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Collection Policy Update

The Library's ambitious project of updating the Collections Policies for all departments has been underway since September 1999. More than two-thirds of department policies have been completed.

It has been 25 years since the existing policy was written. As Todd Mundle, Head of Collections Management, advises "These policies are organic items, not to be cast in stone ... [they] will evolve over time as departments change . Once the majority of this work is done, they will be much easier to update."

In the past, faculty members have been surveyed about their Library service needs. However, a thorough review of their research and information needs from a subject perspective has never been undertaken. The overwhelming majority of feedback to Liaison Librarians has been positive. Faculty have been happy to be consulted, especially when changes were required to bring a profile into line with current teaching and research programs. Opportunities for faculty input will continue throughout the allocation process.

The new policy will be used to update the book purchasing profiles and serve as a basis for the budget reallocation now under way. The end of June 2000 is the target date for a draft budget to be taken to the Senate Library Committee.

The next SFU Library Lecture has been re-scheduled. **Wanda Noel** will discuss "**Learning Technology and Copyright: Implications for Educators**", Wednesday, May 10, at 3 p.m. in Room 7200 of the WAC Bennett Library.

To register, call Sylvia Roberts, 291-3681 or email sroberts@sfu.ca.

Lynn Copeland, University Librarian, introduces Advancement Librarian Ralph Stanton to Roch Carrier, Canada's new National Librarian. During his inaugural visit to British Columbia, Carrier consulted SFU Library managers about current issues in Canadian academic libraries.

Significant Additions

The library's continued focus on access brings significant research tools to the SFU community: **CIHM**, an Early Canadiana microfiche collection, and a campus-wide site license for **GIS software.**

Primary materials in Early Canadian history

CIHM (Canadian Institute for Historical Microreproduction) gives researchers quick and easy access to a major collection of primary materials on Early Canadiana. Spanning three and a half centuries of Canadian development, CIHM contains more than 65,000 items and is an essential resource for scholarly research in many different disciplines, including North American native peoples studies, religion and philosophy, genealogy and local history, and French Canadian language and literature.

Funded by the Library endowment income, the CIHM purchase includes catalogue records for the individual fiche, a supplement of 5,000 items and online access to a section of the collection. This full-text online collection, Early Canadiana Online (ECO), contains more than 3,000 books and pamphlets documenting Canadian history from the first European contact to the late 19th century. The collection is particularly strong in literature, women's history, native studies, travel and exploration, and the history of French Canada.

Possible future purchases for this collection include pre-1900 serials and

1900-1920 materials. The collection will be available starting in summer 2000, housed in the 6th floor microform collection area. CIHM documents will be individually searchable in the Library catalogue.

Access to GIS now campus-wide

Geographic information system (GIS) analysis, widely used in departments such as Geography and Criminology, gains broader applicability across campus, thanks to the Library's new site license for two GIS software programs, **ArcView GIS 3.2** and **ArcInfo 8**, from ESRI. The VP Academic, Jock Munro, the Library and several SFU departments have funded the cost of a two-year license to the software. The Library will distribute the software within SFU through our **Maps/Data/GIS** unit, formerly known as the Research Data Library (RDL). Departmental labs already offering these programs will have access to additional modules and the latest versions.

ArcView can be downloaded onto campus workstations directly from the Maps/Data/GIS website. ArcInfo will be loaded mainly in labs. Both will be available on workstations in the Maps/Data/GIS room on the 7th floor of the Bennett Library. ArcView, for the desktop, is designed to interact with GIS data that has already been created while ArcInfo, a professional level system, is designed to develop GIS data. A selection of add-on modules for ArcView and all modules for ArcInfo are included in the license.

The ESRI license marks an expansion of Maps/Data/GIS's primary role of data collection to that of access. Walter Piovesan, Head of Maps/Data/GIS, notes "in the past the RDL has offered a lot of geocoded data but not an easy way for it to be used campus-wide." The Maps/Data/GIS unit will continue to expand the kind of data collected and will become more directly involved in access issues. For further information or assistance, check out <http://www.sfu.ca/rdl/GIS/gis.html> or contact Walter Piovesan (walter@sfu.ca/ 291-5869).

