Vision

The University of Hong Kong Libraries seeks to sustain and enhance the University’s **Excellence** as an institution of higher learning, as a **pre-eminent** international university in Asia, and to provide **Outstanding** teaching and world-class research support collections and services so as to produce **Well-rounded** graduates with lifelong abilities to provide leadership within the societies they serve.
More than 50 new accomplishments representing innovative efforts to bridge people and information are reported this year. But what is the OUTCOME of these efforts? Unless students have acquired knowledge and skills that constitute the integrated learning needed when they leave the university, studies on student outcomes have suggested that while we might have provided employment for our staff and maintained the attention of our students for significant periods of time, we have failed to achieve learning outcomes.

Arizona State University has posited 7 learning outcomes that they hope to achieve. These included equipping students with lifelong learning skills; an appreciation for the diversity of life; the ability to successfully apply what they have learned; critical thinking skills; the basic mastery of domain knowledge; information management skills; the ability to communicate successfully; mathematical and other analytical skills.

While I am not sure I totally agree that any organisation should measure its success with a single ruler, I think it is a valuable exercise to evaluate our efforts in terms of learning outcomes.

Life long learning
Libraries, including ours, take a leadership role in teaching students lifelong learning and information literacy skills. Professors are collections of living experts in one location; libraries are collections of the knowledge of past and present experts living or who have lived in all nations of the world. Students are equipped with these skills to learn for themselves whenever they come up against something they don’t understand.

Libraries perform a critical supportive role in achieving 3 other outcomes.

Appreciation for diversity
Library collections, both printed and electronic, contain words and images portraying the diversity of the human enterprise past and present. While few students may have the opportunity to talk to others whose life experiences is different from their own, they can get inside the heads of thousands of authors who have personally experienced these things or observed it for themselves.

Critical thinker
While our teachers impart critical thinking skills, libraries provide the treasure chest of ideas that need to be critically analysed. Students acquired domain knowledge from their teachers but they are also required to read other materials with other points of view and perspectives. These materials are found in libraries.

Effective communicator
HKU Libraries has expanded access to software and hardware for students to enhance their presentations – thus increasing their ability to communicate their findings.

Therefore, as we conclude another year, we do so with pride in our accomplishments. We wish to express our gratitude to the other components of the University Family for making all of this possible. We look forward to a new year, a year in which we will celebrate the addition of our one-millionth e-book.

Dr Anthony W. Ferguson
University Librarian
A total of 36,215 e-journals & 851,583 e-books
Enhancing Academic Excellence

Expanding information

Once again this year in response to the ever-expanding world of electronic publishing, we increased the proportion of resources we spent on the acquisition of electronic information. The total expenditure of e-resources grew by about 12%, largely as a result of the shift from print journals to cover electronic license fees.

Our electronic resources now consist of:

- 36,215 e-journal titles representing a 44% increase on the previous year.
- 821,583 e-books representing a 100% increase over 410,044 in 2003-4, easily our biggest growth area over the preceding year. Correspondingly, the usage of e-books continues to grow. As an example, usage of netLibrary e-books grew by 96% to 68,508 accesses in 2004.
- 511 electronic databases.
- 16,106 free web-resources.

An obvious consequence of these developments is a reduction in the rate of growth for the print collection. Notwithstanding this, our print collection grew significantly by more than 98,000 volumes to 2,377,825 volumes.

Approval plans continue to play a significant part in developing our monograph collection. This year 45% of the monographs budget was expended on books supplied through these plans which cover over 350 core publishers. We also established an approval plan to supply award-winning titles for the Leisure Reading Room.

Improving access to library resources

The Libraries continued to enhance access to its existing collections by making certain collections more readily available to our local user community and to the wider scholarly world.

An inter-branch delivery service, launched in January 2005, allowed all borrowers to request books held in the HKU Libraries to be delivered to main and off campus library pickup locations.

We relocated the Reserve services and collections to the Audio-Visual Department. This relocation to an open environment allows users to readily browse these materials, make copies on the photocopiers or check them out. Not only has this move improved access for students it has freed up staff from repetitively retrieving, then re-shelving materials.

Following our earlier decision to classify our CJK materials using the more
user-friendly Library of Congress (LC) Classification Scheme, the re-labelling of materials held in the Fung Ping Shan Library made significant progress and will be completed later this year.

