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### CU Libraries' Links:

[Inside The Clarion University Libraries](#)  
 Read back issues of the [Libraries' newsletter](#)

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 Your link to all of the Libraries' resources

We publish *INSIDE The CU Libraries* weekly, when classes are in session. Here we share information about our services and resources with the campus community. Current and back issues are available online through the NEWS link on the [Libraries' homepage](#).

### Thanksgiving Break Hours



With Friday classes meeting Tuesday and no classes being taught on Wednesday, Carlson and Suhr Libraries will operate with special hours:

#### Carlson Library

Tuesday	November 26	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	November 27	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Thursday – Saturday	November 28 - 30	Closed
Sunday	December 1	1:00 p.m. – midnight

#### Suhr Library

Tuesday	November 26	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday	November 27	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Thursday – Sunday	November 28 – December 1	Closed

Don't forget that many of our information resources are available at the [Libraries](#) website and various tutorials and resource lists are accessible there too.

### The CU Libraries are closed!



If you need help when the library is closed, we have got it covered. Clarion University Libraries have made arrangements for librarians at a consortium of universities to do what they can to help you. Although they do not know your courses, assignments or professors, they will do all that they can to help you find the resources you need.

At the [Clarion University Libraries](#) Website click on the "Chat Live With a Librarian" link located in the green box near the center of the screen. If a

## Online Catalog

Search the Libraries' online catalog

## Databases A-Z

Search the Libraries' extensive collection of electronic journals and e-books

## Contact Us

Dr. Terry Latour  
Dean of Libraries

Clarion Reference Librarian is unavailable and you need answers **now**, click the link to talk with a librarian from another school.

The link will take you to the [Ask Here PA](#) Website where you can follow the instructions and link to a college librarian elsewhere, even on nights and weekends. This service is provided by the State Library of Pennsylvania and is funded by Pennsylvania tax dollars.

## What Is Dissertations & Theses Global?



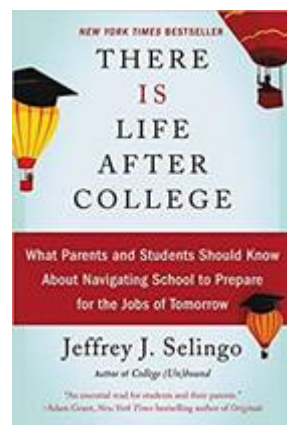
[Dissertations & Theses Global \(ProQuest\)](#) is a comprehensive collection of scholarly research dissertations and theses submitted by doctoral and master's degree students from around the world. They date from 1743 to the present day, offering full-text for graduate works added since 1997, along with selected full-text for works written prior to 1997. More than a million titles are available in electronic full-text form.

*Dissertations and Theses* is available through the [Libraries Homepage](#). In the "Research Resources" block, click on the [Databases A-Z](#) link, then scroll down the alphabetical list or use

the link to jump to the "D" section of databases.

If you have questions or need assistance, stop by the libraries or call Carlson Library at 393-2490. Clarion Online distance education students and those at the Venango Campus may call toll-free at 866-272-5612, (press 5 for Library). Chat and other online services are available at the [Ask a Librarian! / LibAnswers!](#) link on our Website.

## Carlson Library Browsing Books – *There is Life After College*



***There is Life After College: What Parents and Students Should Know About Navigating School to Prepare for the Jobs of Tomorrow*** by Jeffrey J. Selingo. HarperCollins, 2016.

Selingo is the former editor of *The Chronicle of Higher Education* and a special adviser and professor of practice at Arizona State University. He offers practical advice for parents and students that he believes will help students successfully transition to post-college life--a transition, he says, that is much more difficult than it used to be when a bachelor's degree was a near guarantee of financial stability and career opportunities.

