Pepperdine celebrates renovated main library

Pepperdine University’s Payson Library reopened last fall after a 15-month, $22.4 million renovation. Influenced by Spanish Revival architecture, the new building design honors tradition while addressing 21st-century needs for digital integration and flexibility to accommodate diverse learning styles. The new additions range from a high-tech makerspace to expanded study areas that seamlessly integrate traditional setups with more informal seating configurations. Responding to environmental concerns, motion-sensor LED lighting reduces power usage, as does a NEH grant-funded sustainable preservation and storage system for Special Collections and Archives.

The service goals of openness and accessibility also provided key inspiration for the design. Since reopening, Payson Library has nearly doubled its daily gate count and now draws more than 3,000 people a day.

ACRL Policy Statement on Open Access to Scholarship by Academic Librarians draft revision feedback

The ACRL Research and Scholarly Environment Committee (ReSEC) is seeking community input on proposed revisions to the ACRL Policy Statement on Open Access to Scholarship by Academic Librarians, approved by the ACRL Board of Directors at the 2016 ALA Annual Conference. The policy statement was initially developed by ReSEC with feedback from members and the broader community, then vetted by the ACRL Standards Committee. After approval of the statement by ACRL, discussions suggested that a broader definition of scholarship would be embraced by the community. Feedback in 2017 from the Library Publishing Coalition Forum, in particular, recommended that products across the lifecycle of scholarship ought to be included more explicitly in the statement.

ReSEC is proposing revisions to make a more inclusive and forceful case for openness across all types of scholarship and scholarly products, and to provide a model for citation. As scholarship is a dynamic enterprise, ever changing in its goals and methods, ReSEC views the statement as a living document, subject to further changes with the future evolution of scholarship. Please review the draft revision on the ACRL website at www.ala.org/acrl/standards and send feedback by July 1, 2018, to Steven Harris (stevenharris@unr.edu).

Temple’s new library to be named for Steve Charles

Temple University’s new library will be named Charles Library in recognition of a $10 million gift from entrepreneur and univ-
ACRL announces the publication of *Shaping the Campus Conversation on Student Learning and Experience: Activating the Results of Assessment in Action*. This publication provides, in a single and comprehensive work, the story of ACRL’s Assessment in Action (AiA) program—the context surrounding its development, findings of the team-based assessment projects, insights about the program results, reflections about its impact, and recommendations for future directions. AiA was a multiyear professional development program that ran from 2013 to 2016, funded in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and in partnership with the Association for Institutional Research and the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities. A central part of the ACRL Value of Academic Libraries initiative, it engaged more than 200 higher education institutions, generating evidence of library impact and advancing library leadership and evidence-based advocacy.

In three sections—Results, Reflections, and Advancing Assessment to the Future—as well as 11 appendices of supporting material about the development and execution of the program, *Shaping the Campus Conversation on Student Learning and Experience* paints a vivid picture of the thinking that went into creating AiA, the results of the individual projects, the impact on participating teams, and the broader importance for the profession. While designed to capture the stories and successes of AiA, the book also provides effective strategies for applying the AiA findings and helping academic librarians develop assessments that result in meaningful impacts on their own campuses, using these assessments to better tell the story of the contributions libraries make.

*Shaping the Campus Conversation on Student Learning and Experience* serves anyone seeking to activate the results of the AiA program: academic librarians new to assessment; libraries that have ongoing assessment programs and are looking for new directions or ideas for expanding their efforts; librarians demonstrating to campus administrators the library’s impact on student learning and success; campus assessment officers and higher education administrators; and library and information science faculty and scholars.

*Shaping the Campus Conversation on Student Learning and Experience: Activating the Results of Assessment in Action* is available for purchase in print and as an ebook through the ALA Online Store; in print through Amazon.com; and by telephone order at (866) 746-7252 in the United States or (770) 442-8633 for international customers.

University trustee Steve Charles. Charles’s gift, one of the largest individual contributions in Temple history, will be invested into an endowment to provide perpetual funding for Temple Libraries to attract and retain high-quality faculty and staff; maintain and enhance Charles Library; promote community outreach, partnerships, and public programs; purchase and preserve materials and collections; and support technology and innovation.

Charles Library, set to open in May 2019, will feature technology such as high-perfor-
mance computation that supports advanced research. It will also include a space-saving automated book retrieval system that will store most of the library’s volumes and create more space for collaboration.

