UNG Libraries 2015-2016

Library Spaces

- 563,252 visits to library buildings
- 182,900 sessions on library website

In A Typical Week

- 291.5 hours open
- Tues 12:15pm busiest day & time
- 1,480 students in group study rooms
- 24,421 desktop computers most-used library space/fixture

Resources Used

- 581,663 article downloads
- 132,085 ebook uses
- 2,982 items borrowed via Interlibrary Loan & GIL Express
- 1,526 items loaned
- 24,421 total items circulated

Resources Offered

- 504,702 books & ebooks
- 7,132 new items added to catalog
- 115,466 journals in 272 databases

Reference - Instruction - Archives

- 7,720 attendees taught in 343 instruction sessions 35% increase from last year
- 184 research consultations 116% increase from last year
- 18,363 questions answered
- NOIR items available 1,927 downloads 48,037

Budget

- $3,534,351 total library budget
- $72.98 per student for collections, materials, & subscriptions

MOST-USED DATABASES
Academic Search Complete
JSTOR · ProQuest Central
ScienceDirect · CINAHL Plus

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From the Dean

UNG Libraries are evolving into a highly functioning system offering a parity of collections and services across the university, while recognizing and supporting the varying needs of individual campuses. Library faculty-led instruction in critical thinking and information literacy is rapidly growing, with a 35% increase in students served in the 2015-2016 academic year, and a 116% increase in one-on-one in research consultations. The rising demand evidences the library’s central place in the UNG research continuum. Library collections are increasingly electronic, with now more e-books than print volumes and annual additions to our database and e-journal resources, all of which support 24/7 virtual access for our five campuses and growing online programs. Remodeling projects and furniture additions in each campus library have resulted in enhanced spaces that better support student and faculty needs for individual and collaborative work at computers, in group study rooms, and in quiet study areas. Finally, our library faculty and staff members continue to push boundaries by taking advantage of professional development opportunities in record numbers to hone their skills and offer services that best meet the changing needs of the UNG. As ever, I am most proud of the people behind the numbers in this report.

Deborah Prosser, Ph. D., Dean of Libraries

UNG Libraries: 2015-2016 Highlights

**Cumming**

**Facilities**
- New Circulation Desk installed in reclaimed tutor space
- Door openers installed for easier access for people using wheelchairs or crutches

**Events & Displays**
- Chill Out at the Library welcome event
- Banned Books Display
- Open Mic/poetry event
- Valentine making event
- Author Reading with Shane Wilson
- Pet Therapy event for Spring finals with four dogs
- Hosted New Student Orientation registration for Learning Support students

**Collections**
- 10 new laptops & 3 new DSL cameras for circulation

**Gainesville**

**Facilities**
- Opened new silent study room; installed permanent exhibition of broadside collection
- Updated seating in library instruction classroom
- Refreshed 2nd floor with new signage & improved furniture layout

**Events & Displays**
- Chill Out at the Library welcome event
- Finals Stress Relief with CAREing Paws therapy dogs
- Poem in Your Pocket Day
- Finals Survival Coloring Station
- 7 displays on topics like intellectual freedom, international education, poetry, the Vietnam War, staff picks, & 1960s magazines

**Collections**
- Withdrew outdated nursing materials
- Began reviewing Language & Literature collection for condition, duplication, & special items
- Prepared for migration to new ILS with collection/catalog review & cleanup

**Personnel**
- Filled vacant positions (2 full-time & 2 part-time)
- Faculty/staff attended 9 conferences at state, regional, national, and international level
- Faculty taught sections of RSCH 1501 & UNIV 1101

**Dahlonega**

**Facilities**
- Installed soft seating in place of rarely used kiosks
- Upgraded library instruction classroom computers
- Converted faulty electronic compact shelving to gear-driven manual shelving
- Rearranged books & furniture to encourage browsing & quiet study
- Upgraded 24/7 lobby with 2 all-gender restrooms, 10 study carrels, LED lighting
- Improved building safety with emergency training & AED

**Events & Displays**
- Mail Call exhibit from Smithsonian Institute showcased importance of mail to service men and women. Result of many years of planning. Coordinated with special lectures & workshops, including Andrew Carroll keynote
- Hosted Senior Military College Conference & Honor2Lead CAREing Paws therapy dogs for finals stress relief
- Chill Out at the Library welcome event

**Services**
- Began instruction/material support of Blue Ridge campus
- Implemented one-desk service model

**Collections**
- Completed major collection renovation for nursing
- Began weeding entire circulating collection

**Personnel**
- Filled 4 vacant staff positions

**Special Collections & Archives**

- Co-hosted lecture / time capsule opening
- Collaboration with Appalachian Studies Center
- Well over 100 attendees
- Hosted exhibit corresponding to Mail Call exhibit and offered 4 workshops for community members to learn how to care for their collections

**Oconee**

**Facilities**
- Major remodel: new carpet, paint, ceiling tiles, staff工作站s, & study carrels for students, including ADA workstation
- Reconfigured information desk so that staff are more approachable; added monitor swivel arm for staff to show patrons computer screen to teach information search skills

**Events & Displays**
- Displays about banned books and National Poetry Month
- Student artwork displayed in library
- Finals week therapy dog visits, fall and spring

**Collections**
- 3 new DSL cameras

**Services**
- Workshops on citation styles (students) and publishing opportunities (faculty)
- Advanced Undergraduate Research Skills workshop for OC Undergraduate Research Club
- FYE workshop on developing multicultural awareness in research, writing, and class discussions

**Personnel**
- Added 1 new staff position with ACTT Center separation

**Acquired approximately 25 linear feet of new materials**
- Expanded Nighthawks Open Institutional Repository (NOIR)
- Theses for Family Nurse Practitioner Master’s program
- 4 open textbooks
- 2 new conferences