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Fisheries-Oceanography Library

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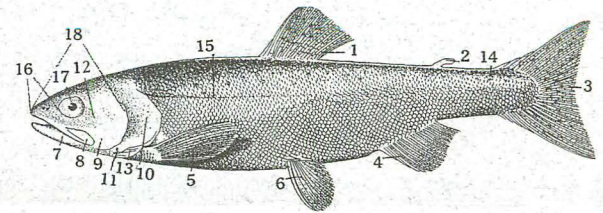
Forty-six years ago the University of Washington was the only institution in the country to offer bachelors degrees in both fisheries and oceanography. To support the teaching and research in these fields, the UW created a small separate library of 3,000 volumes, some of which were pulled from the old Science Reading Room, with the rest coming from the departmental collections of the School of Fisheries and the Department of Oceanography. Today the College of Ocean and Fishery Sciences has a combined population of 450 graduate and undergraduate students, 100 faculty members and 150 professional staff.

From its small beginnings, the Fisheries-Oceanography Library has become one of the premier libraries in the country for fisheries and oceanography. Here at the UW, the library is also the primary place for marine studies, food science and polar science materials. The collection numbers over 66,000 volumes with 1,200 current journal subscriptions. Almost half of the journal subscriptions come directly to Fisheries-Oceanography through exchange programs with institutions around the world.

The library moved to its present location in the Oceanography Teaching Building in 1969. The staff was larger then, reflecting the non-automated nature

of the work. Today, two part-time librarians and two library technicians staff the branch, with the capable help of four student employees.

Library users can now avail themselves of many services away from the actual physical location of the library. As is true of all of the UW Libraries' many units, e-mail and desktop access to periodical databases are fully incorporated into everyday operations. From their homes or offices, patrons may ask reference questions and renew materials, review the titles on the weekly New Book Shelf, access a table of contents service called CARL UnCover, and, of course, search the UW Libraries Catalog.



The Fisheries-Oceanography Library's home page (<http://www.lib.washington.edu/libinfo/libunits/sciences/fish/>) provides essential information about services, and links to other resources on the World Wide Web. Once, librarians did their own original indexing of materials because good indexes and abstracts were virtually non-existent. Nowadays, the library functions as a conduit to worldwide resources.

Libraries Highlighted

Betty G. Bengtson, Director of University Libraries

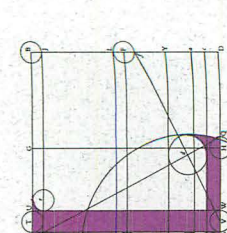
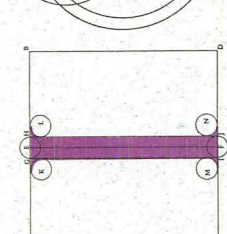
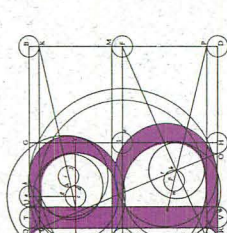
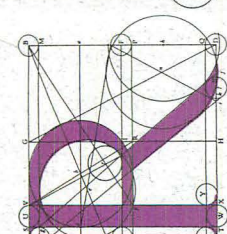
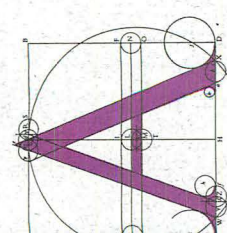
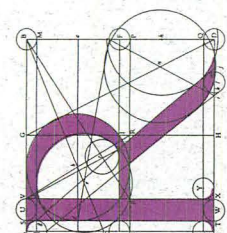
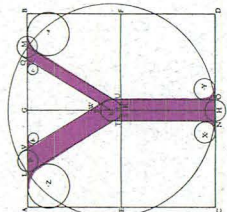
This issue of *Library Directions* features three of the twenty-three libraries that comprise the University of Washington Libraries. The Fisheries-Oceanography Library provides library services and information resources for one of the University's distinguished scientific research programs which also has a strong teaching component. The East Asia Library collection contains materials in Chinese, Japanese, and Korean in support of the Asian studies programs in Arts and Sciences. The staff of both libraries continue to build already distinguished collections,

and to adopt electronic technology and information to serve long-standing university programs.

