

Poster Presentations

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Approaching the Communication Planning and Project Management Competencies of GovDocs Projects

- **Jim Walther, Assistant Professor, Library and Info Management, Emporia State University**

This poster will combine the fundamental aspects of project management charting and communication models needed to increase the effectiveness in the work of Government document librarianship. By visiting the poster, conference attendees will acquire understanding of the elements of project management techniques matched with team leadership and walk away better prepared to apply project management concepts in their document collections.

Specific applications include the following:

- Developing appropriate charting and timelines.
- Learning about the tools and techniques for managing high performance teams.
- Familiarizing oneself with the stages in the project cycle.
- Identifying the common pitfalls in library projects.
- Exploring innovative integration of best practices and developing new skill competencies.
- Monitoring process and activities.
- Communicating effectively.
- Reporting project status and performance measures to stakeholders.
- Delivering lasting results/payoff/value to your library.

Celebrating 135 Years in the Federal Depository Library Program at the University of Mississippi Libraries

- **Ashley S. Dees, Research & Instruction Librarian/Regional Depository Coordinator, University of Mississippi**

In 2018, the University of Mississippi Libraries celebrated 135 years in the FDLP. The libraries chose to use this anniversary as a way to further promote the collection and services to the on-campus community and the wider North Mississippi community. This was done through creative promotional materials and a series of eight programs centered on topics such as Congress.gov, FOIA, citizenship, and more. Promotional materials and programming were made possible by a grant UM Libraries received from the Mississippi Humanities Council.

Curating Government Information to Facilitate Access to Justice

- **Michael Samson, Digital Interface Services Librarian, Wayne State University, Arthur Neef Law Library**

The vast amounts of law-related content uploaded daily to Government websites reflect the growing preference for electronic information among Federal depository libraries. Yet, discovering and accessing this information can be particularly challenging for individuals who are unfamiliar with our legislative, judicial, and administrative systems. This interactive poster

illustrates how digital tools can be used to curate Government/legal information to facilitate more meaningful access by a community of users. Examples highlight how blogs, alert services, and others can help identify, contextualize, and share the most relevant information from web-based Government sources to facilitate access to justice.

Data-Scraping Government Statistics (For the Coding-Challenged)

- **Carl Olson, Research and Instruction Librarian, Towson University**

Statistical data from the Federal Government is published by almost every agency, in a multiplicity of formats and levels of interactivity. While the Census Bureau's data is in easy reach, other agencies still publish a great deal in PDF or HTML format, requiring either laborious data entry or high-level Python-scripting. This poster presents several easy ways to acquire Government data for library users requiring little or no computer coding.

Diverse FDLP Academy Webinars: Geographical Distribution of Registrants

- **Jane Canfield, Coordinator of Government Documents Information Center, Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico**
- **Dallas E. Alston, PhD, Department of Biology, Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico**

This poster highlights the geographic distribution of registrants during selected FDLP Academy webinars. In particular, the webinars in the “Science Soup” series are highlighted and analyzed for participation among geographical regions. Also, maps highlight the geographical distribution among the registrants and emphasize regions to be evaluated to increase the number of webinar participants. Various GIS techniques are used to develop the maps for this poster. The presentation includes a short paper analyzing the data obtained during this project.

Earth Day Festivals: Opportunity Knocks

- **Patricia Kenly, Business Reference Librarian and Government Documents Coordinator, Georgia Institute of Technology**
- **Bette Finn, Electrical & Computer Engineering & GTRI Librarian**

Partnering with a campus unit (or city/county staff) in Facilities, Sustainability, or Recycling (or similar initiatives) positions the Library as an integral part of the campus (or county) and maximizes the opportunity to share Federal Government information on the environment. Each year, the Georgia Tech campus hosts a festival celebrating Earth Day. The annual event has more than 50 exhibitors – including the EPA and the Tesla dealer - and draws a crowd from the community and elementary school children on field trips. The Georgia Tech Library has been an exhibitor for 10 years. The Government Documents Coordinator coordinates the booth and staffs it in collaboration with other subject librarians to promote the Library’s services. And yet it’s much more than a display for five hours – an online research guide for Earth Day was

developed (and is frequently updated), and brochures listing key environmental resources were distributed. A detailed list of tips are provided, as well as a list of lessons learned. Libraries that wish to participate in these inexpensive yet successful events may find these ideas and suggestions of use.

FDLP LibGuides Community Page

- **Melissa Fairfield, Outreach Planning Specialist, LSCM, GPO**
- **Kathy Carmichael, Outreach Librarian, LSCM, GPO**
- **Cori Holder, Web Content Specialist, LSCM, GPO**

This poster provides an overview of the content on the FDLP LibGuides Community Page. The poster lists current guides which have been shared by members of the FDLP Community to demonstrate the variety of topics available on this site. The poster also features subjects the LibGuides team would like to add to the guides, as well requesting input from the community for new subjects which should be added to the guides.

Government Documents & Special Collections: Opportunities for Collaboration

- **Megan Wagner, Government Documents Librarian, CSU Fullerton**

This poster explores collaborative library instruction best practices between Government Documents and Special Collections at CSU Fullerton's Pollak Library. In particular, it examines joint-led library instruction sessions, displays, and outreach opportunities with a focus on primary sources. Sessions aim to provide an archival "white glove" experience, while connecting Government documents, first-hand accounts, and political ephemera in University Archives & Special Collections as part of a constellation of primary source inquiry.

