

**Council on the Libraries
Annual Report 2010-2011**

Meetings

The Council on the Libraries met six times during the academic year. Meetings took place on October 5, 2010, November 2, 2010, January 4, 2011, February 1, 2011, April 12, 2011, and May 10, 2011.

Membership

Faculty

Sharon E. Bickel, Associate Professor of Biological Sciences, and Graduate Molecular and Cellular Biology [On leave: 2012-2011]

Seth A. Brooks, Research Associate Professor of Medicine (Connective Tissue Disease)

Vladimir Chernov, Associate Professor of Mathematics

Richard D'Aveni, Professor of Strategic Management, Tuck School of Business

James Dorsey, Associate Professor of Asian and Middle Eastern Languages and Literatures [On leave 2010-2011]

Lisa Fleischer, Associate Professor of Computer Sciences [substitute for Sharon Bickel, 2012-2011]

Robert Graves, Krehbiel Professor, Thayer School of Engineering

Matissa Hollister, Associate Professor of Sociology

Douglas A. Irwin, Chair, Council on the Libraries, Professor of Economics

Hussein N. Kadhim, Associate Professor of Asian and Middle Eastern Languages and Literatures

Klaus Mladek, Assistant Professor of German Studies [substitute for James Dorsey, 2010-2011]

Undergraduate Student Representatives

John Erdmann '12

Matthew Forman '11

Ex Officio Members

Carol Folt, Provost; and The Dartmouth Professor of Biological Studies
Jeffrey Horrell, Dean of the Libraries and Librarian of the College
Ellen Waite-Franzen, Vice President of Information Technology/CIO
Inge-Lise Ameer, Associate Dean of the College for Student Support Services

Invited Guests

Elizabeth Kirk, Associate Librarian for Information Resources
Cynthia Pawlek, Deputy Librarian and Associate Librarian for User Services
David Seaman, Associate Librarian for Information Management

Support Staff

Julie Blain, Assistant to the Dean of Libraries

Activities

This report offers a brief overall of the Council's activities. For more detailed minutes of the meetings, see www.dartmouth.edu/~library/col. At its October meeting, the Council sets the agenda for the year and agrees upon meeting dates. The subjects addressed at the meetings included the following topics.

Augmenting the Collections

Over the past academic year, the Council discussed various ways in which the library has augmented its collections.

First, Harvard University and MIT have agreed to join Borrow Direct. This will give Dartmouth Library users much easier access to those large collections. Dartmouth joined Borrow Direct around 2000 when there were 80,000 transactions per year, while now there are 144,000 per year. Harvard and MIT are expected to participate in Borrow Direct by the fall of 2011.

Second, Dartmouth, through the support of the Provost's Office, made a major acquisition—the retrospective digital collections in sciences. The digital collection greatly expands access of early and current health and science periodicals, early 19th century books, and other materials. In particular, the electronic backfile in scholarly scientific journals is a major asset and addition to the collections.

Third, Dartmouth now participates in the HathiTrust. Currently more than 2 million books are accessible through HathiTrust, available through Summons on the Library

website. Books can be downloaded as pdf files and the titles may become available directly through the catalog as well.

Spaces

There were several major changes regarding library spaces that came up over the past year.

First, with the movement of the Biology Department into the new Life Sciences Building, consideration is being given to plans for the Gilman building and the Dana Biomedical Library.

Second, the Main Hall of Baker Library received a makeover in the spring of 2011. New seating and carpets have made the once dormant area a popular place for students, faculty, and staff to meet, read, and relax. The News Room has been configured into an eating/meeting area, with coffee and snacks now provided by King Arthur Flour. Finally, the reference area is being reconfigured with new study space and work area for students.

Other Topics

Other topics for discussion included the Library budget, off-campus storage, the role of preservation, and the integration of the Rauner Library collection into research and teaching.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Chair of the Council, 2010-2011