The UW Tacoma Library is very new. Established to support the new branch campus programs, the Tacoma library has grown dramatically in its first five years. Supported by the branch campus budget, the collections and services of this library are projected to be in a rapid-growth mode for many years. With construction of the permanent Tacoma campus underway, there will soon be a new building for the library to fill.

Articles in future issues will acquaint you with other Libraries' units.

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For all of this, the library remains, as one faculty member, David Fluharty, Marine Affairs, put it, a "place of discovery." Fluharty used the library extensively while producing the *Atlas of Marine Use of the North Pacific Region*. Research uncovered here prompted contact with scientists from all over the world. He also valued the presence of historic and current materials residing next to each other on the shelves. Indeed, serendipitous discoveries are common for those browsing among the books and journals.

Fisheries graduate student Joe Schumacker spent the summer of 1995 in the library gathering information for a Puget Sound marine fish bibliography. Just published by Washington Sea Grant, it is titled *Marine Fish Culture and Enhancement Bibliography: Focus on Puget Sound*.

The information needs of the library's clientele are quite varied. Oceanographers setting out on cruises need to know about a distant ocean. Forestry students want to know the benefits of riparian zones. Commercial fishermen are interested in pinpointing the whereabouts of a particular species of fish. Food scientists research food safety, while artists come looking for drawings and photographs of Pacific salmon. In addition, the library runs an active class reserve operation, and libraries around the world use the collection heavily through interlibrary loan.

Since library users are increasingly caught up with the vision of the information superhighway and its component, the World Wide Web, more and more people expect libraries to be online. But for now, and likely for some time to come, the Fisheries-Oceanography Library remains a place to come to as well as to access electronically. The electronic library is a goal that library professionals will be working towards into the 21st century, however. So come visit now, and again in 25 years.

East Asia Library

Scott Edward Harrison and Yeen-Mei Wu, East Asia Library

Several years ago, a researcher needed to find out when writers first began to associate the literary work "Wenxuan" with Confucius. The *Twenty-five Dynastic Histories* database, produced by the Academia Sinica in Taiwan, was used to search 39,529,975 Chinese characters in texts dating from 2674 BC to 1911 AD. A list of occurrences with citations (and full text availability) was produced

within 20 minutes. According to the researcher, no printed index or concordance could have yielded this result. Today, due to improvements in database technology, the same search takes a mere five seconds. This remarkable change in research capabilities illustrates the growth of the UW's East Asia Library and its ability to serve its users.

The East Asia Library had its beginning in a small collection of Chinese literary works purchased with a Rockefeller grant in 1937. Subsequent purchases augmented this modest start until, at the end of World War II, an unnamed, uncataloged and untended collection of materials resided in Suzzallo Library in a room known as the "Oriental Seminar Room."

In 1947, the materials in Suzzallo were moved to the new Far Eastern Library which was established in the basement of Thomson Hall. The library, headed by Ruth Krader, had for the first time a full-time staff and stable materials budget. In addition to the regular acquisition of books and serials, many important private collections were purchased over the next twenty years, thereby making the library one of the outstanding collections of Chinese, Japanese and Korean materials in the United States. Karl Lo became head of the library in 1968, and continued the growth and development started by his predecessor.

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He also brought the library into the age of automation. In 1976, the collection moved to Gowen Hall and was renamed the East Asia Library. Min-chih Chou was appointed head of the library in 1991. Currently, the collection numbers over 400,000 volumes and is the largest East Asian collection west of Chicago and north of Berkeley.



The East Asia Library is a self-contained branch of the UW Libraries. Due to the complexity of the languages involved, all technical services, ordering, cataloging, and receipt of materials, are performed in the East Asia Library by staff with appropriate language skills and training. Computers specially configured to accommodate Chinese, Japanese and Korean scripts are in daily use to process library materials as well as to access information sources from around the world.

In recent years, the library has become a leader in the provision of electronic information from East Asia.

The Chinese collection at the East Asia Library brought the first Chinese full-text retrieval database to the United States in 1990. The *Twenty-five Dynastic Histories* database is the largest single scholarly full-text database of Chinese materials in the world today.

