

LAUC San Diego Division Report 2016-2017

State of the Library

In the summer of 2015, the Library launched the Geisel Library Revitalization Initiative (GLRI) to transform the first, second, and eighth floors in Geisel Library into modern, collaborative, technology-rich spaces that advance learning and research. In Spring of 2016, Audrey's Cafe opened and planning is now underway to renovate the top floor of Geisel into a flexible modern reading room, which can be reconfigured to serve as a space for special events. Over the past year, a Planning and Coordination Team (PaCT) was formed and finalized a process for forming core teams (Collections, Communications, New Spaces, Services, and Staff Moves) to continue the GLRI progress.

The Teaching and Learning Commons (T+LC) opened its doors in the Library in October 2016. It offers services and programs to undergraduate, graduate and faculty to launch new programs and energize teaching and learning on campus. (Relationship with the Library?)

The Library launched a redesigned website in June 2017. The basic design of past site was done about seven years ago, and needed a refresh. The redesign incorporated information gathered in several rounds of User Experience studies as well as on feedback received in faculty /staff and student surveys. Included is a new "Search" panel with the most frequently used resources, updated styling based on the UC San Diego campus templates and graphics, including responsive design for use on different devices and better conformance to accessibility standards, a shift in focus towards a more action-oriented ability to accomplish tasks, and focused content especially for undergrads, graduate students, faculty and visitors. The redesign took several working groups including a steering committee, groups for information architecture, user studies and home page design.

University Librarian Brian Schottlaender retired after 33 years in the UC system as a member of LAUC and 18 of those years at the UC San Diego Library. He contributed to LAUC-SD by participating at membership meetings, holding quarterly meetings with the LAUC-SD present, past and incoming Chairs, and provided strong support for professional development. Tammy Dearie is serving as Interim University Librarian while a national search is conducted. LAUC-SD submitted to the University Librarian Search Committee specific selection criteria of importance to LAUC-SD as a collective voice representing Librarians, as has been done in previous University Librarian searches.

Library News

New Hires: Elizabeth Miraglia, Assistant Program Director and Head of Books & Serials Metadata; Allegra Swift, Scholarly Communications Librarian; Hannah Begley, Research Data Curation Metadata Librarian; Nina Mamikunian, Humanities Librarian and Curator for the Archive for New Poetry

The Scholarly Communications Librarian and Research Data Curation Metadata Librarian are some of the new positions created in the Library. Other positions include Digital Scholarship, First Year Experience, and Research Advisory Services, which will be filled in the coming year.

Retirements & Resignations: Brian Schottlaender, University Librarian; Juliane Schneider, Metadata Librarian; Tim Dennis, Data Services Librarian

LAUC-SD Committee Highlights & Activities

LAUC-SD Executive Board

- Focused on documenting roles and responsibilities, including adding an overview of positions and appointment tracking in our intranet site. Each committee also worked on updating documentation and the external website in preparation for the Library's website migration.
- Formed the LAUC@50 Task Force to plan a local summer celebration for LAUC's 50th Anniversary. The Task Force planned and carried out the event. It was well attended by current as well as past members, and featured a video created on value of LAUC and a data visualization project that captures where LAUC-SD Librarians have done research and presentations during their time at UC San Diego, as well as an interactive game revisiting historical documents from the LAUC-SD Archives.

R&PD

- Received two statewide presentation grants and funded seven local grants (2 posters and 5 presentations).
- Hosted a 4-part research series featuring two outside speakers, and sponsored a webinar and two virtual conferences, which were open to all in the library.
- Consolidated, redesigned, and updated the local grant application form; updated documentation of R&PD's functions, processes and past programming and the eScholarship submission process, and created a schedule for grant calls.

Mentoring

- Hosted the sixth annual Librarian Shadow Day in March with 10 MLIS students participating in the event. A new Round Robin activity was added in the afternoon, which got great feedback. However, student participation was lower this year, possibly due to the timing of the event.

- Started *four* years ago, the LAUC-SD Graduate Internship Program is maturing with growing interest. There were three placements. One of the placements was our first time participating in the ARL/SAA Mosaic Program, a year long (Aug through May) fellowship related to Special Collections and Archives. It was also the first year the Library hosted two interns from Fudan University in Shanghai. All five of the interns concluded their time at the Library with presentations sponsored by the Mentoring Committee, giving our interns a chance to present about what they are doing with the aim of a practice that benefits their professional skills and builds library staff understanding about their work.
- Updated information on the website.
- Filled 7 requests for mentoring, by pairing interested individuals with Librarian mentors.

Diversity & Inclusion

- Supported financially for two librarians and five library staff members to attend diversity and inclusion related events.
- Hosted at least one event per month, ranging from workshops and trainings, speakers, webinars, film screenings, and social engagements.
- Provided timely programming, often dealing with emotional events tied to national and international issues.
- Many of the Library Diversity & Inclusion Committee organized events included collaboration and outreach with other UC Campuses and UC San Diego Committees, library programs, and community groups.

CAPA

- Reviewed 11 academic review files. Five of the files required ad hoc committees to be called.
- Reviewed 11 appointment files for the 9 positions.
- Recommended section be added to the ARPM on the process for librarians who are appointed to a new internal position. It should be documented that the review cycle timeline is reset to the time of the new appointment, as it has been the practice but is not currently specified in the ARPM.

Further details on Committee activities are available on the Committee pages of the LAUC-SD website: <http://lib.ucsd.edu/lauc-sd>.

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