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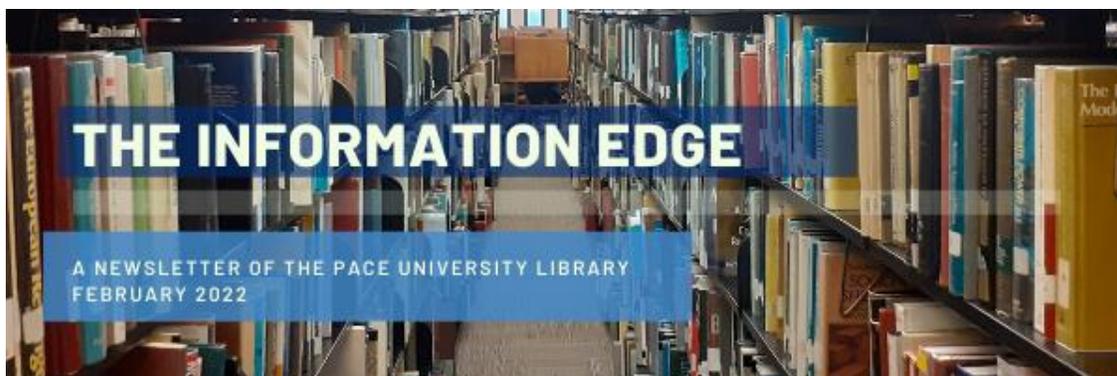
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Welcome to the *Information Edge*, a newsletter from the Birnbaum and Mortola Libraries. The *Information Edge* is edited by Sarah Burns Feyl (Head of Teaching & Learning Services) and Jennifer Rosenstein (Birnbaum Library Director). Questions or corrections? Please contact Jennifer at [jronsenstein@pace.edu](mailto:jronsenstein@pace.edu) or Sarah at [sburnsfeyl@pace.edu](mailto:sburnsfeyl@pace.edu)

## Spring 2022 Library Updates

The Birnbaum and Mortola Libraries have opened with in-person services for the Spring 2022 semester. [Library hours](#) are kept up to date on the Library homepage.

[Library staff](#) are available to help you and your students online and in-person during Library hours. Use our [Ask a Librarian](#) page to reach out and ask questions, request a [Library Research Instruction session](#) to have an



instruction librarian teach your students how to access and evaluate information resources, or request a [Librarian in Classes](#) and a reference librarian can answer student research questions in your course online. There are many ways you can integrate Library resources and services in your teaching – check out our [Library Resources for Teaching Online](#) guide for more details.

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### Now Available: New York Times Website Access



Read the [Library FAQ](#) to get all the details on how to claim your Academic Pass to the New York Times website. The Pace program is a proxy site license - you can claim an academic pass with your personal or Pace issued email address. Once you've claimed your Academic Pass, visit NYTimes.com and login to view content OR go to the [Pace Library database](#)

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**NOTE:** The Academic Pass **does not** include e-reader editions, NYT Cooking, New York Times Games, Premium Crosswords or The New York Times Crosswords apps. Access to archived articles from 1923-1980 is limited. For access to historical issues of the New York Times (1851-5 years ago), continue to use the [New York Times Archive](#) database available from the Library website.

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## New Databases



[Project Muse](#): the Library is happy to provide access to the Basic College Collection package of journals in the Humanities and Social Sciences from Project Muse. (Please note eBooks

are not included in this package)

[Pivot Database](#) (provided by the Office of the Provost): a resource for faculty, staff and students interested in identifying relevant funding opportunities for their research, scholarship, teaching, and creative activities. Learn more on the Office for Research's [Pivot page](#).

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## New Online Guide: SIFTing Sources



Check out the newest guide from the Library's Instructional Services Team: [SIFTing to Evaluate Sources](#). The SIFT strategy is quick, simple, and can be applied to various kinds of online content: news articles, scholarly articles, social media posts, memes, statistics, videos, images, etc.

The steps to SIFT were created by digital literacy expert

Michael Caulfield (Washington State University Vancouver) as a way for students to practice the habits needed to verify facts and rediscover the context around information, which can be removed in our digital world. Caulfield describes the SIFT model as "a practical approach to quick source and claim investigation, [it] encourages readers to take a minute or two to seek out basic information about sources and claims before they engage more deeply with media, and, if necessary, to move on to better material." Accompanying the Guide is an [interactive tutorial](#) which allows students to practice their SIFTing skills.

Interested in incorporating the SIFT Guide and accompanying online Tutorial into your teaching? Contact Jessica Kiebler, Instructional Services Librarian (PLV) at [jkiebler@pace.edu](mailto:jkiebler@pace.edu) or Gina Levitan, First Year Outreach Services Librarian (NYC) at [glevitan@pace.edu](mailto:glevitan@pace.edu)

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**Staff Pick**



Our staff pick for this issue comes from Part-Time Mortola Library Reference Librarian, Jodie Staton:

[Remembering Joan Didion](#) on Netflix. When I heard Joan Didion died December 23, 2021, it sent me for a jolt. I am familiar with her writing, but I didn't know much about her. So within minutes of hearing of her death I found the documentary of her life *Joan Didion: The Center Will Not Hold*, directed by her nephew, actor-filmmaker Griffin Dunne. "The documentary is a balmy celebration of Didion, covering her entire life, made with the warmth and care only a loved one could bring to such a project. It is a gorgeous remembrance of her prose and persona." I felt it was a great way to celebrate Joan Didion and learn more about her as a person. It did not disappoint. The best parts were her own sharing of the life she has lived and I felt like I'd spent a couple hours sitting with Joan Didion at the dining room table. It was a nice time and I felt better spending some time

remembering her. Next I'm going to finally read *The Year of Magically Thinking* - it's been on my bookcase for way too long!

## Video Highlight: Journal Title Searching



Learn more about finding full-text of online articles using the Library's Journal Title search tool. This tool can also be used to search for newspapers and magazines available from the Pace Library.



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