The library also has access to over fifty-five other Chinese language databases, the majority of which are devoted to classical literature. There is also an index to periodical literature, a full-text newspaper database, and a biographical dictionary on CD-ROM.

In addition, UW affiliates may search four online databases from Taiwan via an Internet connection to the World Wide Web arranged through a special

agreement with the Academia Sinica.

In September 1995, the East Asia Library became the first academic library in North America to gain access to the databases of the National Center for Science Information Systems in Tokyo, Japan. Faculty and students are able to search important Japanese databases such as the *Japanese Union Catalog of Books and Periodicals*, *Directory of Researchers*, *Dissertation Index* and *Current Contents of Academic Serials in Japan*. This online connection required six months of effort, testing different hardware and software configurations so that Japanese text could be sent and received over the Internet.

The Japanese collection also has several CD-ROM applications including the full-text of the Asahi newspaper for 1994 and a bilingual edition of the *Telecommunications White Paper*. Plans are currently underway to connect to a commercial online service in Japan so as to provide researchers with the most up-to-date information available.

The Korean collection currently has two CD-ROM databases. One is a catalog of the National Library of Korea, and the other is a multimedia introduction to Korea. More titles will be added in the future.

The East Asia Library supports research and teaching activities in a broad range of disciplines relating to East Asia. Through a recently developed home page (<http://www.lib.washington.edu/libinfo/libunits/east-asia/>) the library hopes to provide increased access to information about East Asia to a much wider audience.

The Birth of a Library

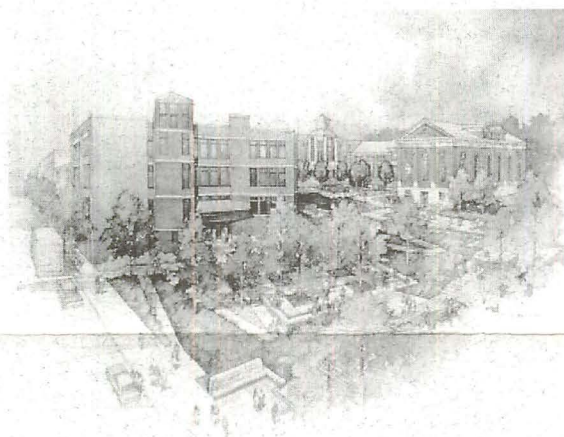
Deborah J. Stansbury Sunday and Suzanne Klinger,
Tacoma Campus Library

The library at the UW Tacoma campus was established to meet the curriculum-related needs of its faculty, staff and students. Because the library cannot own everything its clientele needs, collection and service emphasis is on access.

Library staff faced a number of challenges in the first years of operation. When we opened our doors to students and faculty in 1990, we did have a reference desk. However, we had almost no books in the stacks and our "ready reference" section fit onto a very small bookshelf. What we did have were a few online resources and a system of resource sharing that

allowed us to rely on the collections housed in the libraries on the Seattle campus. Also, a group of librarians from Odegaard Undergraduate Library had identified a core journal collection for the library, so we had “magazines.”

One of the most frequently asked questions in the early years was, “Where are the books?” The stack area had ranges and ranges of empty shelves; an echo could be heard in the room. We spent considerable time convincing new and prospective students that the collections of the UW Seattle were only a shuttle trip away.



Artist's rendition of the UW Tacoma permanent campus

The library has grown since then, but the challenges still resemble those early ones. As an almost entirely computer-centered library, we have the capacity to support almost any research, but we must assist our students as they cope with the complexities of returning to college in the age of information. The majority of our students are non-traditional with an average age of 34. Because many associate “surfing” with the Beach Boys instead of the Internet, much of our library instruction centers on helping students become comfortable with computer-based technologies.

The interdisciplinary nature of the curriculum has forced the librarians to acquire a broad understanding of the structure and interrelatedness of many disciplines in order to build the collection. Faculty have also been active participants in the collection development effort from the very beginning. Because the Tacoma Campus is growing and adding new degree programs each biennium, we are continually learning something new.

