

# GIL Express & U.I.



GUGM May 13, 2025





#### Why Change?

After an RFP process in preparation for the courier contract ending in 2024, a decision was approved by RACL to decentralize the management of the courier service. This was in large part due to the decline in volume of materials being shipped for GIL Express and the increase in charges by Stat Courier. The GIL Resource fees that each library contributed centrally would stay with the libraries to manage their shipping individually. Better performance and tracking could be achieved for potentially less money. This transition was scheduled to occur July 2024, but USG delayed for a year at the request of GPLS who also uses Stat Courier.



# When is STAT going away?

- June 25
  - Last day for pick-up and will be taking all blue bins
- June 26-30
  - Delivery only
- June 26
  - Start using another carrier (ILL)
- Keep the blue bags

#### Why FedEx? Do I have to use FedEx?

- FedEx and UPS have statewide contracts. Currently FedEx has the lowest ground shipping rate.
  - o Ground avg. 2 day turnaround starting at \$5.29 for 1lb and \$5.90 for 10lbs.
- You are not required to use FedEx.
  - You can use UPS or USPS, it just needs to have comparable turnaround times (not USPS Library rate).
- You may have other institutional considerations.



- Survey sent on May 2 to identify shipping method due May 16.
  - if you intend to use FedEx
  - if you already have an existing FedEx account
  - if you need a new account or additional accounts

#### Pick Up/Delivery

- FedEx suggests separate accounts for each pick up location but all pickup (FedEx calls them "shipper") locations can have the same billing information/address.
- Must have valid street address for library building, not the general campus address (alternately referred to as the 911 address).

#### Dedicated vs Scheduled Pickups

- Each library pickup location can set up dedicated pickup and delivery days
  - Can be everyday M-F if you have a high volume or a selection (ex. MWF or TuTh) but times can be different each day (ex. 3pm on M-Th, but 10am on Fri if you close early)
  - How many days is library choice and depends on your volume must have at least one package for pickup each dedicated day
- If you don't need dedicated days, you can schedule a pickup as needed
  - Will need to adhere to GIL Express delivery standards
  - Schedule on Fedex.com, pickup will happen the next day.
- Pickup/delivery location can be at your library on whatever floor or area you choose Does not have to be campus mailroom
- Choosing a dedicated or scheduled service will occur after account creation but start thinking about what your library locations want to do.

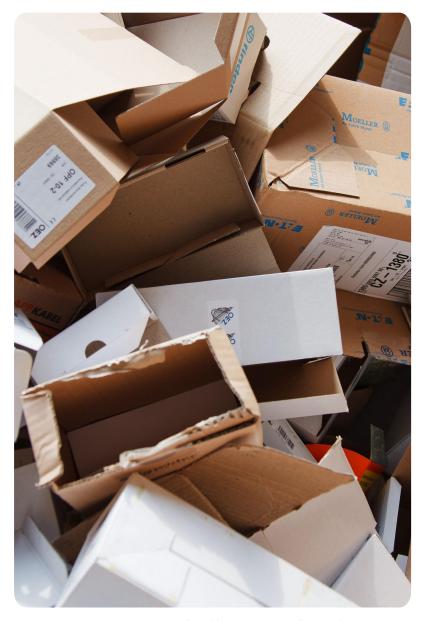
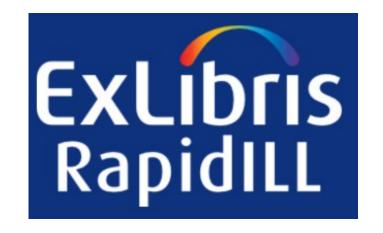


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# Packaging and Labeling

- FedEx has confirmed that we can use the smaller blue GIL bags along with a sturdy zip tie and still pay ground shipping rates
- FedEx recommends cardboard boxes because they are sturdy enough to provide some protection and can be used over and over again
- Cannot use branded FedEx packaging with Ground, only 2 Day Express and above. If a library chooses to use the more expensive Express shipping, FedEx includes shipping supplies in the costs.
- Tracking included
- Print labels on regular letter size paper.
- Can estimate weight of package in system and will be adjusted by FedEx, but a postal scale is recommended (cost is \$25-50 on Staples and Amazon). If you have some end of year funds consider buying now.