In order to enhance access to our journals collection, we barcoded 163,610 bound journals located in the Main Library, enabling them to be lent through the library system.

Some 60,000 less frequently used books were relegated to the Ground Floor Compact Storage of the Main Library to relieve the cramped conditions of the Main Library.

We also undertook several enhancements and new digital projects in terms of our home grown resources:

- The Reformatting Team continued with their many existing projects by digitising many more CD covers, adding 67 issues to the *Hong Kong Journals Online* collection, 38 Hong Kong University Press titles and 47 more e-video titles. 1,035 e-theses were added and over 600 papers were scanned into *ExamBase*.

- A new digitisation project, *China through Western Eyes*, was given a major kick start, covering printed materials in Special Collections and the Fung Ping Shan Library, selected for their Western views of China from about the 16th century until 1911. The database now holds some 12,800 pages from 32 titles. It will eventually hold hundreds of titles in English, French, German, Spanish, Dutch, Italian and Latin on this topic.

- We reformatted the design of our web pages to enhance the searchability of electronic information. We added more browsing capability on subjects and broadened the formats beyond the basic e-journal, e-book, e-news and database. We renamed these “Electronic Resources”.

- The Libraries received files of 2 previously unpublished typescripts by Dr B.S. Bonsall - translations of *Red Chamber Dream* (紅樓夢), and *Records of the Warring States* (戰國策) - which we placed online in navigable pages.

The Law Library extended its hours from 6 to 7 days a week by opening on Sundays during term time from 12 noon to 7 pm, a welcomed change for an increasing number of students in part time programmes. Special Collections also extended its opening hours to Sundays and public holidays during term time.

Our cataloguers were especially busy throughout the year improving access to our newly acquired electronic resources.
They processed 234,888 titles, including 9,848 free internet resources, a 420% increase on the previous year. They also managed to improve access for a range of retrospective printed materials. A total of 70,272 volumes were catalogued and added to the Libraries.

**Improving the physical infrastructure**

The Libraries continued to upgrade the technical and physical infrastructure necessary to support uninterrupted access to the wealth of digital resources.

- Purchased 178 new computers, mainly to replace older models. Our total count now stands at 299 for users and 290 for Libraries’ staff.

- Increased our fixed ACEnet access points for campus roaming to 475. We added 45 wireless access points for users and 3 for Libraries’ staff.

- Replaced an old Compaq Alpha server hosting Dragon, our library catalogue, with a faster and more powerful Sun Fire V490 Server. Some jobs that used to take 8 hours, now take only 30 minutes.

- Upgraded 13 computers in the Law Library to Project Workstations, in response to the Knowledge Navigation Centre (KNC) survey.

- Upgraded the software of ZoomText Magnifier/Screen Reader in the Special Room for the Visually Impaired.

- Installed 4 digital microform readers/printers in Special Collections.

- Enhanced the facilities of the Microform Room with additional side tables and an intercom installed for instant help from the Special Collections counter.

- Purchased a new leaf casting machine that fills in holes in the pages of very old books caused by insect infestation or other reasons.

- Received 17 binding machines donated by the Polytechnic University Library, to enhance efficiency and quality of work of our Bindery.

**Communicating with and identifying user needs**

We updated all of our online research guides as well as creating many new ones. Collection Development created subject blogs for Architecture, Arts, Business & Economics, Education, Engineering, Science, Social Sciences, Electronic Resources and Internet Resources to keep our users current with information resources and relevant news in the respective disciplines.

A series of customised action agenda for
each of the academic departments became top priority for Subject Librarians:

- Improve communication with faculty to facilitate collection building.
- Offer more support for collection building to develop well balanced collections.
- Link users to relevant and current information resources and services.
- Improve information skills of subject-specific groups and increase awareness of course content by offering course related instruction that are customised and delivered on-site.
- Keep current with research interests and information needs through research consultation targeted at postgraduates.

Serving our users

In September we began sending courtesy notices reminding our users 3 days in advance of their borrowed items becoming overdue, a service long requested by our users.

We contracted with the University’s E-Business Technology Institute, ETI Consulting Limited (ETIC), to develop a system to send out library notices for overdue, recalls, pickup notices, and courtesy reminders via short text messages service (SMS) to our users’ mobile phones.