Although our book collection now has over 20,000

volumes, we still rely heavily on the collections of UW Seattle and Bothell. For students coming from community colleges where there were usually adequate materials on their library shelves, identifying, evaluating and requesting materials suited to upper division research is a daunting task. We help them by working closely with faculty to anticipate research needs, by emphasizing the importance of tackling research assignments early in the quarter, and by instructing students about the information available through a close reading of an online record. We also collect and distribute information about the “turnaround” times required when requesting materials from another site.

The entire campus will be moving to a permanent site in the historic warehouse district of downtown Tacoma in the summer of 1997. You can follow this much anticipated event by tapping into the UWT home page (<http://www-uw.t.u.washington.edu/>) on the World Wide Web.

Health Sciences Libraries Web Page

Paula Palmer, Health Sciences Libraries and Information Center

A new home page for the Health Sciences Libraries and Information Center was recently released as part of the new *HealthLinks* site for the UW Health Sciences Center. Explore what the Health Sciences Libraries has to offer by selecting **The Library** from the *HealthLinks* home page (<http://www.hslib.washington.edu/>). The direct URL is <http://www.hslib.washington.edu/hsl>. The left side of the home page directs you to library information, and buttons on the right point to additional health sciences resources.



University of Washington Health Sciences Libraries

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UW Home

The following is a preview of what you will find at each location.

General Information leads to *Locations and Hours* of operation, and a *Staff Directory* including *Telephone Numbers and Email Addresses*.

Services And Collections includes *Factsheets*, covering library policies and procedures; information about *Health Information For You*, services for non-UW affiliates; *Tools for Researchers* at the Health Sciences Center; the monthly *New Books List*; and electronic *Service Request Forms* which allow you to renew books, place materials on course reserve, register for library classes, etc.

Our Publications offers *Medical Grand Rounds Bibliographies*, *Books & Bytes* newsletter, and *Information Guides* to computer, database and Internet help.

Classes, Lectures And Events leads to a listing of *Tours*, a *Schedule* of and *Registration Forms for Classes*, along with a listing of *IAIMS Events and Opportunities*.

Other Programs links to contractual and collaborative programs: *IAIMS* (Integrated Advanced Information Management System), *INPHO* (Information Network for Public Health Officials), *NN/LM PNR* (National Network of Libraries of Medicine/Pacific Northwest Region), and *RFS* (Research Funding Service).

Databases links to resources available within the UW such as UWIN, and databases beyond the UW such as *AIDSLINE*, *Bioethics*, *CDC WONDER* (reports, guidelines, and health data), *Hazardous Substances Database* and *Poisons Information Database*.

Under **Journals** you will find links to *Headline News*, a compilation of daily or weekly online resources; *Electronic News*, a collection of active links to health sciences journals on the Web, indicating those available with tables of contents, abstracts, or full text, as well as those available in print within the Libraries system; *Newsgroups and Listservs*, a list of listservs and usenet groups of interest to the health sciences community, and a listing of full text resources available on the CD-ROM *Health Reference Center*.

Liaisons connects you to the designated liaison librarian for each health sciences school, department, or program. Each liaison is developing Web pages for his or her program areas containing applicable resources filtered from the Internet.

Reference contains links to general desktop reference tools (*Dictionaries, Directories, Thesauri*) as well as specialized reference tools such as *Basic Sciences Resources, Employment and Career Guides, Government Resources, Grants and Funding information, Patents and Trademarks, Style Manuals and Guides*, and *Tools for Researchers*.

HealthLinks is a connection to the Health Sciences Center home page, with links to areas of interest such as *Clinical Care, Education, Public Health, Research*, and personal health information under *Your Health*; along with information about the *Schools (Health Sciences), Programs and Services*, and the *Medical Centers*.

Your comments and suggestions about the new home page are welcome; e-mail hsl@u.washington.edu.



