

In the

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Welcome to the June 2012 issue of *C&RL News*. As we prepare to head to Anaheim for the 2012 ALA Annual Conference, many academic and research librarians are thinking about the future of our profession. The ACRL Research Planning and Review Committee's "2012 top ten trends in academic libraries" report, which appears in this issue, is an excellent starting point for discussion. The report examines trends that impact academic libraries now and in the near future, including communicating value, data curation, the mobile environment, user behavior, and new models of scholarly communication.

Performing and presenting research is one way to keep the profession on top of these trends to create a more vibrant future. Laura Andersen and Beth Russell of the New York University Abu Dhabi Library present five "Lessons learned" for new researchers based on their experiences examining perceptions of e-books on their campus.

New technologies, and new uses of current technologies, continue to impact the higher education and library environments. Articles in last month's issue examined two trends noted in the report—mobile access to library resources

and patron driven acquisitions. This month, Cynthia Dudenhoffer writes about her experiences experimenting with Pinterest, a hot new social networking site. Eleanor J. Goldberg and Michael LaManga discuss one part of the trend towards new scholarly communication models with their Internet Resources article, providing a guide to online resources for "Open educational resources in higher education."

In this issue's ACRL TechConnect feature, Emily Daly and Michael Peper discuss the Duke University Libraries' collaborative approach to Web projects, using their implementation of Summon as an example, in their article "Building WIGITs." Librarians from Bowling Green State University examine the impact of adding new resources such as Summon on library instruction in their article "Beyond simple, easy, and fast."

Make sure to check out the other features and columns this month, including an essay by Jason Martin on organizational culture in libraries and complete 2012 ACRL election results.

Thanks as always for reading the *News*.

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