We continued to help users fully capitalise on the Libraries’ wealth of resources:

- Answered over 60,000 reference enquiries across the Libraries. Among these, we saw an increase in the number of electronic enquiries. Our Live Reference Help service increased by 49% while email enquiries rose by 24%.
- Continued to provide formalised information literacy training through teaching, demonstrations, orientation tours and the Foundations of Information Technology course. Library staff dedicated 700 hours to this service and the number of persons attending the training rose by 6.4% to 12,281.
- Significant growth rate at 130% for our personalised and in-depth Research Consultation Service for faculty and postgraduate students.
- Registered 10,000 users for 17,000 sessions to utilise the Knowledge Navigation Centre (KNC) of the Main Library, an increase of 17.6% over the previous year.
Raising the University’s Global Presence and Visibility

Contributed to WorldCat: 45,758 records
Raising the University’s Global Presence and Visibility

During the 2004-5 academic year the Libraries sought to establish the University’s reputation as a premier international university through contributions to the library and information science literature and the profession; its digitisation programme; by participating in global collaborative programmes; and by strengthening the international components of University life.

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**Electronic digitisation programmes**

- Conducted a pilot project to determine the effectiveness of the inclusion of HKU theses in the ProQuest Digital Dissertations database. Abstracts of 425 MPhil and PhD theses were submitted.

- Published an online version of the *Fung Ping Shan Rare Book Catalogue*，《香港大學馮平山圖書館藏善本書目》, a collection of 704 titles in 11,427 volumes, including books published from the 13th to 19th centuries and manuscripts dating back to the Ming dynasty.

**Global collaborative programmes**

- Contributed 45,758 original cataloguing records to the Online Computer Library Consortia’s WorldCat database which placed HKUL second in the world, ahead of Oxford University at 39,322 records. These cataloguing records are then shared and copied by libraries worldwide when using WorldCat.

- Became the first member, outside of North America, of the Center for Research Libraries (CRL) under its new Global Membership Program, giving us access to over 4 million additional publications within the CRL collections through interlibrary loans and/or electronic delivery.

- Joined the Research Libraries Group (RLG) Chinese Rare Books Project. With the assistance of Dr Chan Chi-wah from the Project, HKUL contributed records to RLIN (Research Libraries Information Network), the bibliographic database of the Research Library Group, an international library consortia headquartered in the US, to help build an international union catalogue of Chinese rare books.

- Initiated a benchmarking exercise with 15 libraries from China, Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia, the United Kingdom, Canada, and the US. The goal was to determine how HKUL’s programme compares with that of libraries in significant research universities worldwide.
International components of University life

- Provided 79 library tours to groups and individuals from outside of Hong Kong including 23 for international visitors and 56 for guests from Mainland China. In all, 1,103 individuals were given library tours last year.

- Taught a half dozen library and information management skills courses specifically designed to help students from outside of Hong Kong.

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Partnering with Society and Serving the Community

3 terabytes server, home to 280,000 Chinese e-books
Partnering with Society and Serving the Community

We believe by fostering a closer relationship with the Hong Kong Community and China, the value of our collections and services can be further explored by a wider spectrum of users. On the other hand, collaboration with different partners also helps to enrich the resources for sharing. Efforts have therefore been made to establish solid relationships with our partners by enhancing our library access, communication and collaborative efforts.

Giving access to Hong Kong groups

- Between January and October 2004, the libraries at the University of Hong Kong, City University, and Lingnan University experimented with using INN-Reach software to set up the Hong Kong Academic Library Link (HKALL) interlibrary document delivery service. It provided a faster and cheaper service than the traditional interlibrary loan system. The service received a profound welcome by the users of the 3 institutions. The University Grants Committee (UGC) has allocated $10 million to a deeper collaboration project that will further expand the HKALL service to all 8 UGC-funded institutions in September 2005.

- The Libraries installed an IBM Xeon Server with 3 TB of hard disk, storing 280,000 Chinese e-book titles from the SuperStar Collection. It is planned that other libraries in Hong Kong will access those e-books via the server eventually. We hosted a launching ceremony on March 22, 2005 and representatives from local libraries attended to talks and demonstrations on the e-books.
• Effective November 1, 2004 all students studying higher degrees including postgraduate diplomas and certificates, UGC-funded or self-funded programmes were eligible to apply for borrowers’ tickets in libraries of other UGC-funded institutions.

