Coffee Shop Spotlight: Augie’s Coffee

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As winter quarter starts back up, you might be looking for new places to study or hang out with your friends. Coffee shops are an excellent place for both of these activities because they provide a relaxed atmosphere and a variety of snacks and beverages to enjoy. Riverside is home to many great coffee shops so let’s explore a local favorite.

Nestled between the courthouses of downtown Riverside, Augie’s Coffee is everything a coffee shop should be and more. Augie’s serves both hot and cold tea and coffee so your friends can get lost in your textbooks. Furthermore, they sell a wide variety of merchandise, coffee brewing equipment and even art from local artists.

AUGIE’S COFFEE
ADDRESS:
4205 MAIN ST
RIVERSIDE, CA 92501

Augie’s Coffee is native to the Inland Empire with their first store opening in Redlands in 2009. They have since opened locations here in Riverside, Claremont, and Temecula. The owner, Austin Amento, even attended UCR. So going here is a great way to support alumni!

Next time you’re in downtown Riverside, be sure to stop by for some coffee and take a stroll down the block to the historic Riverside County Superior Court building.
Learning to Love Our Libraries
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February is National Library Lover’s Month and I would like to turn your attention to the background of some of the buildings that we enter or pass by without thinking. Here at UCR, we have three major libraries – the Tomás Rivera Library, Orbach Science Library, and the Music Library. As much as these spaces are available for us to retreat for studying and gathering research materials, they offer an opportunity to expand our learning.

**Fast Facts:**
1. Rivera Library
   This was one of the five original buildings at UCR and was completed in December 1953. It was renamed after Chancellor Tomás Rivera in February 1985. Rivera’s holdings are primarily in the humanities, arts, and social sciences. The library also hosts the Special Collections and University Archives.

2. Orbach Science Library
   Orbach opened its doors in August 1998 and was renamed after Chancellor Raymond L. Orbach in November 2009. As its name suggests, the library is primarily for CNAS holdings. Additionally, the library hosts a Map Collection, Patent and Trademark Resource Center, and the Water Resources Collections and Archives.

3. Music Library
   Unfortunately, I was not able to find much on the history of this resource, but they have unique collections including one on

African American Life & Culture and another on Japanese Hip Hop!

As you can see, these libraries offer unique resources that allow us to enhance our research, but also to spark research interests and explore new areas. For instance, I visited the Special Collections and University Archives and explored the collection on Tomás Rivera, the first Mexican-American chancellor of the UC system and the namesake of the library. While I did not have a research project to do this on, I began to learn more about a man who endured discrimination and paved a way for young students of color like myself. Furthermore, I handled documents that had his handwritten notes and found a card that indicated his support for President Jimmy Carter’s reelection campaign (this fit my research interests so it was a fun and unexpected discovery!). But, maybe your interest is not in history, maybe it’s in GIS or the enhancement of your geographic modeling capabilities. Visiting the Map Collection, you will find GIS workstations and information on workshops related to GIS. It really is amazing to experience what our university can offer us.

Overall, I hope that this article challenges you to take a few minutes to explore our libraries and dive in. You don’t really know what you will find or how you will be affected by these resources until you go!
Calendar of Events

*Please note that the times and locations may change.

Be the Change With Sustainable Gardening!
Come learn about how you can make an impact in your community and the world through sustainable gardening.
Oban Pool House
2/4/19 @ 4:00 pm

Draw at Day, Sleep at Night!
Let’s discuss good and bad sleeping habits while customizing your own pillow case.
Falkirk Pool House
2/4/19 @ 6:30 pm

Straws for a Cause
Residents will learn about how plastic and plastic straws affect the environment.
Falkirk Pool House
2/6/19 @ 6:00 pm

Letters to Veterans
Write letters to veterans, drink boba, and connect with the community! Show your “love” in the month of February!
2/6/19 @ 7:00 pm

Pizza and Privilege
Share a slice with fellow community members and learn about the impacts of privilege.
Stonehaven Lobby
2/7/19 @ 6:00 pm

Diversity Crash Course
A guided discussion of identity, power, and privilege.
Stonehaven Front Lobby
2/8/19 @ 7:00 pm

Playing With a Purpose
Destress with Play-doh while learning how to respect people of different identities!
Plaza Pool House
2/12/19 @ 8:00 pm

Around the World
A program to teach residents about race, microaggressions, and what it means to live in a diverse community.
Bannockburn J102
2/13/19 @ 6:30 pm

Plazapalooza
Learn how to land your dream job!
Plaza Pool House
2/20/19 @ 7:00 pm

Paint Your Piece
Residents will be painting their identities and discussing them with their peers.
Falkirk Pool House
2/21/19 @ 7:00 pm

Study Skills for Success
Make a DIY bookmark & learn skills to help you be the best student you can be!
Bannockburn J102
2/25/19 @ 5:00 pm

Strive for Success
More information to come!
Stonehaven Pool Deck
2/28/19 @ 1:30 pm