Newsletter
Scholarly Information Services

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KEEP CALM WE'RE BACK

Thanks again to everyone in ANU for their support. And to everyone in SIS a very well done.

From HR

Professional Staff Scholarship Scheme (PSSS) and the Professional Staff Development Endowment Fund (PSDEF) Applications for Round 1 2018 of the PSSS and PSDEF are now open with a closing date of Friday, 20 April 2018 at 5:00pm. In addition to this, the University has implemented the enhanced provisions for the Professional Staff Development Scheme (PSSS) for Round 1 2018. These enhanced provisions, as outlined in clause 47 of *The Australian National University Enterprise Agreement 2017-2021*, effective now our new Enterprise Agreement has been approved by the Fair Work Commission. More information on the PSSS can be found here

Please contact HRD.Development@anu.edu.au if you would like to seek more information about the application process.
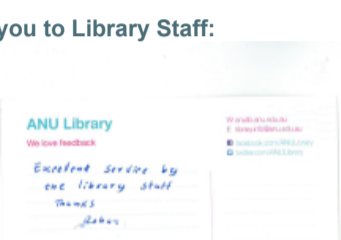
SIS NEWS

For your diary:

SIS ALL STAFF MEETING:
Thursday, 29 March 2018 10:00 AM-11:00 AM
Mc Donald Room

University Research Committee. Discussion topics included:
- Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) 2018
- Engagement and Impact Assessment 2018
- Supporting Growth of Category 2 and 3 Income
- University and College Research Plans

Thank you to Library Staff:

![ANU Library note]

CAUL.
- Jenny Ellis has moved to Macquarie University Library, in the role of Executive Information Policy Officer
- Janette Burke, recently interim University Librarian at Monash University, will be joining the University of Tasmania as University Librarian at the end of May

Copyright. No news must be good news!

Chifley Library air quality. I have been advised by Neil Daly from F&S that the new air shows that the Following areas were tested which the results below detectable limits, normal or low:

Floor 2, Computer room area
Floor 2, Room 2.21
Floor 2, Stuff cubby area in hallway
Floor 3, Computer room area, East end
Floor 3, Book shelving area, West end
Floor 4, Book shelving area, East end
Floor 4, Book shelving area, West end

Level 1 rating continues to be 'Elevated to Extremely High.

We can request other areas to be tested. Let me know if you have any suggestions.

HDR Examinations and Thesis Submission Project. Megan Easton is leading this transformational project. Congratulation's – stage 1 is now live. What does that mean? The module consists of changes to the existing 'HDR Milestone Reporting' eForm to allow candidates to update their working thesis title during a milestone and provide information on Open Access and ORCID. Changes have also been made to the existing 'Manage My Degree - HDR' eForm to allow candidates to amend their working thesis details such as working title, working format, abstract and intended submission date.
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New guideline: Data Breach Response Plan. This important document assists in ensuring our compliance with the new legislative requirement.
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Updated Library web page. The Becoming an external borrower page has now been updated. It seeks to inform users about the resources that are and are not available to external borrowers to try to make it easier to handle enquiries/
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Myanmar treasures in Menzies Library. Alice Dawkins volunteered in January to look at our Myanmar backlog – she has published a lovely blogpost . She let us know commenting "Under Amy Chan's supervision, I compiled a spreadsheet with bibliographic data for all the items mentioned in the article. I believe that's in the hands of Menzies staff now and I imagine they will proceed with the cataloguing process in due course. I wanted to thank you most heartily for helping get the volunteering idea off and running for me! It was a great experience to spend my mornings in there before summer course classes. I also know of numerous students with other language abilities who heard about what I was up to and are enthusiastic to help in their areas of expertise." Congratulations to everyone who helped her.

Congratulations to Erin and Stephanie. The grant for the study tour has been awarded to Erin Gallant and Stephanie Luke who will travel to the US to look at Digital scholarship and digitisation activities in a number of leading research universities.