Communications with Hong Kong community and China

• We delivered a record high number of library tours. A total of 2,876 visitors from the university, secondary schools and organisations participated in 179 sessions that added up to 141.58 hours.

• In addition to regular library visits, Special Collections received a group of secondary school students in support of the Inter-school Competition of Study Projects on Hong Kong History and Culture organised by the government.

• Our Special Collections were consulted by:
  - Hong Kong Museum of History for their publication, *Lei Cheng Uk Han Tomb*.
  - ATV for their documentary TV series of the Japanese occupation.
  - Guangdong Committee of China, People’s Political Consultation Conference, Dongguan Branch for their Local History Project.
  - Lingnan University for their Exhibitions on Tuen Mun Heritage.

• Music Library arranged an open house on October 16, 2004 with an exhibition of 20th century scores. The Library also participated in “A Day of Music” project jointly organised by the Department of Music and the Consulate General of Switzerland on February 22, 2005, designed to introduce Hong Kong students to university life through music.

• C. Y. Lai, Head of our Bindery, gave lectures to the Hong Kong Archives Society.

Collaboration with Hong Kong and China

• We continued to benefit from our participation in the JULAC Collaborative Development Committee and international
consortia on consortial purchase. 10 new joint-purchase agreements for electronic resources were negotiated and we participated in a joint tender to purchase books published in North America and the UK.

• The Cataloguing Team continued to be a prime source of record sharing for JULAC libraries. A new collaboration was the shared cataloguing of local TV programmes. We also participated in the project of maintaining UTF-8 Mapping Table for Hong Kong Innovative Users Group (HKIUG) Libraries.

• The Bindery continued to offer work to members of the St. James’ Settlement.

• Special Collections completed the “Union Catalogue of Chinese Genealogies” project with Shanghai Library and collaborated with Hong Kong Film Archive to convert 59 reels of films from Sir Lindsay Ride Collection to viewable format.

• Deputy Librarian, Peter Sidorko, and Fung Ping Shan Librarian, Dr Y.C. Wan, visited the Peking University Library and Tsinghua University Library respectively for two weeks on the staff exchange programme.

• Fung Ping Shan Library maintained close partnerships with various academic libraries in the Mainland and Taiwan:
  - Reciprocal ILL arrangement: Peking University, Tsinghua University, National Taiwan University and National Cheng Chi University Libraries.
  - Database creation: Jinan University Library.
  - Book digitisation: Zhejiang University Libraries. We provided 60,000 volumes of books for digitisation in Shenzhen.
  - Fung Ping Shan Librarian, Dr Y.C. Wan fostered relationships with librarians in Urumqi, Beijing, Nanjing, Xiamen and Taipei during his visits to libraries in these places.

Community services

• Julia L.Y. Chan served as the Honourary Librarian, Royal Asiatic Society (Hong Kong Branch); Medical, Health and Welfare Liaison Officer, Hong Kong Library Association, January 2003 to December 2004; President, Hong Kong Library Association, January 2004 to December 2005.
• Dr Anthony W. Ferguson served as the President, Hong Kong Library Association, 2003-5; Co-organiser of the Beijing Library Service and Development Innovation Forum sponsored by the Library of the Chinese Academy of Sciences; Member of the HKSAR Home Affairs Bureau, Culture Section, Committee on Libraries; Chair of the University of Queensland Library, External Review Team; Convener of the Pacific Rim Digital Library Alliance; Asia Pacific Representative to the On-line Computer Library Council Members Council; and lay leader of the Peninsula II Homantin Branch of The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-Day Saints.

• Dr K.M. Ku served as an Editorial Board Member, International Journal of Computational Intelligence; Council Member, Hong Kong Library Association and Organising Committee Member, IASL Conference 2005.

• Annabelle Pau served as the Academic Libraries Liaison Office, Hong Kong Library Association, September to December 2004 and Honourary Secretary, Hong Kong Library Association, January to August 2005.

• Iris Sin served as the Programme Coordinator, Hong Kong Library Association, July to October 2004.

• Lucinda K.P. Wong served as the Honourary Secretary, Hong Kong Library Association, September to December 2004 and Academic Libraries Liaison Officer, Hong Kong Library Association, January to August 2005.
10 interesting book talks
attended by 1,500 friends of the Libraries
Develop and Support “The University Family”

This past year most of our efforts to support members of the University Family, outside the teaching-learning-research spheres, centred on increasing the quantity and quality of interactions with the alumni, members of the Hong Kong community who are supporters of the University, and of course our own students and teachers; seeking input from members of the University Family on how the Libraries could better meet their needs; and obtaining both in-kind and monetary contributions to better meet the needs of our users.