A survey he commissioned of 750 young adults found that two-thirds didn't launch immediately from any form of post-high school education and, instead, were underemployment or unemployed, often for years. He classifies students into three groups--the sprinters, the wanderers, and the stragglers--and identifies the decisions and circumstances, good and bad, that had the greatest impact on their ability to find meaningful work as they transitioned into adulthood. He argues that students should choose schools in thriving urban areas where they can network and take advantage of worthwhile, paid internships and career-oriented work opportunities. He also offers advice for students and parents who are contemplating the expenses of higher education and the attendant debt and are wondering how to prepare for an increasingly complex and ambiguous work environment in which employers no longer seem to value job applicants whose only qualification is a four-year degree. One of the best educational preparations for the jobs of the future, he contends, is a Bachelor's degree in liberal arts combined with a Master's in a vocational area.

As he offers suggestions for reforming the educational system, he is particularly critical of colleges that he says are still playing by old rules and faculty who resist vocational-oriented curriculums. In addition, he faults "helicopter" and "snowplow" parents who have shielded, cocooned, and supervised their children to such an extent that when these children enter college they lack "grit" and self-discipline, have no experience of failure, and have no idea how to apply what they've learned.

[There is Life After College](#) can be found in the Carlson Library Browsing Collection, shelf location number LB2343.S45 2016.

## The S.W.A.T. Minion's Tip: Beware...Never Download "Codecs" or "Players"



If a website asks you to download a "codec," "player," or "browser update" to play a video, run the other way. The website is trying to infect your computer with malware.

Whether you are browsing social media or clicking through some sort of low-quality video-streaming website, you should never download any sort of "codec pack," "player," or "update." Tell your friends and family!

You might come across this sort of scam via a link on social media or a video-streaming website. You will not find these ads on legitimate sites like Netflix and YouTube, but on lower-quality sites — the kind of sites where you can stream pirated videos, for example. You might see an advertisement, pop-up window, or full-page ad trying to get you to download some kind of malware

disguised as a codec, video player, or software update.

If you ever see a message like this one, do not click it. This particular scam is easy to understand — if you download and run the software, your computer will be infected with something nasty.

### ***You Don't Need to Download Codecs or Web Players Anymore***

#### **The Three Things You Need:**

**Adobe Flash:** Adobe's Flash Player plug-in is used by many websites for video playback. Always get it from the official site at [adobe.com](http://adobe.com) — do not click strange links on websites if they say you need to download it or install an update. You will need to install this once.

**A Modern Browser:** Modern browsers support HTML5 video playback. Modern versions of Chrome, Firefox, Internet Explorer, Safari, and Opera all have this integrated. Just be sure you are using a *modern* web browser — no ancient versions of Internet Explorer, please.

**VLC for Playing Downloaded Files:** VLC media player is a single piece of software that can handle nearly any type of video or audio file you throw at it. Always download it from the official site at [videolan.org](http://videolan.org) — not via third-party sites that bundle it with junkware. Use it to play back media files you download. You will never need to download codecs separately again.

*Be sure you always get Flash, your browser, VLC, or any other software from the official site. Many malicious sites also display "you need to update Java" or "you need to update Flash" scams. If you click their download links, they will download garbage software onto your computer.*

## Cranial Candy: Word Of The Week



# affectionous

#### **PRONUNCIATION:**

(uh-FEK-shuhs)

#### **MEANING:**

*adjective:* Affectionate or cordial.

#### **ETYMOLOGY:**

Via French, from Latin *afficere* (to affect or influence). Earliest documented use: 1580.

#### **USAGE:**

"Bob Bevege's affectionous manner and wry smile belie the fact that he has the power to evict people from a racecourse or withdraw the licence (sic) of a racehorse trainer or jockey."

Protecting the Integrity of Racing; *Hawkes Bay Today* (Hastings, New Zealand); Jan 12, 2006.

Although we do not "repair" computers, the **S.W.A.T. Team**  
(**S**tudents **W**ho **A**ssist [with] **T**echnology)  
on Level A of Carlson Library is always happy to help.  
Having an issue? Let us take a *swat* at it!

## Something To Think About:



*If it can be destroyed by the truth,  
it deserves to be destroyed  
by the truth.*

*~Carl Sagan, astronomer and author  
(9 Nov 1934-1996)*