Roxanne Missingham
University Librarian

Events and activities

How to Build a Coherent University Culture on Impact: Taking Digital Communications Seriously.
DATE: 29 March 2018
VENUE: Room 11B56 (Room 56, Level B, Building 11), Kinrari Street , University of Canberra.
Register online

Is Your Research Open Access Ready?: Introducing the Digital OA Style Guide.
DATE: 12 April 2018
VENUE: Common Room, University House.
Register online

Share-it – resource sharing futures conference.
DATE: 10-11 May 2018
VENUE: National Library of Australia, Canberra
Register online

The Future of the scholarly book symposium
DATE: Tuesday 31 July 2018
TIME: 9-5
Where? ANU
Guest speakers include:
Dr. Niels Peter Thomas (Chief Book Strategist, Springer Nature)
J. Stephen Downie, Professor and Associate Dean for Research School of Information Sciences, University of Illinois and codirector of the HathiTrust Research Center
More details will follow in the coming month.

ANDS/RDS/Nectar

Update on developing a 'National Research Data Cloud' for Australian Researchers. The 2016 National Research Infrastructure Roadmap (2016 Roadmap) outlines national research infrastructure required over the coming decade so that Australia's world class research system continues to improve productivity, create jobs, lift economic growth and support a healthy environment. To progress the Digital Data and eResearch Platforms focus area, the Department of Education and Training (the Department) commissioned a review into the development of a National Research Data Cloud (NRDC) National Collaborative Research Infrastructure Strategy (NCRIS) project to meet the research sector's eResearch needs into the future, including integrating and/or refocusing existing ANDS, Nectar and RDS activities. The Reference Group has provided the Department with advice and recommendations on a Future Design for the NRDC. The Future Design Advice is intended to keep Australia at the forefront of global digital infrastructure development and delivery for research, transform the way that data-intensive research is conducted, and facilitate translation between the research and public and private sectors. The Department has accepted the Future Design Advice as one of the key pillars which will underpin the implementation of the NRDC. The high-level and strategic advice it provides allows the flexibility that is critical given key decisions are still to be made, particularly in relation to the Australian Government's Research Infrastructure Investment Plan (RIIP). With the Future Design Advice in mind, the Reference Group has progressed to developing a transition plan aimed at supporting a seamless transition to the NRDC, which is to commence on 1 July 2018, without disrupting the research that relies on the existing ANDS, Nectar and RDS projects. The Reference Group is expected to complete its work by the end of the March 2018. As well as other matters identified in the transition plan, the transition will see the NRDC take up existing ANDS, Nectar and RDS activities. The Department has agreed to the extension and appropriate funding of these activities until 30 June 2019, providing a key underpinning for the seamless transition. Other actions that lead to the establishment of the NRDC from April 2018 will be conducted in line with existing NCRIS Guidelines and funding, and subsequently on the Department's ability to act in the context of the RIIP.

Events

Webinars: Data visualisation - 2 part series

Webinar 1 - Design and Principles - Thur 22 Mar, 13:00 - 14:00 AEDT Register
Webinar 2 - Tools and Techniques - Thur 12 Apr, 13:00 - 14:00 AEDT Register

Webinar 1 - Design and Principles - will help you have a more critical and appreciative eye when viewing both your own visualisations and those of others, while Webinar 2 - Tools and Techniques - will investigate a number of open source tools and libraries for data visualisation.

Webinar series: Data visualisation: #2 - tools and techniques

ANU Press & open access

New ANU Press Music imprint. This very exciting development was the topic of a seminar by Dr Kim Cunio. It will combine new scholarship and digital delivery in a very exciting way.
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Pathways to OA. Newly released -
a toolkit prepared by the University of California Libraries that will be used to help guide their decision-making in redirecting library funds to support open access (OA). It was endorsed by the UC Council of University Librarians (CoUL) on 27 February 2018. It will assist campus libraries and the California Digital Library with individual and, where appropriate, collective decision-making about which OA strategies, possible next steps, or experiments to pursue in order to achieve large-scale transition to OA.
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Open access at the University of Oxford. On 1st March 2018, the University of Oxford Open Access Publications Policy (pdf) was approved by Research & Innovation Committee. Key points:
- The University of Oxford academic community wishes to ensure the widest possible access to its world-class research. The value and utility of research outputs increases the more broadly they are available to be considered and used by others. A core component of this is open access (OA).
- The University continues to support the academic freedom of its authors (academics, researchers, staff and students) to publish where they choose.

