The Rutgers Libraries:
Where are we and where are we going?

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The Rutgers University Libraries exist to:

Accelerate discovery

Illuminate understanding

Enrich academic growth

Provide an intellectual commons

Contribute to the public good
Library Facts

- 20 Libraries and Centers
- 3,000,000+ visitors per year
- 4.8 million volumes
- 110,000+ electronic journals
- 500+ indexes and databases
2016-2017 Priorities

• Clarify communication and decision-making
• Enhance undergraduate education
• Define our role in advanced research support
• Conduct a holistic review of Special Collections
• Optimize collection development and management
Empowering Learning

• Reference and research services
• Subject librarians
• Library guides for classes and subjects
• Spaces for study and exploration
• Workshops
• Course reserves, media services
• Interlibrary loan
Supporting Research

• SOAR/RUcore – Open Access
• Citation management software
• Copyright and licensing support
• NIH Public Access compliance
• Data management plan consultations

Information for Researchers: http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/services_researchers
Emerging Projects

- Open textbook initiative
- Libraries master space plan
Open Textbooks

- Textbook prices increased 161% between 1998 and 2014; 945% since 1978\(^1\)
- Estimated 65% of students have opted not to buy\(^1\)
- March 2015 report from Student Affairs Committee to University Senate
- February 2016 response from President Barchi announcing pilot program to increase faculty use of open textbooks
- Investigating Open Textbook Network, OpenStax and other existing OER to begin discussions

Libraries Master Space Plan

- Library use is increasing
- Library use correlates with student success and retention
  - Library use by first semester students is correlated with a 0.28 higher GPA than students who do not use the library\(^2\)
  - Library research and study space fosters academic community among students\(^3\)

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Exit Count All New Brunswick Libraries (in thousands)
Exit Count Kilmer Library (in thousands)
Libraries Master Space Plan

- Library use is increasing
- Library use correlates with student success
- Spaces not maximized to serve variety of types of study needs
- Engaged external firm to help us reimagine the use of our existing space
- Discussion with faculty about maintaining appropriate collections in primary spaces
Library Collections
Collection development overview

• Doing everything we can to achieve efficiencies
  – Major acquisitions funded internally since July
• CIC:
  – Opportunities for resource sharing and collaborations
  – Also exposing our weakness – collections spending lags behind CIC peers
• RCM shows the cost-effectiveness of library collections
  – The Libraries should be rewarded for it!
Major developments since July

• Eliminated copyright fees charged to Interlibrary Loan users
• Upgraded subscriptions to Wiley and Sage journals
  – Adding 1,000 journals in sciences and social sciences
• Purchased Oxford journal backfiles as part of CIC Large-Scale Acquisitions
Major developments (2)

• Evaluating two major academic e-book packages (EBSCO vs. ProQuest Ebrary)
  – About 140 thousand volumes each
  – Multidisciplinary

• Purchased three new Springer e-book collections in Biomedical and Biological Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
  – In addition to ongoing purchases of Computer Science and Math/Statistics collections
Major developments (3)

- Course-related streaming media
  - SWANK: access to 250 feature films and documentaries a year
- Shared print archives
  - Library Annex is full
  - Libraries Master Space Plan
Benefits of CIC

- **UBorrow**
  - Borrowing books from other CIC libraries – over 90 million books in total

- **Large-Scale Acquisition**
  - Pool resources together to purchase digital resources ($200k - $250k a year for Rutgers)
  - Recent purchases:
    - Web of Science backfiles to the 1980s
    - Adam Matthew primary source collections
    - Alexander Street Press videos
    - Oxford journal backfiles

- **HathiTrust**
  - Enhanced full text access to over 5 million volumes of books in public domain

- **Shared Print Repository**
  - Goal: a shared collection of 250,000 volumes of print journal backfiles
  - Two thirds completed
2014 Public CIC Spending on Collections (Per FTE)
How much would each Chancellor’s unit pay if they went their own way?

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LibQUAL+® Survey, February 15 – March 6
“one little survey, GREAT BIG RESULTS”

- **Purpose:** Quality improvement survey that will be used to guide strategic planning process

- **Audience:** Faculty and students at Rutgers–Camden, Newark, New Brunswick, and RBHS

- **Details:** survey on Libraries web site; pop-up stations at libraries, student centers, and dining halls; $500 Visa gift cards will be randomly awarded to seven survey takers

- **Background:** LibQual+® was created by the Association of Research Libraries and is used by hundreds of libraries around the world
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