
THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG LIBRARIES

Annual Report 2015



As a central player in the intellectual environment at The University of Hong Kong, the Libraries will be recognized on campus, regionally and internationally for its outstanding collections, client-centred services and innovative approaches that

contribute to the
**TEACHING, LEARNING, RESEARCH
AND KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE**
pursuits of the University.



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LIBRARIAN'S Review

Librarian's Review 2014-2015

This year the Libraries reached a collection landmark that was met with very little fanfare. We acquired our 3 millionth print volume. This was a far cry from the celebrations we enjoyed in 2002 when we acquired our 2 millionth volume and which was welcomed through a seminar involving world library leaders, a large gathering in Loke Yew Hall with a speech by Anson Chan as well as others, and concluding with a reception at the University Lodge. Today, of course, academic and research libraries are rarely measured in terms of the number of volumes they can acquire. Rather, they are judged on the *quality* of their collections, be they print, electronic or digital, the extent of their collaborations and how these improve their users access to a larger world of these resources. They are also judged on the value they contribute towards the institution's missions and vision, through teaching, learning and research support as well as knowledge exchange.

While this annual report will serve to demonstrate how the Libraries contribute to the University in these areas, I must also note that we did acquire a number of notable acquisitions that are described in a later section of this report. Of particular significance is the receipt of *Pandectarvm Iuris Civilis libri qvinqvaginto*, a 6-volume set which is one of the four parts constituting the Corpus Juris (or Iuris) Civilis ("Body of Civil Law"), a collection of fundamental works in jurisprudence, issued from 529 to 534 by order of the Byzantine emperor Justinian I. With this edition published in 1550 these volumes become the oldest Western language books to be held in the HKU Libraries. These, as well as several other precious volumes, were donated by Professor Anselmo Reyes to the Faculty of Law, which in turn donated them to the Law Library and which now reside in the Rare Book Room in Special Collections in the Main Library. It is indeed rare that such a treat befalls us and we are deeply indebted for this generosity.

The year also saw the commencement of major renovation works including the new Main Library entrance on the 2nd floor of the new wing and a major cyclical renovation project to improve the infrastructure of the old wing. While these projects will take months to complete, they promise to improve the overall ambience, health and convenience for all who enter the Main Library. Further renovations, furniture enhancements and collection redistributions will occur as a result of these two projects ensuring that the Main Library will be capable of supporting student and faculty learning and research needs in an ever evolving environment.

The Library continues to play an active leadership role in Hong Kong, the region as well as globally.

Nowhere is this more obvious than in our contributions to sharing cataloguing records through OCLC (The Online Computer Library Center, Inc.) which is a member-led and member-driven library consortium with over 16,000 members in 113 countries and whose principle aims are to further access to the world’s information and to reduce information costs. Once again HKU Libraries was the world’s number one contributor of original cataloguing records to OCLC’s WorldCat, a feat that is testament to our leadership and world contribution as well as our hardworking cataloguing staff.

Locally, we received a gold award for the Libraries’ website <<http://lib.hku.hk/>> in the Hong Kong Web Accessibility Recognition Scheme, 2015. The Scheme, jointly organised by the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer (OGCIO) and the Equal Opportunities Commission (EOC), recognises organisations that ensure their websites and apps are accessible by those with disabilities, especially those with visual impairment. The recognition through this award demonstrates the Libraries’ continuing commitment to ensuring “inclusive and diverse physical and virtual environments” as outlined in our Strategic Plan.

All Library staff should take pride in these achievements as well as the many others that are noted throughout this report. Their dedication to the Libraries and the University’s mission are reflected in the successes we have enjoyed this past year. I trust you will enjoy reading about these successes and will continue to support our Libraries in the years to come.



EXCELLENCE & INNOVATION
in Teaching,
Learning
& Research

In order to advance our Vision and Mission, our activities are founded upon five strategic objectives that will form the basis of our strategic direction for the coming five years. These are:



1 Resources

Ensure access to a rich and diverse base of **resources** that serve to enhance the University’s endeavours;

2 Services

Provide **services** that support the full range of the University’s activities and facilitate user independence;

3 Environments

Ensure inclusive and diverse physical and virtual **environments** that enable active, independent and collaborative learning;

4 Community

Engage the broader **community** in programmes and collaborative initiatives that complement University priorities; and

5 Organisational Culture

Nurture an **organisational culture** that equips staff with the skills required to support a dynamic research library in a rapidly changing environment

Resources

Ensure access to a rich and diverse base of **resources** that serve to enhance the University’s endeavours

Based on the Libraries 2014 user survey, the reading preference for electronic books has increased by 7% and decreased by 8% for print books since 2013, suggesting the need for more e-books as we go forward. E-book usage is considerably high for the major providers, but evidence-based purchases driven by 100% usage demonstrates the highest return on investment for our expenditure. During this report year, the Collection Development Division led a project to review selected e-book collection usage to identify collection priorities, promote e-book use, and to address the demand for more gateways to e-books for the HKU community. The Collection Development Division initiated a round of consultations with students and faculty for needs and preference (print or electronic) to address unmet needs in textbook provision. Findings indicated that the Library has fulfilled all textbook needs of students.