PeerJ Waives APCs and Pivots Again. Did you think the financial models for open access publishing were settled? Well think again. Phil Davis looks at PeerJ's new approach – noting their growth had slowed significantly – asking "After five years, one wonders how long investors are going to remain patient with PeerJ and whether this is PeerJ's final pivot?".
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The 'restricting choice of publication' threat. Danny takes us on a journey – "When you work in the open access space, language matters. It is very easy to distract the academic community from the actual discussion at hand and we are seeing an example of this right now. The emerging narrative seems to be that open access policies, and specifically the UK Scholarly Communication Licence (UKSCL), are going to threaten academics' ability to choose where they publish...The UK-SCL Policy Summary is explicitly "an open access policy mechanism which ensures researchers can retain re-use rights in their own work, they retain copyright and they **retain the freedom to publish in the journal of their choice** (assigning copyright to the publisher if necessary)"... so there publishers
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Great review of Nic Maclellan on Nuclear Weapons Testing. World Policy Journal in the United States has published a long interview about the book.
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Research Shows That Published Versions Of Papers In Costly Academic Titles Add Almost Nothing To The Freely-Available Preprints They Are Based On from the all-that-glitters-is-not-gold dept. Glyn Moody writes with a new challenge and offers the following "In theory, gold open access offers "better" quality texts than green open access, which supposedly justifies the higher cost of the former. What the research shows is that when it comes to academic publishing, as in many other spheres, all that glitters is not gold: humble preprints turn out to be almost identical to the articles later published in big-name journals, but available sooner, and much more cheaply."
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![EAST ASIA FORUM Quarterly - Why ASEAN matters]

![HYBRIDITY ON THE GROUND IN PEACEBUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT - CRITICAL CONSIDERATIONS]

Open research

New in the repository:
- The Role of ni-Vanuatu Team Leaders in Seasonal Worker Programs
- Food Security in the Torricelli Foothills of Papua New Guinea: Can Sago Continue to Sustain the Increasing Population?
- The UN Ocean Conference Regional Preparatory Meeting and its Implications for Pacific Islands Countries: Some Observations
- Evolving Labour Mobility Relationships through Mutual Cultural Understandings
- Pacific Island Countries, China & Sustainable Development Goals Part 1: Making the Most of Chinese Aid
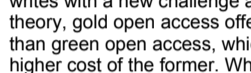
What's new in scholcomm

New economy a financial boon. Re:Create Coalition finds that 14.8 million independent, American creators earned a baseline of almost $6 billion from posting their music, videos, art, crafts and other works online in 2016. The research is only a snapshot of the entire New Creative Economy, analyzing just some of the biggest online platforms: Amazon Publishing, eBay, Etsy, Instagram, Shapeways, Tumblr, Twitch, WordPress and YouTube.
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The right to be forgotten. Based on a survey of Association of Research Libraries (ARL) member institutions on practices and policies surrounding takedown requests in openly accessible digital collections...drumroll "At a bird's eye view, the answers provided in this survey prove that to date, there are no clear answers for digital librarians in the real world and often a lack of clearly defined practices in regards to takedown requests. Often, the response to an individual's takedown requests come from one practitioner, reflecting their point of view, and not that of a clearly defined policy or practice."
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The hidden costs of research assessment exercises: the curious case of Australia. Ksenia Sawczak from the University of Canberra gives her thoughtful insights.
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IFLA's Global Vision report summary launched. The IFLA President's Meeting 2018 was the venue for the launch. The report reveals important insights into the views of over 31,000 participants from 213 countries and territories and across all seven continents. Overwhelmingly, the most important key finding from the global vision discussion is the discovery that we are globally united in our goals.
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![Global Vision Report Summary]

Data Science in Libraries Project. A report from this Museum and Library Studies (IMLS) funded project which looks at data science in libraries is now available. It explores the challenges associated with implementing data science within diverse library environments by examining two specific perspectives framed as 'the skills gap,' i.e. where librarians are perceived to lack the technical skills to be effective in a data-rich research environment; and 'the management gap,' i.e. the ability of library managers to understand and value the benefits of in-house data science skills and to provide organizational and managerial support.

Why Academic-Led Journal Publishing? Liberating Research through Tools and Services. Scholastica's latest post is worth reading.
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Value of Academic Libraries blog. One of our favourite topics, building on ARL's great work in this area.
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Public Knowledge Project. A new report has been released covering both the opportunities and challenges that PKP faces as an academic-led project trying to bring open source and community-based solutions for scholarly communications and open access. It also outlines the actions that PKP intends to take as it continues to operate. You will know them as the creators of OJS.
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SPARC continues to promote open access. Their 2018 plan is now online.
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