Belzberg Library Supports New TIME Centre

The TIME (Technology, Innovation, Management and Entrepreneurship) Centre is located on the 7th floor of the Spencer building at Harbour Centre. It is SFU's interface with the information technology sector of B.C. with a mission to support research, teaching and innovation in technology and management by building and sustaining long-term collaborative partnerships with industry. The high-tech and intense research orientation of the Centre creates a much stronger mandate for the Library to support the needs of faculty and researchers.
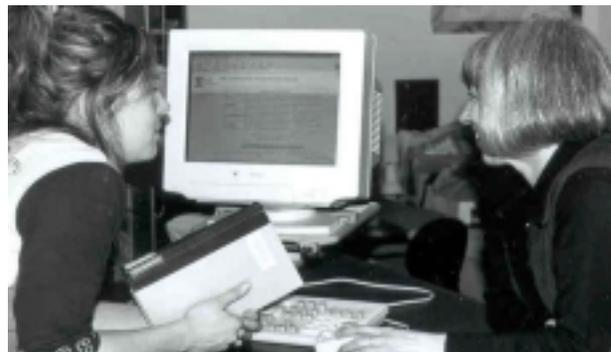
Karen Marotz, Head of Belzberg Library, has been planning for this expansion, particularly in the areas of liaison, resources, access, and orientations. Since October, Marotz has contacted all programs housed at the Centre to determine the type of information they see as vital to their research. At times, initial discussions became an opportunity to show researchers online resources of which they were unaware.

To support TIME Centre programs, such as the Object Technology Program and the Management of Technology MBA, Belzberg is expanding their collection in high tech and the management of technology. The increased availability of full-text databases and the delivery of materials from the Burnaby campus enable many researchers to access resources from their desktop but some resources are available only through the library network. To provide access to these, a workstation has recently been installed in the 7th floor TIME Business Centre.

For more information on resources and services, or to inquire about orientations, contact Karen Marotz (marotz@sfu.ca / 291-5054).

Is my article here yet?

Users can now check the status of interlibrary loan (ILL) requests placed after December 15, 1999 from the Library's web page. Users can view "Active" or "Closed" requests and can easily cancel Active requests. In addition, undergraduates will now be notified by email when their articles are ready to pick up. Graduate students and faculty will continue to receive their photocopies through campus mail.

The implementation of a new ILL Management System made these automated end-user services possible. The new system streamlines operations and provides statistics for analysis and planning. With more than 20,000 ILL requests per year, staff now have more time for difficult requests that need to be handled manually.

For more information or to inquire about the status of outstanding requests, contact the Interlibrary Loan office at 291-3625 or visit ILL on the main floor of the Bennett Library.

Recent Donations

The Library has received over 500 books and journals, from the personal collection of **Dr. William Kaye Lamb,** former University Librarian at UBC, Dominion Archivist, and first National Librarian, donated by his daughter Elizabeth Hawkins of Vancouver. Lamb's distinguished career was not limited to archival and librarianship work. He was also an historian, editor, and scholar. "His scholarly work is marked by great exactitude and this is reflected in his book collection" observes Ralph Stanton, Advancement Librarian.

Within the pages of this collection of standard Canadian history books are Lamb's personal, and sometimes extensive, notations. The *British Columbia Historical Quarterly,* which Lamb founded and edited until 1946, is interleaved with a number of manuscript letters

and notes relevant to B.C. history. As Stanton notes, "This type of personalization adds much value to the collection."

A small yet important group of books are from the **private press of Robert R. Reid**. Lamb suggested significant titles to Reid to reprint. SFU Library's collection now includes F. G. Claudet's *Gold*, *The Lee Journal*, and *Fraser Mines Vindicated*, the first of Reid's private press books and the first non-governmental book printed in B.C.

Reid later published, at the University of Montreal Press, a very large and important Canadian bibliography, *The Lawrence Lande Collection of Canadiana in the Redpath Library of McGill University*, which some consider among the most beautiful books ever published in Canada. SFU received one of only 75 copies hand bound in full leather.

John Keenlyside, Chair of Friends of the Library, donated an unusual and important collection of **Doukhobor** materials. This single donation provides the Library with most of the major works on the Doukhobors in Russian and English. The collection includes monographs, manuscripts, ephemera, and photographs of Doukhobor history from the 1880's to modern time. Of special note is the principal journal of the Doukhobor people, *Iskra* (1943-1998), the early issues of which are quite rare. Journals of various Doukhobor organizations are also included.

