

2019-2020 Senate Library Annual Report

Submitted by Emily Spunaugle, Chair

Membership

Faculty members: Felicia Chong (CAS), replaced by Josie Walwema W2020; Victoria Lucia (SOM), Chaunda Scott (SEHS), Patricia Cameron (SON), Julia Rodriguez (KL), Mark Sturtevant (CAS), Christopher Wilson (SHS), Peng Zhao (SECS), Shawn Lombardo (KL), David Kidger (CAS), Sungeon Kim (CAS), Austin Murphy (SBA), Dominique Daniel (KL), Emily Spunaugle (KL).

Ex-Officio and Non-Voting Members: Mariela Hristova (Interim Dean, UL), Nancy Bulgarelli, (Sr. VP Academic Affairs), Julia Alexander (Student Congress, Undergrad), Laurel Levine (Student Congress, Undergrad), Sarah Bodnar (Student Congress, Graduate).

Authors at Oakland

The main work of the SLC is the annual Authors at Oakland event, which celebrates the scholarly output of the OU community, and the student recipients of the Frank Lepkowski Undergraduate Research in Writing Award. The 15th Annual Authors at Oakland: A Celebration of the Book solicited single submissions from the OU and OUWB communities, yielding a total of 75 submissions.

The Library Committee met three times during the 2019-2020 AY, and in two subcommittees actively participated in remote, online work between meetings in preparation for Authors at Oakland.

Members:

- Reviewed and finalized letter to faculty soliciting their submissions;
- Updated criteria for submissions;
- Created, reviewed, and tested a form to gather submissions;
- Organized and curated submissions;
- Conferred and selected speakers and back-ups for the event.

Due to Covid-19 and the closure of campus, Authors at Oakland, scheduled for March 11, 2020, was canceled. Speakers, invited for the interest of their topics to a general, academic audience, were Danielle Ligocki on *The Drama of Reality Television: Lives of Youth in Liquid Modern Times*, and Graham Cassano and Jessica Payette on *Eleanor Smith's Hull House Songs: The Music of Protest and Hope in Jane Addams's Chicago*.

The Frank Lepkowski Undergraduate Research in Writing Award recognizes up to two students who have most successfully integrated library resources, discovered through their own research, in a course paper or project. The 2019-2020 first place recipient was junior Daniella Kenwell, and second place was senior Kari Strum.

Many thanks go to David Stewart (OUWB Library); Sarah Butash and Rob Burns of Library Technical Services; and to Kath Borg, Executive Secretary of OU Libraries, for their preparation for our unrealized event.

“Library Services for You”

This series of short presentations from OU Libraries faculty aims to increase awareness of OU Libraries services and resources to support OU faculty and students across campus.

Date	Librarian	Topic
10/4/19	Asst. Prof. Joanna Thielen, Research Data Librarian, Librarian for Biological Sciences, Chemistry, and Physics	“Reading Scholarly Articles: A Self-Enrollable e-Course” , which helps students describe the kinds of information encountered in an article, its organization, and strategies for reading these articles meaningfully. The e-Course, developed by Thielen and Assoc. Prof. Amanda Nichols Hess, has been peer-reviewed and evaluated by the Peer-Reviewed Instructional Materials Database of the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL).
11/11/19	Assoc. Prof. Julia Rodriguez	Affordable Course Materials Initiative

Kresge Library Updates

In consultation with the Committee Chair, Interim Dean Mariela Hristova delivered regular and timely updates from on topics related to University Libraries’ services to its campus community, including:

- the search for the new dean of University Libraries following the retirement of Stephen Weiter;
- the Library Advocacy Board;
- the change in Kresge Library’s Research Help Services to remote and on-call services;

- the Second Floor South Space Planning Task Force, to collect data from the University community to create recommendations for reconfiguring and improving Kresge's 2nd floor;
- Preservation grant awarded by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) to support environmental control of Archives and Special Collections;
- and the search to fill the vacancy of Research Data Librarian.