Help All Your Patrons with FTC's Free Consumer Resources

- **Carol Kando-Pineda, Counsel/Project Manager, Federal Trade Commission**

You probably serve a lot of different patrons and communities. You may be fielding questions related to consumer issues, like managing money and credit, dealing with debt, or avoiding scams and identity theft. The Federal Trade Commission is a Federal agency with broad authority to protect and empower consumers. The FTC has resources to use in your programming -- gathered in one curated list for librarians. FTC staff will walk through the materials created for specific populations: older patrons, Spanish-speakers, people with challenges reading English, people who have just arrived in this country, job-seekers, service members and their families, people who are incarcerated or reentering the community, or kids and teens. Learn about the free content, videos, slides and talking points, worksheets, bookmarks and other handouts, as well as incorporating consumer tips into existing programs or creating a calendar of consumer protection events.

One Scoop at a Time: Reaching Out and Introducing Government Publications to the Students in the Atlanta University Center

- **Jacquelyn E. Daniel, Coordinator, AUC-Robert W. Woodruff Library**

This poster illustrates numerous outreach and instructional programs presented by the Government documents coordinator in Robert W. Woodruff library-Atlanta University Center. The library, established in 1982, serves the instructional, information, and research needs of member institutions of the world's largest and oldest consortium of Historically Black Colleges and Universities: Clark Atlanta University, the Interdenominational Theological Center, Morehouse College, and Spelman College.

Providing Access: Establishing Cataloging Priorities in a Large Depository Collection

- **Liza Weisbrod, Music & Government Information Librarian, Auburn University**

Like many large depositories, Auburn University Libraries hold a sizable legacy collection that is only partially-cataloged. The Libraries has had a retrospective cataloging project in place since 2012 but has only recently looked for a way to employ a more data-driven approach to establish cataloging priorities. Using data from three sources—the PURL Usage Reporting Tool, library circulation figures, and click-through data from the public catalog—we examined the usage of the collection for both paper and electronic formats. From this information, we identified the most-used SuDoc classifications and created a list of areas in which to prioritize cataloging resources.

Reach Out and Help: Serving the Underserved through Government Information

- **Jane Canfield, Coordinator of Government Documents Information Center, Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico**
- **Yvonne Williams, Cataloging Specialist, Memphis Public Library**

This poster defines the who, where, what, and why of our underserved library populations. Who the underserved are is defined using information from the United States Government and the American Library Association. Where our underserved populations are located is presented using maps. What kind of information is important to these populations is explained and some examples provided. Finally, the most important concept of why we need to serve these populations is addressed. This poster presentation also provides a fact sheet which attendees can pick up in physical format or request in electronic format.

Revitalizing a Government Library: The Case of the Documents and Maps Collection at the University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras

- **Rosadel Santos-Flores, Auxiliary Librarian, University of Puerto Rico**

The Documents and Maps Collection at the University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras campus is undergoing a vast revitalization process as a method to divulge Federal resources relevant to various academic fields on campus, both on-site and online. This poster showcases the efforts made to resurge referencing on the 80-year-old Federal depository collection and discusses the achieved results since the project initiation in August 2016. Revitalization has involved the creation and divulgation of Federal source-focused guides through the platform LibGuides. The poster sheds light on how these processes, along with the reevaluation of resources displayed in the Collection's reading room, resulted in a notable increase in consultation by students, professors, and independent researchers.

A Seal is Worth a Thousand Words: Providing Visual Guidance in the Stacks

- **Lori Gwinett, Government Information Librarian, Georgia Southern University**

Georgia Southern University's Zach S. Henderson Library has incorporated high resolution Government seals into stacks signage to help promote interest in and use of Government information. This is not meant to take the place of LibGuides or other educational resources about the collection. Instead, these seals are an additional aid, meant to appeal to students on the move, travelling through the stacks to get to study rooms, or those needing guidance beyond locating a SuDoc they found in the catalog. The colorful, informative seals are more noticeable, professional, and authoritative than signage we could create in-house. A graphic design student recreated all seals in high resolution, and we are happy to share our files with anyone who wants to improve the appearance and find-ability of Government documents collections.

Using Government Information in Your National History Day Research

- **Sarah Dobransky, Government Documents Supervisor, Cleveland Public Library**

Every fall, middle school students from Northeast Ohio gather for a research day at the Cleveland Public Library, searching for primary documents and research tips for their National History Day projects. Recently, the Government Documents department was added to the list of presenters who give the students research tips before their tour of the library. Print publications such as the Public Papers of the President, United States Reports, and the United States Statutes at Large are pulled to let the students see and read the landmark cases, laws, and proclamations that shaped our history. Online resources that go a bit outside the traditional history sources were introduced as well, including using Census data to track women's education after World War II, National Monuments and Historic Sites to see what life was like during the Civil Rights Movement, or the Library of Congress historic newspapers (Chronicling America) to see what life was like as the Nation grew. Most students do not think to use

Government information in their research, but our library is aiming to change how they build their projects. This poster presentation highlights some of the past topics and what resources were pulled, as well as providing two PowerPoint presentations that can be adopted for use in your library or classroom.

Where is Government Information? The Complex Relationship between Libraries and Federal Repositories

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- **Dylan Burns, Digital Scholarship Librarian, Utah State University**

This poster presents preliminary results from a survey of general academic library participants in the FDLP. The survey investigated the placement of Government documents within university library organizations, approaches to outreach and trainings, and digitization plans and practices. Through presentation of results to academic library and FDLP colleagues, Government information professionals may discover commonalities across different types of institutions to uncover opportunities for understanding and collaboration.

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