Increasing the quantity and quality of interactions with our patrons

- A very successful series of Book Talks was attended by nearly 1,500 students, alumni and members of the general Hong Kong community. Our purpose, in addition to inviting authors to talk about their books, is to invite interesting people to talk about books that interest them:
  - Modern history of Hong Kong /


- Hong Kong style 《香港風格》/ Mathias Woo. Speaker: Mathias Woo (胡恩威). April 7, 2005.


- Wild grass: China’s revolution from below / Ian Johnson. Speaker: Ian Johnson. 5 May, 2005.

- A very active display and exhibition programme designed to encourage reading:

  - Hong Kong and chinese culture: Turnover of the Sir Lindsay T. Ride Collection 《賴廉士爵士特藏》, Hungry Ghost Festival, 90th anniversary of the Hong Kong Football Association, New Year’s daffodils, Rural education in China, World heritage sites in China, and photograph and poetry display.

  - Community issues: Slope safety, Hong Kong climate and sea level changes, and public transportation in Hong Kong.

  - Student interests: E-books, new student orientation, importance of reading and Chinese Olympic gold medallists.

  - International awareness: Australian countryside, China Brazil earth resources satellite, Parisian culture, and French psychoanalysis.

- Increased the breadth and depth of electronic resources made available to our alumni:

  - Alumni who are Circle of Friends members have access to more than 160 databases, 18,000 e-journals and 332,000 e-books.

  - Signed up more than 700 individual
and corporate Circle of Friends members, an overall increase of 29% over the previous year:

- Much of the increase came from large numbers of alumni joining the Circle, resulting in a 76% growth in the alumni component of Friends.

- Opened our Student Learning Centre:
  
  - Students can relax with friends or a good book in the Leisure Reading Room from morning until late at night. They can use the 24-hour Group Study Area to meet around one of the many small group study tables or, if alone, to study in one of the study carrels located there. Drinks and snacks can be purchased from the vending machines in the Centre for consumption in either the Group Study or Leisure Reading areas.

Seeking input from members of the University Family

- Invited representatives from the faculties and the Student Union to join us in our Libraries Annual Planning Retreat as a means of sharing with them our challenges and accomplishments as well as gathering suggestions on how we might improve our services.

- Held informal meeting with representatives from the following faculty-based student associations to better understand their needs: Law, Education, Medical, Dental, and Postgraduate Student Association. Follow up actions were taken by corresponding departments as a result from the feedbacks gathered.

Engaging the community in a variety of programmes throughout the year to help it become more aware of the Libraries

- Introduced our “School Visit and 3-Day Pass” programme to 3 separate schools during the year: German-Swiss International School; the Sacred Heart Canossian College; and the Yew Chung International School. We also held a year-round exhibition on English literature in St. Paul’s Co-educational College.

- Invited National Olympic Gold Medallists to be photographed and featured on the HKUL Reading Club’s READ posters to promote
Obtaining both in-kind and monetary contributions to better meet the needs of our users

- Raised more than $700,000 through the Circle of Friends.
- Awarded $49,000 from the University Annual Giving programme.
- Received $40,000 from Elsevier Asia Pacific in support of our Annual Leadership Institute.
- Gained sponsorship from iGroup (Asia Pacific) Ltd. for the participation of the Institute’s convener, Arnold Hirshon, Executive Director of the New England Library Network, Boston, US.
- Acquired 37,312 volumes as gifts including an excellent collection of 6,800 books from the Kwang Hwa Information and Culture Center. Some of these are added to our collection while others are used in our gift and exchange programme for materials sent to us by libraries in China and other parts of the world.
- Received from iGroup (Asia Pacific) Ltd. a $225,000 IBM x345Server for our e-books project.
Regional and global impact through library staff members presenting at conferences in places such as Bangkok, Melbourne, Missouri and Shandong
Our Staff: Scholarship and Dedication

Research output
(China, Hong Kong, Taiwan)

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Editorship and keynote speeches:
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Joan Sia. 1st year Sacred Music Training Course (Ogan), Sacred Music Commission, Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong, June 2004.


