

Auburn students assist in digitization project

On Saturday, March 5, 25 Auburn University (AU) students prepared 478 boxes of U.S. Hearings to be shipped to the University of Florida for digitizing. The students were participating in an annual event that provides Auburn students the opportunity to volunteer both on campus and in the community. The students worked with AU Libraries staff to box over a third of the materials to be shipped to Florida. Once the hearings are digitized, they will be available online to researchers anywhere in the world.



Auburn students participating in The BIG Event.

“We are extremely grateful to the student volunteers of The BIG Event for helping us with this project,” said Bonnie MacEwan, dean of Auburn University Libraries.

“The students have helped make it possible for us to share these documents with the world. We are pleased to work with our colleagues at the University of Florida to contribute to a project to make this important information openly available to scholars and delighted to have Auburn students contribute to an effort that will benefit them and their fellow students worldwide.”

Organized by AU’s Student Government Association, The BIG Event gives Auburn students a chance to give back to the community through a day of community service projects. In 2016, students volunteered for The BIG Event and worked in groups of varying sizes to lend a hand at area charitable organizations, schools, churches, and even individual homes.

Mentors needed for Spectrum Scholars

Are you interested in directly contributing to the development of the next generation of academic librarians and ensuring a diverse workforce? Then consider mentoring an ALA Spectrum Scholar through the ACRL Dr. E. J. Josey Spectrum Scholar Mentor Program. The program links participating library school

students and new librarians who are of American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian, Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander descent, with established academic librarians who

provide mentoring and professional guidance. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis. Complete details, including program details and application information, are available on ACRL Insider at www.acrl.org/aclrinsider/archives/11497.

Claremont Colleges Library joins Greater Western Library Alliance

The Claremont Colleges Library has been granted membership into the Greater Western Library Alliance (GWLA), a consortium of 36 research libraries located in the central and western United States. GWLA is a dynamic, project-oriented consortium, nationally recognized as a leader in the transformation of scholarly communication, and a facilitator in the application of new information technologies in libraries serving higher education. The Claremont Colleges Library serves a distinguished consortium of five undergraduate and two graduate institutions located 35 miles east of downtown Los Angeles.

2014 Academic Library Trends and Statistics

ACRL announces the publication of *2014 Academic Library Trends and Statistics*, the latest in a series of annual publications that describe the collections, staffing, expenditures, and service activities of academic libraries in all Carnegie classifications. The three-volume set includes Associate of Arts institutions, Master's Colleges and Universities/Baccalaureate Colleges, and Research/Doctoral-granting Institutions. The individual volumes for Associates Colleges, Masters/Baccalaureate, and Doctoral-Granting institutions are also available for purchase.

The 2014 data show that library expenditures for collection materials averaged \$6,471,262 for doctoral degree-granting institutions, \$776,119 for comprehensive degree-granting institutions, \$509,643 for baccalaureate schools, and \$143,254 for associate-degree granting institutions. The percentage of the collection materials budget spent on ongoing resources purchases (including subscription expenditures) averaged 70% of the total materials budget. On average, doctoral degree granting institutions spent 74.6% of their materials budgets on ongoing purchases in 2013, comprehensive schools spent an average of 76.5%, baccalaureate schools spent an average 71.5%, and associate degree granting institutions spent an average of 55.6%.

The 2014 data show that expenditures for salaries and wages accounted for 57.3% of the total library expenditures on average. Salaries and wages constituted 77.9% of total library expenditures for associate-degree granting institutions, 52.7% for baccalaureate, 54.7% for comprehensive schools, and 44% for doctoral/research institutions.

Of the libraries surveyed, 34.3% of doctoral degree-granting institutions, 33.8% of comprehensive degree-granting institutions, 20.6% of baccalaureate schools, and 16.9% of associate-degree granting institutions require professional development for tenure

track consideration or other advancement. Less than half of academic libraries have measures or methods in place to assess the impact of professional development, but a small percentage of libraries require staff to report how their professional development activities support student learning or research outcomes at their institutions, with 10.46% of baccalaureate schools using this method.

In the past three years, funding for professional development has increased for more doctoral/research institutions (30.8%) than comprehensive schools (19.9%), baccalaureate schools (19.3%), or associate-degree granting institutions (11.4%). Of the libraries surveyed, most budgeted between .01 and 1.99% for professional development including 49% of doctoral/research schools, 42.6% of comprehensive schools, 38% of baccalaureate schools, and 23.4% of associate degree granting institutions.

The 2014 survey includes data from 1,449 academic libraries in six major categories:

- Collections (including titles held, volumes, and electronic books)
- Expenditures (library materials, salaries and wages, etc.)
- Personnel and Public Services (staff and services)
- Ph.D.s Granted, Faculty, Student Enrollment
- Professional development

The survey also provides analysis of selected variables and summary data (high, low, mean, and median) for all elements. The 2014 data can be used for self-studies, budgeting, strategic planning, annual reports, grant applications, and benchmarking.

