

# Face(book)ing the facts:

## A librarian's guide to surviving Facebook

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Social networks are increasingly popular tools for personal communication. Large numbers of patrons use Facebook or similar websites daily, but can libraries use Facebook effectively? Our presentation will provide an overview of Facebook and its use in an academic library setting.

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- URL for the Face(book)ing the Facts group on Facebook
- Must be logged in to Facebook to access.

<http://www.people.vcu.edu/~bjpeacemaker/facebook/presentation>

- Presentation slides

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