Tai Lum. MS Excel Macro & Programming Using VBA Training, June 2005.


Tina Tam Ching-kuen (Library Assistant I)
Tang Kwun-hung (Library Assistant II)
Wong Chee-bor (Library Assistant III)
Joseph Yu Chong-lam (SLA)

Competency transfers
Linda Chan (Library Assistant II) to Acquisitions/Western Cataloguing
Chloe Cheng (Library Assistant II) to AV & Reserve Collection
June Leung (Library Assistant III) to Reformatting Team, Systems
Tai Lum (Library Assistant II) to Systems

Farewell
Cheung Sau-kuen (Cleaner). 19 years of service.
Ada Leung Lai-yiu (Bookbinder). 16 years of service.
Francis Poon Wing-keung (Library Assistant I). 37 years of service.
Lawrence Tam Wai-hong (Deputy Librarian). 10 years of service.
Yuan Ying-haw (Assistant Librarian II). 35 years of service.

Resignations
Sally Ho Yun-hing (Library Assistant II)
Alan Lee Siu-lun (Technician)
Iris Sin Fung-siu (Computer Technician II)
Library materials borrowed: 1,414,857
Statistics

Did you know we . . .

Purchased more than 58,000 monograph titles and 4,000 non-book titles
Circulated more than 1.4 million items
Loaned 22,000 items to other libraries
Served an average of 3,959 users a day, according to our security gate count
Conducted 179 tours for students, faculty, staff and visiting dignitaries
Answered 60,000 reference and directional questions
Opened the main library 92 hours each week during term time.

A. Volumes in the Libraries

B. Who uses our Libraries
C. How we spent our acquisitions dollars

- Electronic Resources: 24.5%
- Journals: 43.6%
- Books: 23.7%
- Others: 8.2%

D. Staffing in the Libraries

- Professional Staff (FTE): 35
- Support Staff (FTE): 215.58
  (16.33 hourly-paid FTE is added)

E. Library materials use statistics

- Items checked out: 1,396,160
- Manual loans: 18,697
- Items read in-house: 655,698
- Total: 2,070,555

F. Interlibrary loan transactions with other libraries

- ILL Items Loaned: 22,528
- ILL Items Borrowed: 18,619
- Total: 41,147
Notable Acquisitions


《宋集珍本叢刊》是一套保存宋代文集珍稀版本的大型斷代文集叢書，依據四川大學古籍研究所20餘年來收集得960種宋代珍本文獻中精選而成。全書共選錄宋人別集、總集405種,包括明清以來相傳故物、宮廷內府所藏、著名學者批校、藏家手錄孤本。


10,000 experts authored more than 50,000 biographies of the men and women who shaped all aspects of Britain’s past, from the fourth century BC to the year 2001.


This 10-volume set, edited by Hari Singh Nalwa with a forward by Richard Smalley, a Nobel Prize Laureate, is an unprecedented definitive reference source that provides an overview of emerging aspects of nanotechnology.

Micromedex Healthcare Series Online provides instant answers on drugs, disease management and acute care medicine. Includes extensive graphics and tables, and comparative drug summaries. Our subscription to this resource begins June 2005.

SpringerLinK. Berlin: Springer-Verlag, 1998-

The SpringerLinK makes available all journal titles published by Springer, a premier global publisher of scientific, medical and professional publications. It offers over 1,300 titles, including the imprints of Springer, Kluwer and Brill.

JSTOR. Arts & Sciences IV, Arts & Sciences Complement and Biological Sciences Collections. New York, N.Y. : JSTOR.

Law, psychology, and public policy and administration are the new areas introduced with this collection. The Complement adds a further 150 titles. Biological Sciences Collection covers fields such as biodiversity and conservation, cell biology and zoology.

SuperStar Digital Library 超星數字圖書館. 北京: 超星公司 1999-

An extensive and mainly retrospective collection of Chinese electronic books published in China. The collection covers 20 subject categories, including Chinese medicine, literature and history, law and politics.
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The Center for Northeast Asian Studies, Tohoku University
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An error appears on the chart “Who uses our Libraries” on page 32. The title for the X-axis should be labelled **number of items circulated (excluding manual loans)**.

An error appears in the pie chart C. “How we spent our acquisitions dollars” on page 33. The Electronic Resources contributes 43.6% and Journals 24.5%.