#### Interlibrary Loan

- •Z39.50
- •Integration with ILLiad
- RapidILL



# GIL Express Freeze

- Monday, June 16 Request freeze begins
- June 16-July 8 Can check out and return items in Alma
- July 9-15 Circulation freeze
- ILL freeze is determined by each institution



#### GIL Express

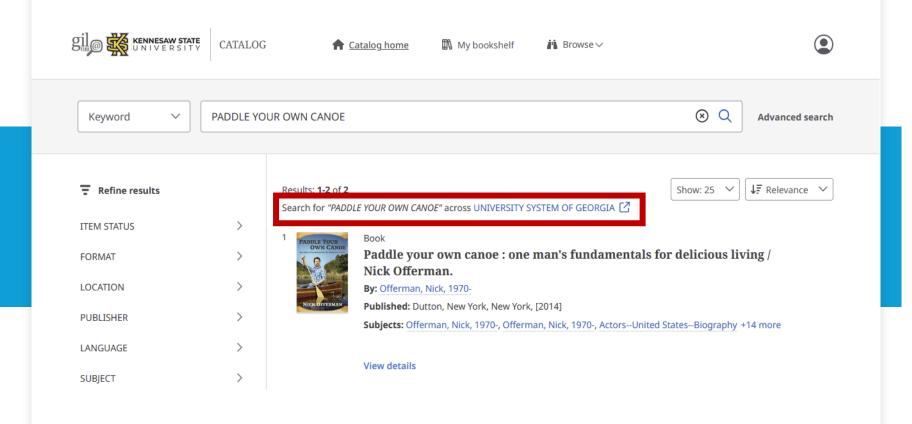


Alma	OpenRS/DCB
Requests managed in Alma	Requests managed in FOLIO
4 day response time	4 day response time
28 day loan, 2 automatic renewals*	90 day loan, no renewals**
Appears in library account	Appears in library account

<sup>\*</sup>Until May 19

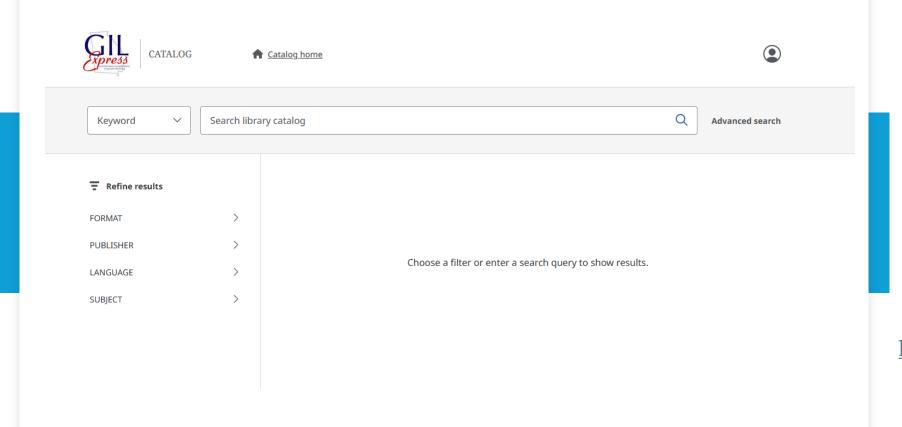
<sup>\*\*</sup>New bands are going to be created





# Institutional GIL-Find

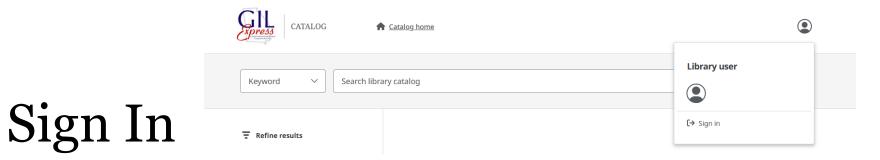




#### Universal Catalog

https://openrs-gil.locate.ebsco.com/

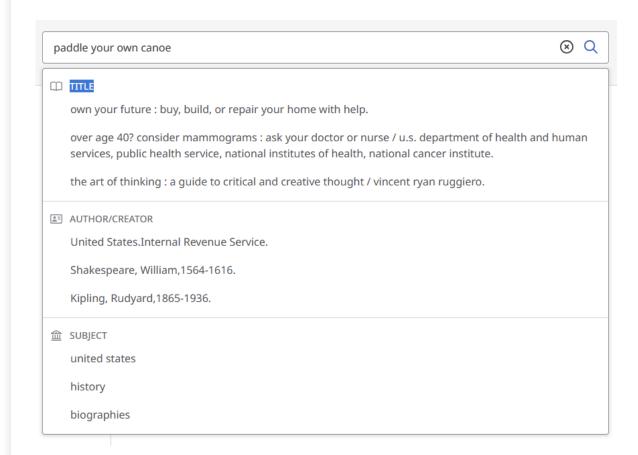




# Sign in Let's find your institution Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College Find your institution Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College Albany State University Atlanta Metropolitan State College Augusta University College of Coastal Georgia