Gordon Aamot, Business Administration Library, Tatiana Grekhova, Far Eastern Technological Institute, and Ivan Komachinskiy, FETI student and translator

Russian Librarian Visits

Gordon Aamot, Business Administration Library

During Winter Quarter 1996, the UW Libraries and School of Business Administration hosted a visiting Russian librarian. Tatiana Grekhova, Director of the Far Eastern Technological Institute (FETI) Library in Vladivostok, visited the UW Libraries from February 22 to March 19 as part of the School of Business Administration's Partnership for Management

Recent Changes to UW Libraries Databases

UW Libraries serials holdings information has been added to the full record in MEDLINE and Expanded Academic Index databases. No need to do two searches to find out if the Libraries has the journal title.

INSPEC file now has expanded coverage dating back to 1980.

In Willow, you may now choose a database from a list that is organized by "Subject," "Name" or "Type."

Education Program. Funded by a USIA grant and coordinated by the Business School's Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER), the program is designed to facilitate contacts between Russian and UW faculty members and librarians.

The political changes of the past few years have caused great shifts in Russian higher education, from an emphasis on educating technicians and engineers to one where business, international trade and entrepreneurship are much more important. The goal of the UW project is to advise FETI partners on how best to design and implement their new business programs. The grant also will provide approximately \$15,000 for the purchase of business library materials to help support FETI's new business curriculum. The object of Grekhova's visit was to provide her with an opportunity to learn about American libraries and establish relationships with UW librarians. She received orientations to a number of UW Libraries units, as well as Seattle Public and Bellevue Public Libraries. Her program constituted a broad overview of many aspects of American librarianship—from service programs to technical processing to administration and fund raising. Since FETI's programs are primarily focused on business and economics, she also spent considerable time at the Business Administration Library discussing issues of mutual concern. She was especially interested in the planning for the new Foster Business Administration Library now under construction. Her institution is planning an expansion of the library and she was very anxious to learn about the UW's plans.

Gordon Aamot will visit the FETI library in Vladivostok for two weeks this spring. He will assess the collection, consult on planning for the new library and, upon returning to Seattle, will order the library materials funded by the grant.

International exchanges of librarians provide valuable experience for each party involved. On the one hand, they offer UW Libraries' staff an opportunity to learn about librarianship in other countries and, on the other, they provide a means for the Libraries to actively participate in international library development. The Libraries have hosted a number of other international visitors in recent years, including librarians from Kyrgystan, Malaysia, and Romania.



Lebsock Lecture

Suzanne Lebsock, UW History professor and MacArthur Foundation Award winner, was the featured speaker at a lecture at the Faculty Club on February 13, 1996. Lebsock spoke about the book she is writing based on a murder in Virginia during the 1800s.

The lecture was the first event sponsored by the Daniel C. and Ellen L. Blom Endowed Library Fund which provides support for the UW Libraries by funding programs and other events on subjects of cultural interest to the Libraries.

Lebsock's lecture was well received by a large audience that included Friends of the UW Libraries members, Libraries' donors, faculty and staff. A dessert reception followed the lecture.

Afro-American Interviews Available

Karyl Winn, Manuscripts and University Archives

A project has been completed in Manuscripts and University Archives to establish public access to oral history interviews which document the black communities of Seattle, Tacoma, Roslyn and Spokane, Washington.

These interviews were recorded between 1964 and 1976 when standard policy restricted access to "serious research use." Under this policy, undergraduates, community historians and other interested researchers without academic credentials could not use the interviews. Over the years, division staff have become increasingly uncomfortable with

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this situation, but limited resources prevented the effort needed to locate the original interviewees, most of whom it was assumed were deceased, and persuade them or their heirs to modify the terms of access.

In November 1995, Avril J. Madison, a manuscripts librarian with experience in the management of oral history programs, volunteered to undertake this effort. Madison recently moved to Seattle from the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area, where she worked for the Moorland-Spingarn Research Center at Howard University. Madison's efforts succeeded in liberalizing access to interviews which document a significant portion of black history in Washington from the 1880s to the early 1970s. The interviewees discuss a range of personal experiences living and working in several areas of the state. Many of the oral authors also included family histories passed on to them by parents and grandparents.

Of particular interest are interviews that discuss the role of black workers as strikebreakers in the early *coal mining industry*, and their struggle to open up jobs on the docks of Puget Sound port cities. Several longtime residents of Seattle also provide vivid testimony of the effect on the black community of *de facto* segregation policies in employment and housing. The Colored Marine Employees Benevolent Association, the Seattle Urban League and the Black Panther Party of Seattle are also discussed in some of the interviews.

