LAUC-I Program Committee Annual Report
2008-2009

1. Office/Committee Name: Program Committee

2. Membership and Terms: Bob Johnson, Co-Chair (2010), Becky Imamoto, Co-Chair (2010), Vicki Grahame (2009), Kathryn Kjaer (2009)

3. Standing Charge: (from LAUC-I Bylaws)

The Program Committee shall organize, advertise, and coordinate programs of interest to LAUC-I membership at the direction of or in consultation with the LAUCI Chair and Executive Board. The Committee shall also undertake other duties as directed by the LAUC-I Chair and the Executive Board.

Lunches with LAUC-I

1. Getting Grants: A Survival Guide on December 10, 2008

Initial Invite: "This event will help you navigate UCI's rules and regulations, show you resources to find grants in your area of interest, and insights from colleagues who have gone through the process themselves. Kevin Ruminson (Director of Planning, Assessment And Research), Dana Peterman (Research Librarian for Education, Psychology & Cognitive Science) and Brian Williams (Librarian for Criminology, Law & Society & U.S. Government Information) will be the featured speakers. This event is co-sponsored by the LAUC-I Professional Development and Program Committees."

Recap: Kevin Ruminson discussed the administrative process (both in general, and specific to UCI), Dana Peterman highlighted resources to help find grant opportunities (both for librarians and our patrons), and Brian Williams showcased examples of LAUC grants and offered tips on having your grant accepted.

Cost for refreshments: $181.49
Attendance: 26

2. Virtual Resources on March 5, 2009

Initial Invite: This event will cover resources available at UCI and on the web that will help you virtually collaborate with colleagues and others. We will be discussing video teleconferencing, Skype, Elluminate, the TXT a Librarian Pilot Project, and more.

Recap: The LAUC-I Program Committee hosted a Lunch with LAUC-I on Thursday March 5, 2009 in SL 104. The title was "Virtual Resources" and the plan was to provide an overview of resources available to us at UCI for telecommuting. The speakers were as follows Brian Williams

(MOSIO, answering reference questions via cell phone); Carol Hughes (Skype); Jeff Fisher (video teleconferencing at UC Irvine from the TLCT); and Jeff Schneidewind (resources at the ILC/MRC). We did not have time for Jeffra Bussmann's discussion of Elluminate.

Cost for refreshments: $76.42
Attendance 37

3. Google Searching and the Library April 29, 2009

Initial Invite: Our guest speaker is Dan Russell, a research scientist at Google, who works in the area of search quality. Basically he figures out how to make Google users happy with their web searching. Mr. Russell will be sharing some of his research results and also tips that every librarian should know about Google.

Recap: On Wednesday April 29th, the LAUC-I Program Committee hosted a Lunch with LAUC-I event: "Google Searching and the Library." Our guest speaker was Dan Russell, a research scientist at Google. He spoke about his area of work which is the improvement of searches within Google. We spent a total of 85.41 ($10.00 parking for Dan, $54.24 on food and refreshments, and $21.17 on paper products.) Our event was rather full with 49 people attending.

Cost for refreshments: $75.41
Attendance: 49

4. Timely Topic: Research: A Journey of Discovery May 22, 2009

Initial Invite: The Librarians Association of the University of California, Irvine (LAUC-I) is hosting a workshop on research in librarianship. We are cordially inviting any and all library folk to our campus for this free event.

The speaker will be Jonathan Eldredge, MLS, PhD, AHIP. Dr. Eldredge has published 30 articles in peer reviewed journals in leading library science/informatics journals. His publications cover diverse subjects such as research design, collection development, library education, the public relations and marketing aspects of management, and his favorite current topic: Evidence Based Library and Information Practice (EBLIP).

Jon created the Medical Library Association (MLA) continuing education course on EBLIP in 1998 and has taught this course a total of 22 times both nationally and internationally. Jon's research interests have led him to conduct both quantitative and qualitative research studies, and he has been the principal investigator in four randomized controlled trials.

Jon serves as an Associate Professor for the School of Medicine and the Health Sciences Library and Informatics Center at the University of New Mexico where he has an active research program. At UNM Jon regularly teaches his medical as well as his graduate clinical research,

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physician assistant, health policy, and public health students. During both 2007 and 2009 the medical students honored his excellence in teaching by presenting Jon with the "Hippo Award".

http://hsc.unm.edu/library/faculty/Eldredge.shtml

Recap: The LAUC-I Program Committee hosted a half-day Timely Topic event called "Research: A Journal of Discovery" on May 22nd. Our guest speaker was Jon Eldredge, an Associate Professor and librarian at The University of New Mexico, Albuquerque. Professor Eldredge spoke about what research is, the discovery aspect of the research process, and selecting appropriate research methodologies. He also provided exercises to help attendees explore and develop ideas for their own research interests.

Total Cost: $1303.12
Speaker Costs: $ 753.73 Total ($465.50 Airfare, $143.52 Hotel, $20 taxi, $18.23 food, $250 Honorarium)
Cost for catering: $486.81
Cost for refreshments: $47.58 ($31.52 Refreshments, $16.06 Supplies)
Cost for prizes: $15.00 (3 x $5 gift cards)
Attendance: 38

5. Lunch with LAUC-I: Qualitative & Quantitative Research Methodology on June 16, 2009
Initial Invite: Our speaker is Mr. David Kennedy. This event will cover research designs that may be helpful for librarians interested in doing research. Specifically, Mr. Kennedy will talk about ways to move beyond just doing surveys and/or focus groups. He will talk about where these two methods fall within the continuum of qualitative and quantitative research designs and he'll talk about other approaches including their strengths and weaknesses. Mr. Kennedy will also point out some useful resources for those wanting to learn more about developing their own research designs.

David P. Kennedy, Ph.D., anthropologist, is an Associate Behavioral Social Scientist at RAND and a Senior Public Administration Analyst at the UCLA/NPI Health Services Research Center since November 2005. Dr. Kennedy specializes in the combination of qualitative and quantitative research methodology and has investigated a range of subjects, including depression, ADHD, and PTSD. Dr. Kennedy received a Ph.D. in cultural anthropology from the University of Florida in 2002 and was a postdoctoral fellow at the Carolina Population Center for three years studying adolescent romantic relationships and adherence to antiretroviral therapy in South Africa.
http://www.hsrcenter.ucla.edu/people/kennedy.shtml

Recap: Mr. Kennedy spoke in general about research methodology in anthropology, and then related it to research done by librarians. He pointed out several useful articles to examine and looked at the literature in both librarianship and anthropology. Using research questions pre-submitted by UCI librarians, Mr. Kennedy described how to look at a research question and find the appropriate methodology to study that question.

Total Cost: $953.30
Honorarium: $900
Parking: $10
Cost for refreshments: $43.30
Attendance 27

6. Documents Archived on LAUC-I T:\ drive (meeting notes, program summaries). Few of the minutes and handouts can be found here: T:\LAUC-I\2008-2009\Committees\Program Committee

Submitted by:_____Bob Johnson_____ Date:___August 31, 2009_____