.searchmobius.org/search~S4/X?SEARCH=(*)&searchscope=4&SORT=D&b=w4j)

Curriculum collection holdings: [http://towers.searchmobius.org/search~S4/X?SEARCH=\(*\)&searchscope=4&SORT=D&b=w4c](http://towers.searchmobius.org/search~S4/X?SEARCH=(*)&searchscope=4&SORT=D&b=w4c)

Horace Mann Library collection: [http://towers.searchmobius.org/search~S4/X?SEARCH=\(*\)&searchscope=4&SORT=D&b=w5b](http://towers.searchmobius.org/search~S4/X?SEARCH=(*)&searchscope=4&SORT=D&b=w5b)