Summer Research: the Reciprocal Faculty Borrowing Program

Are you planning a scholarly visit to another university this summer? Obtain a Reciprocal Faculty Borrowing Program card from Resource Sharing Service (RSS) before you leave.

The Reciprocal Faculty Borrowing Program of the Research Libraries Advisory Committee to OCLC allows faculty members of participating institutions borrowing privileges and on-site access to the collections of some of the most important research libraries in North America.

Send e-mail to librss@u.washington.edu or call 543-1878 for additional information on the program and a list of participating research libraries.



Art Kiosk on Display

Tucked away in the corner of the Allen Library lobby is one of two fanciful kiosks housing the Seattle Arts Commission's interactive computers. Artists Clark Wiegman and Chris Krumm drew inspiration from the construction of boat hulls to build the kiosks, both of which possess a decidedly nautical quality. The wooden version in the Allen Lobby will remain there until February 1997. An aluminum-clad version is moored on the third floor Galleria of the Washington State Convention and Trade Center.

The interactive computer kiosk houses "Public Art Seattle," an illustrated software program about the City of Seattle's collection of public art. Users can take a tour of artworks, learn more about their favorite artists or find out about the Arts Commission's mission. First created in 1991 by Craig Ragland of the Zephron Corporation, the program has not stopped evolving. This kiosk runs Version 2.0 which includes recently acquired artworks, video clips, easy cross referencing and wide angle pictures.

Libraries Briefs

Appointments

Kathleen Forsythe joined the UW Libraries on March 4, 1996 as Electronic Resources Cataloger. She previously served as Customer Services Librarian for Interlibrary Loan and Reference Databases at WLN (Washington Library Network), and Catalog Librarian at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y.

Service Awards—Classified Staff, 1995

The following staff members received service awards during the past year in recognition of service to the UW.

Reminder to Faculty

Before you disperse to summer diversions, don't forget to return or renew library materials that come due at the end of Spring Quarter.

Most materials charged out to faculty come due on June 7, 1996. If you wish to extend the due date to the end of Summer Quarter, call the circulation desk of your nearest library, or use the renewal form on the UW Libraries home page (<http://www.lib.washington.edu/libinfo/renewme.html>) anytime after May 13, 1996.

Ten years: **Teresita Guerrero**, Natural Sciences Library; **Hsiaoching Li**, East Asia Library; **Vera Otmar**, Serials Division*; **Marc-Albert Vandermeerssche**, Health Sciences Library and Information Center*.

Fifteen years: **Leslie Harding**, Interlibrary Borrowing Service; **Cherry Johnson**, Circulation Division; **Marcia White**, Circulation Division/Cashier Section.

Twenty years: **Gladys Carkeek**, Health Sciences Library and Information Center; **Karen Hedelund**, Odegaard Undergraduate Library; **Shaw Pei Loh**, East Asia Library; **Gary Lundell**, Manuscripts/Archives*; **Carol McCready-Cohn**, Acquisitions Division; **Steve Stockamp**, Circulation Division; **Constance Worley**, Health Sciences Library and Information Center.

Twenty-five years: **Wayne Gloege**, Fisheries-Oceanography Library*.

*These staff members received service awards in 1995, but were eligible in 1994.

Recognition of Length of Service—Librarians

In 1995, these librarians reached the following anniversaries in their employment with the UW Libraries.

Ten years: **Kerry Bartels**, Manuscripts and University Archives; **Susanne Redalje**, Chemistry Library.

Fifteen years: **Carol Green**, Forest Resources Library; **Janet Heineck**, Cataloging Division.

Twenty years: **Elizabeth Fugate**, Drama Library; **Paula Walker**, Odegaard Undergraduate Library.

Twenty-five years: **Laurie Sutherland**, Serials Division; **Carla Rickerson**, Special Collections and Preservation Division; **Thomas Bolling**, Odegaard Undergraduate Library.

Thirty-five years: **Mary Jensen**, Acquisitions Division.

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