### Search Suggestions





## Search Results

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Book

Paddle your own canoe : one man's fundamentals for delicious living / Nick Offerman.

Contributors: Offerman, Nick, 1970-author.

Published: Dutton, 2014

Subjects: Offerman, Nick, 1970-, Offerman, Nick, 1970-, Actors +17 more

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Book

Strong and steady, or, Paddle your own canoe / by Horatio Alger, Jr.

Contributors: Alger, Horatio, Jr., 1832-1899.

Published: Hurst, 1904

Subjects: Boys, Conduct of life, Orphans +15 more

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Paddle your own canoe : an American woman's passage into Nigeria / Lesley Kitchen Lababidi.

Contributors: Lababidi, Lesley Kitchen.

Published: Spectrum, 1997

Subjects: Lababidi, Lesley Kitchen., Lababidi, Lesley Kitchen, Intermarriage. +15 more

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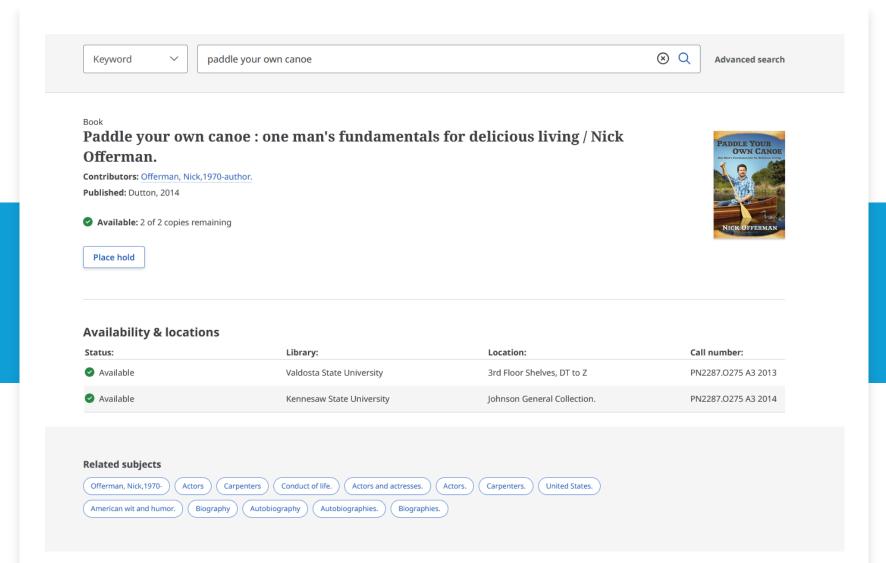
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Paddle your own canoe / Gary & Joanie McGuffin ; [photography by Gary McGuffin and Hugh Trueman].

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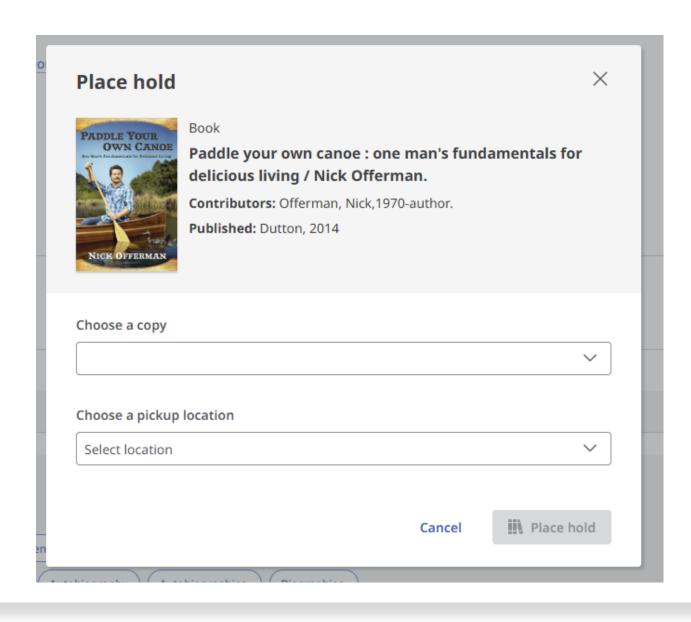
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#### Item Record