**GPO completes Federal Register digitization**

The U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) and the National Archives’ Office of the Federal Register have digitized every issue of the Federal Register, dating back to the first one published in 1936. A total of 14,587 individual issues, which is nearly 2 million pages, has been digitized. The first issue of the Federal Register came off GPO presses on March 14, 1936. President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued the first document, an executive order, to be published. The Federal Register is the official daily publication for rules, proposed rules, and notices of federal agencies and organizations, as well as executive orders and other presidential documents. It is updated daily by 6 a.m. and is published Monday through Friday, except federal holidays, in both digital and print editions. The complete Federal Register from 1936 to the present is now available digitally on GPO’s govinfo at www.govinfo.gov/app/collection/FR.

**OU Libraries Western History Collections names 2018 fellows**

The University of Oklahoma Libraries Western History Collections selection committee has awarded five research fellowships for summer 2018. Three new fellowship categories support research residencies in the Western History Collections and are designed to connect researchers to the collections’ archival, print, and visual resources. Learn more about the fellows and their research projects at http://bit.ly/WHCfellows2018. Applications for summer 2019 fellowships are welcome through January 15, 2019, for the Masterson Fellowship, and March 25, 2019, for the Haley and Dale Fellowships.

**CLIR names 2018 Mellon Dissertation Fellows**

Fifteen graduate students have been selected to receive awards this year under the Mellon Fellowships for Dissertation Research in Original Sources program, administered through the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR). Each year, CLIR selects students who are near the completion of doctoral study and whose research projects promise to provide original insights into the history of ideas or institutions. Scholars are selected based on the substance and quality of their research projects and their potential to contribute to Scholarship in the History of Ideas.

**ACRL sets 2018 Legislative Agenda**

Each year, the ACRL Government Relations Committee, in consultation with the ACRL Board of Directors and staff, formulates an ACRL Legislative Agenda. Drafted with input from key ACRL committees, ACRL leaders, and the ALA Washington Office, the ACRL Legislative Agenda is prioritized and focuses on issues at the national level affecting the welfare of academic and research libraries. The ACRL Board of Directors recently approved the 2018 ACRL Legislative Agenda.

The 2018 ACRL Legislative Agenda focuses on ten issues that the U.S. Congress has recently taken, or will most likely take, action on in the year ahead: Federal Funding Issues Affecting Libraries; Network Neutrality; Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals; Access to Federally Funded Research; PROSPER Act; Affordable College Textbook Act; Open, Permanent, Electronic, and Necessary Government Data Act; Federal Depository Library Program; Marrakesh Treaty Implementation Act; and Government Surveillance.

Customarily, the Government Relations Committee places on the Watch List those issues that are not included in the Legislative Agenda because there is no relevant legislation pending or no legislation is necessary. In writing the 2017–18 Agenda, however, all the issues of primary concern, as identified by the committee, had pending legislation at the time of publication and were, therefore, placed on the agenda. Consequently, for this year, at least, there is no Watch List.
by the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR). The fellowships are intended to help graduate students in the humanities and related social science fields pursue research wherever relevant sources are available; gain skill and creativity in using primary source materials in libraries, archives, museums, and related repositories; and provide suggestions to CLIR about how such source materials can be made more accessible and useful. The fellowships carry stipends of up to $25,000 each to support dissertation research for periods ranging from nine-to-twelve months. Complete information is available at www.clir.org/fellowships/mellon/.

**EBSCO FOLIO Innovation Challenge second round winners**

EBSCO Information Services (EBSCO) is providing grants to four academic libraries as part of the EBSCO FOLIO Innovation Challenge. The grant program is awarding up to $100,000 in grants to libraries to develop innovative technology solutions that address the challenges academic libraries face. The second round’s winning proposals came from the University of Alabama (UA), the University of Illinois-Urbana Champaign (UIUC), Johns Hopkins University (JHU), and Lehigh University (LU). UA has plans to create data collection, reporting, and analysis tools designed to support the core reporting module for FOLIO; UIUC will share the innovative work they have done with their kiosk-based wayfinding mobile app with the FOLIO community; JHU will be building out a set of APIs on the FOLIO platform that helps to expose a library’s collection in FOLIO’s Codex data repository; and LU has been working to solve a problem that plagues libraries of all types and will help to bring their Lost Item Application to the FOLIO community.

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Academic libraries often embark on complex projects that span departments and campus units. Redmine, a free and open source web application, allows our library’s IT department to effectively manage multiple projects and sub-projects, tracking issues within those projects, and keeping stakeholders in the loop. A library creates a project in Redmine (which includes additional tools like calendaring and Gantt chart creation) and associates issues with that project. The Issue Tracker allows for issues to be linked to other related issues. You may also set up Watchers, people who have a stake in an issue. Whenever someone updates an issue, the Watchers are notified via email. Redmine is written using the Ruby on Rails framework and, because it is open source, someone in your library’s IT department needs to maintain and update the application.

—Teresa Hazen

*University of Arizona Libraries*

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