2014 Academic Library Trends and Statistics is available for purchase through the ALA Online Store, by telephone order at (866) 746-7252 in the United States or (770) 442-8633 for international customers.

“We’re excited to be joining the GWLA network of academic libraries,” said Kevin Mulroy, the A. J. McFadden Dean of the Claremont Colleges Library. “Membership in the consortium will bring immediate and substantial benefits to our faculty, students, and staff through increased access to information resources.”

During the membership assessment, a three-person GWLA team visited the Claremont Colleges Library for an on-site evaluation that is similar to a college accreditation visit. The team members were impressed by the library’s collection size and scope, public services, new strategic initiatives, and potential contributions to the alliance. More information on GWLA is available at www.gwla.org.

Southern Illinois acquires 3 millionth volume

Southern Illinois University (SIU) Carbon-dale’s Morris Library is pleased to announce

the acquisition of its 3 millionth volume—*Uncle Tom’s Cabin* by Harriet Beecher Stowe. Published in March 1852, *Uncle Tom’s Cabin* sold more than 300,000 copies in its first year and humanized the cruelty and suffering of slavery for the general public. It was controversial from the start, sparking outrage in the South where it was banned as abolitionist propaganda. It is still occasionally banned today, for outdated racial language rather than its antislavery message.

For that reason it will be added to the library’s Ralph McCoy Freedom of the Press collection, in honor of our first dean and his devotion to the principles of the First Amendment. The Friends of Morris Library purchased this first edition/first printing of *Uncle Tom’s Cabin* to highlight the continuing growth and breadth of Morris Library’s academic collections and achievements in supporting faculty, student, and community research.

C&RL News seeks cover art

C&RL News is looking for images from library collections to feature on upcoming covers.

If you have items in your collections that you think would make attractive *C&RL News* covers, we would love to see them.

To submit images (or image collections), send URLs for web-based images or images directly as attachments to David Free at dfree@ala.org. Please include a brief description of the item and your collection.

Images selected to appear as *C&RL News* covers will require a high-resolution electronic image (300 dpi or

higher) to be submitted prior to the publication date.



Images must be vertically oriented or it must be possible to crop the image to show a detail in vertical format. Both color and black-and-white images are accepted.

Works selected must be in the public domain, from institutions that own reproduction rights for the works, or express rights must be obtained from the copyright holder.

Complete guidelines for the submission of cover illustrations are available online at crln.acrl.org/site/misc/author.xhtml.

Altmetric data now available in Summon

Ex Libris, a ProQuest company, recently announced that it has integrated altmetrics into the Summon discovery service to significantly enrich the user experience and improve content discovery. This new development, achieved through collaboration between ProQuest and Altmetric, enables researchers to explore the online shares, comments, and discussion relating to individual research outputs with a single click. Libraries can easily turn on the free Summon-Altmetric integration to display Altmetric badges that highlight the broader impacts and popularity of articles included in Summon result sets. This information, tracked by Altmetric, is drawn from sources that include mainstream media, Wikipedia, blogs, social networks, reference managers, post-publication peer-review forums, and other online communities.

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—Jaki King
Clark College

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EBSCO launches Architectural Digest Magazine Archive

An extensive, searchable digital archive of the renowned design magazine *Architectural Digest* is now available from EBSCO Information Services. The *Architectural Digest* Magazine Archive includes cover-to-cover access to issues of the iconic and influential design magazine from the 1920s to 2011. Each issue in the archive is presented in its entirety, including the front and back covers and high-quality photo spreads. All articles and advertisements have been indexed with subject terms to allow users to find relevant results quickly, as well as research and analyze trends in topics and advertising materials. With more than 90 years' worth of issues available, the *Architectural Digest Magazine* Archive is a valuable resource for everyday design enthusiasts, researchers of architecture and interior design and those interested in the history of business, advertising, and popular culture. For more information, visit www.ebscohost.com/archives.

Represent ALA on IFLA standing committees

Would you like to represent ALA on an International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) section standing committee? The biennial appointment process to represent ALA on relevant IFLA standing committees is currently underway for terms running from 2017 through 2021.

The ACRL Board of Directors endorses candidates for election to a number of IFLA standing committees, with the ACRL Leadership Recruitment and Nominations Committee (LRNC) acting in an advisory capacity to the Board in recommending approval for appointment.

Complete details on the application process are available in ALA Connect at <http://connect.ala.org/node/251171>. The deadline for nominations is May 6, 2016. Contact LRNC Chair Erika Linke at linke@cmu.edu with questions. *TL*