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Hofstra University Library’s Curriculum Materials Center will be hosting the National Library of Medicine’s *Harry Potter’s World: Renaissance Science, Magic, and Medicine* exhibit from November 14th through December 6th in the Hagedorn Hall lobby. The exhibit illustrates the intersection between science, history and medicine and the magic of Harry Potter’s world of potions, herbology, alchemy and magical beasts. The exhibit will be open to the Hofstra community as well as the general public on select days.

While the *Harry Potter* series, created by J.K. Rowling in 1997, is pure fantasy much of the magic is based upon Renaissance science and medicine. The exhibit was created using materials from the National Library of Medicine.

Additionally, Assistant Professor of Library Services, Amy Catalano, will be hosting students from local school districts to participate in field trips that include inquiry-based science, linguistics and history activities related to the exhibit.

Visit the National Library of Medicine’s site for details on the exhibit as well as related educational materials. On the site there are lesson plans for middle/high school English and Science as well as modules geared toward higher education students.  [http://www.nlm.nih.gov/exhibition/harrypottersworld/exhibition.html](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/exhibition/harrypottersworld/exhibition.html)

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