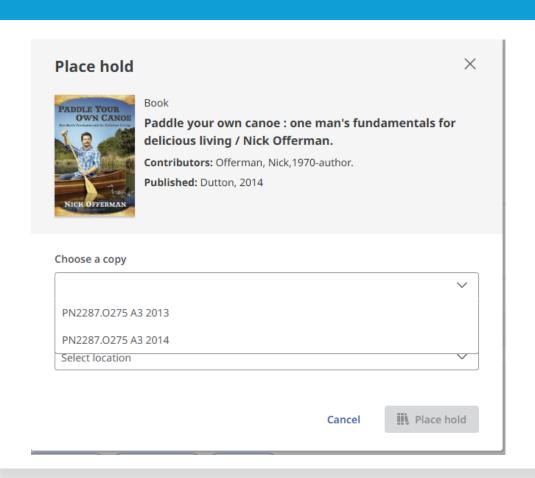


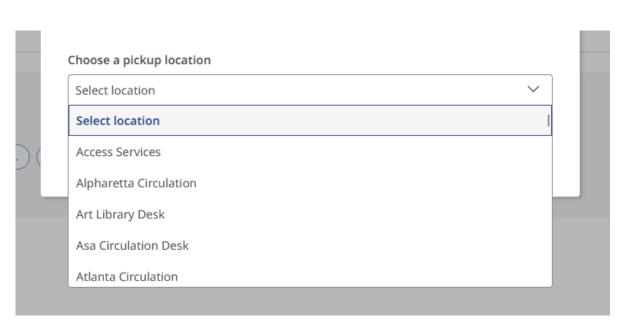


#### Place Hold



#### Request Form

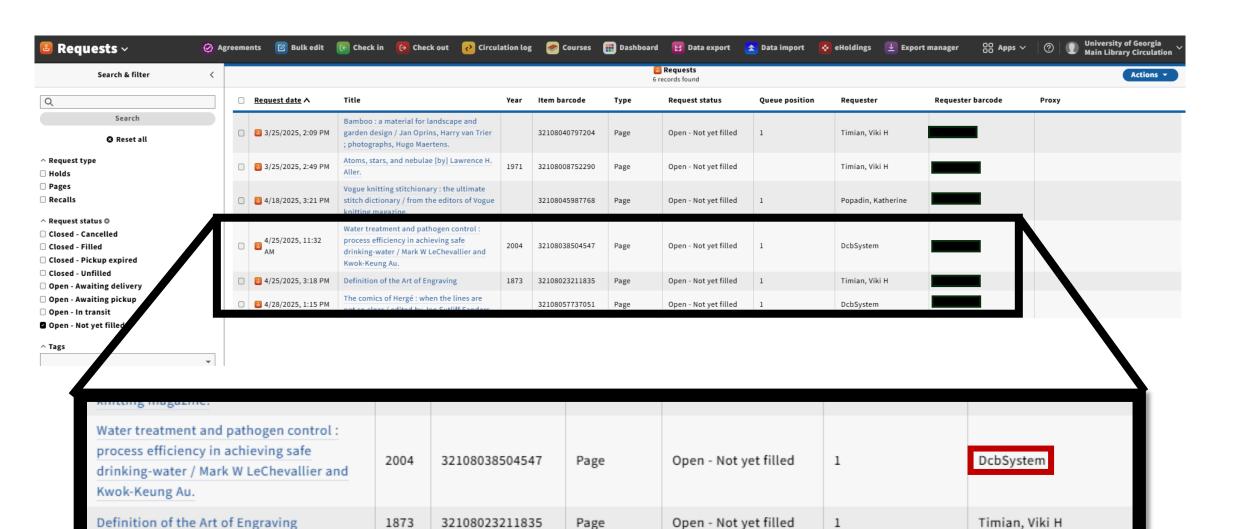






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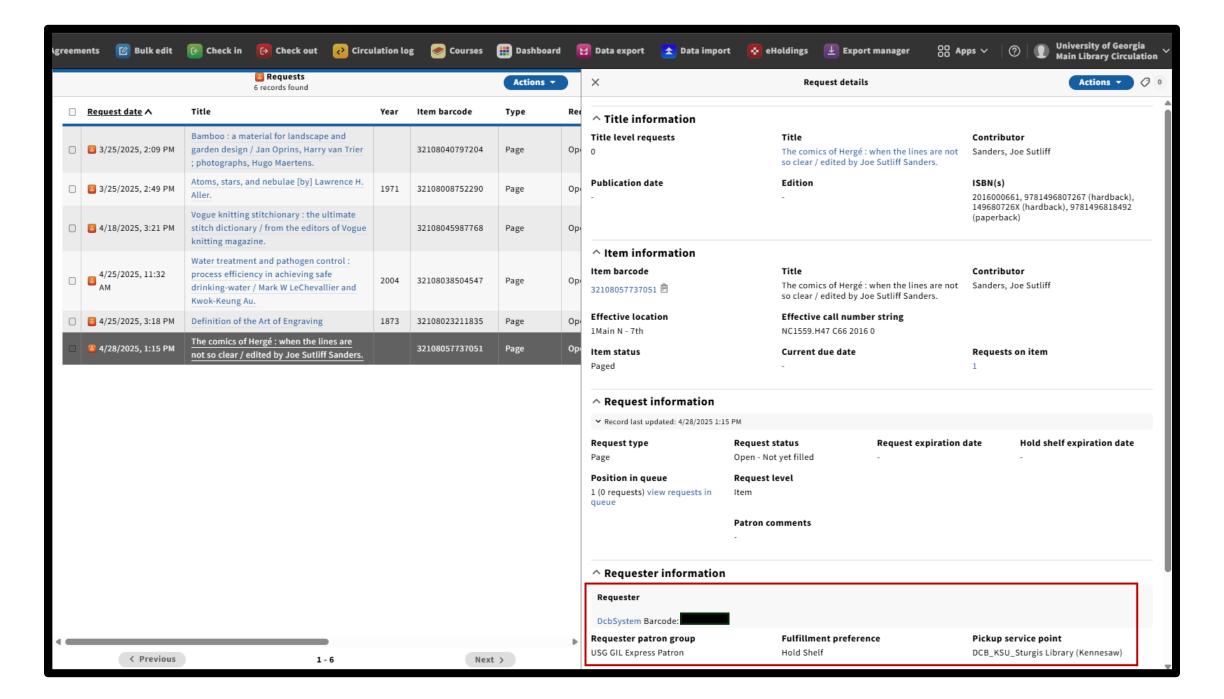
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DcbSystem







#### **Item Request Slip**

Request Date: Apr 28, 2025, 1:15 PM

Request ID: 498562df-0311-476c-862f-e4bf386fdc39

Location: 1Main N - 7th

Call number:

#### NC1559.H47 C66 2016

Title: The comics of Hergé: when the lines are not so clear / edited by Joe Sutliff

Sanders.

Item Barcode: 32108057737051

Requested for: DcbSystem,

Hold Pickup Location: DCB\_KSU\_Sturgis Library (Kennesaw)

University of Georgia

Main Campus

Main Library Circulation

Patron Comments:

Request expiration date:

#### Request/Pick Slip



#### Transit Slips and Emails





Universal template for transit slip

GIL Express template emails will need to be set up in circulation rules



#### **TRANSIT SLIP**

#### Send to: Repository Circulation Desk

Title: Maid Marian and Crotchet castle / by Thomas Love Peacock; illustrated by F.H. Townsend; with an introduction by

George Saintsbury.

Author: Peacock, Thomas Love, 1785-1866

Call Number: PZ3 .P312 MA

Enumeration: Volume:

**Number of Pieces:** 

Barcode: 50634000266499

Requester:,

**Patron Comments:** 

Print Date: 04/25/2025 2:22 PM

Sent from: Kennesaw State University Johnson Circulation Desk

For questions about the item, please contact Kennesaw State University.

# Draft Transit Slip



#### Current Issues

- Does not show location of items not available for holds
- OpenRS not syncing status (shows available when checked out)
- Search suggestions not relevant
- Weird patron identification name when signed in
- Select copy display
- Pick Up/Delivery location display names
- Can't see patron name in Requests App, only DCB
- Place Hold vs Place Request button