Manuscript items include circulars and letters from the Doukhobor spiritual leader, Peter "The Lordly" Verigin and documents relating to important political issues of the Doukhobors. A panoramic photograph depicts Verigin's 1924 burial ceremony in Brilliant, B.C.

This donation comes from a two-part collection. The Library is pursuing the second, slightly smaller grouping. To donate used or rare books or other material to the library, contact Ralph Stanton (stanton@sfu.ca / 291-5946).

The generosity of **Carl Schwarz** (Mathematics and Statistics) has inspired a new donation process whereby faculty can use their Professional Development Reimbursement (PDR) dollars to fund a journal for the Library's collection. Schwarz's funding supports a five-year subscription to *The Journal of Agricultural, Biological, and Environmental Statistics*. Schwarz also donated backfiles of the same journal (1996-1998).

Prior to Schwarz's donation, "no one had suggested using PDR funds this way", notes Todd Mundle, Head of Collections Management. Many faculty members have expressed interest in donating their personal subscriptions on an annual basis to the Library. However, publishers rarely allow individuals to transfer a personal rate subscription to an institution. Using PDR money to cover the institutional price gives faculty members an opportunity to provide access to a journal the Library might not otherwise be able to afford.

The process is easy for both Library and faculty. A donation capable of supporting the journal subscription for five years, including an average annual inflationary rise, is required. For more information on this donation procedure contact Todd Mundle (tmundle@sfu.ca / 291-3263).

SFU Library at the Awards Ceremony

Library staff achievements in liaison services and information technology were formally recognized at the February 18th SFU Awards Ceremony.

Jack Corse, Liaison Librarian for Sociology and Anthropology, Criminology, Political Science, and History, is the co-winner of SFU's 1999 **Staff Achievement Award**. Corse has contributed to SFU Library services for over 20 years and still loves his job. He received impressive support for the nomination through his enthusiasm for each individual's research questions. Corse is also known for his drive to integrate new technology in his work and share that knowledge with students and faculty.

On behalf of the Library, Kristina Long, Library Systems Division, accepted the 1999 **Canadian Association of College and University Libraries (CACUL) Innovation Achievement Award** for the development of the GODOT and SLRI software. GODOT is a serials holdings and document requesting module. SLRI provides a web-based search interface to electronic indexes that previously had a proprietary text-based interface.

Now used in over 20 libraries in Western Canada, the combined software allows students and faculty to search in a

database or library catalogue, find a needed article or book, and, if it's not owned by SFU Library, request it directly from over 40 libraries across Canada. Requesting directly reduces the processing time, giving the libraries the ability to get materials more quickly into the hands of students and faculty.

Liaison Librarians

SFU **Liaison Librarians** serve as information specialists for each academic department at SFU. As well as providing traditional reference desk services, they communicate with departments regarding Library resources, services and policies, provide library research instruction, create handouts and web-based information guides, and manage the collections budget for their departments. Contact your Liaison Librarian to learn more.

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New Information Desk

Renovations to create a new Information Desk on the 6th floor have begun. The Information Desk will be located in the Periodical Reading Room, next to 16 computer workstations. A quiet reading area will be created at the end of the room, close to newspapers and current journals.

Opening May 2000, the goal of the Information Desk is "to provide an integrated, expanded service point at the users' point of need" says Sylvia Roberts, Head of the Library's Information Services Unit. The new Information Desk will be staffed 9:00 to 5:00, Monday through Friday, by service-oriented staff who bring expertise from throughout the library. This staff will help library patrons find specific books and journal articles, search databases, capture search results, and use the microform collection.

The Information Desk will complement the in-depth subject specific help provided at the 3rd floor Reference Desk. The first year of service will be a pilot project "to ensure that the service is effective and the hours work well for library users" notes Roberts.

Electronic Resources Librarian

Patty Gallilee, Serials Supervisor / Electronic Resources Librarian, replaces Wayne Taylor who retired at the end of 1999. Gallilee comes to the SFU Library Processing Division from the University of Regina. Gallilee will spearhead the implementation of the new automated serials module and will work with Library Systems to facilitate access to an Electronic Journals Database.

For general research enquiries:	
"Ask a Librarian"	libask@sfu.ca
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Reference Desk (Belzberg Library, Harbour Centre)	291-5051