The major area of development during 2014/15 was in demand-driven collection purchasing models for e-books. We successfully experimented with the transition from a print pick and choose title ordering process to a hybrid arrangement of traditional selection and demand driven selection based on actual demand and usage. The Libraries led the implementation of the JULAC’s (Joint University Librarians Advisory Committee) pilot of JSTOR (a digital library of primary sources, scholarly books and journals) Demand

Driven Acquisitions purchase model to leverage cost in building a shared e-book collection, and initiated an analysis that informed use distribution, expenditures, and subject priorities. The report was presented at the JULAC Forum in April 2015. The new model of selection and acquisition has extended the materials budget and broadened access to 34,889 e-book titles otherwise limited by ownership.

The Libraries encourages an e-preferred policy which improves accessibility on and off campus where possible. In 2014/15, the percentage of monograph collections in electronic books vs. print was 54 to 46 percent while the percentage of serials titles in electronic journals vs. print was 97 to 3 percent. The expenditure in print collections continues to shift toward electronic, and this trend is expected to continue with a higher percentage of the monographs budget spent on e-books over the coming years.

The Collection Development Division also collaborated with local and international consortia to evaluate, select, and acquire shared contents. \$5.7 million of savings were realised in 2014 primarily through JULAC’s Consortial Committee, including recent take-up of Alexander St. Press videos on demand as well as collections from JSTOR and Sage.





At the Branches

Following the Medical Library’s stocktake in late 2013, the Education, Law, Music, and Dental libraries performed stocktaking of their physical collections during 2014-15. These collections include books, bound journals, pamphlets, rare books, reference books, music scores, theses, audio-visual and other multimedia materials, comprising a total of 419,133 items on open shelves. The exercise helped provide reliable statistics on the status of the libraries’ collections, in addition it helped to identify and fix catalogue anomalies, and replace defective tags, which in turn enhanced security and traceability of library materials.

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Other *resource* notable areas in the Branches include:

- Procuring books for the Medical Library was changed to e-preferred, with electronic becoming the preferred format of books for the Medical Library
- The Music Library launched The University Anthem webpage. The webpage includes a brief introduction to the University Anthem, lyrics in three languages, the orchestral music and score by Professor Chan Hing-yan, the Chair of the Music Department <http://lib.hku.hk/muslib/HKUanthem.html>
- The Fung Ping Shan Library acquired more than 2 million catalogue records to enable readers to better search the China Doctoral/Master Dissertations Full-text Database using the library catalogue

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Special Collections continues to expand its collection receiving 58 boxes of materials donated from a number of friends and patrons including several noteworthy gifts:

- 2 boxes of Oxford and Cambridge Society of Hong Kong’s Archive from Mr Gordon Jones
- Colin Gimson’s research papers of Hong Kong during Japanese occupation (1941-1945) in 9 binders from Mr Robert Nield
- More than 400 landscape and infrastructure images of Hong Kong from Ms Heather Coulson

The Hong Kong Collection also saw an increase by 2,115 volumes (2%) in monographs and 1,201 bound volumes (2%) of periodicals.

To preserve collections for ease of access and longevity, in house scanning was carried out for these materials:

- Scores of the Li Caotian Collection [黎草田特藏]
- Very fragile Hong Kong closed stack materials *Fanling Hunt*
- Images of 212 flora paintings of the rare book *Flora Sinensis*
- 1,000 photos from the Hong Kong Tourism Board Collection
- 270 volumes of manuscripts
- 90 audio/video tapes/cassettes were converted to DVDs

Operational Priorities and Progress supporting the Libraries’ *Resources*

- Collection Development led a team to review the life-cycle processes of electronic-resources. Several issues of concern were identified and a set of questions developed to examine how electronic resources are currently managed and how the processes can be improved for greater efficiency and communication across departments. A report was submitted in March 2015.
- A team of conservators from the Preservation & Conservation Division completed a condition survey of the Fung Ping Shan Chinese rare book collection. More than 11,000 volumes were examined, assessed and documented, resulting in better access to the collection and the development of a system to prioritize future preservation needs of the collection.
- A team was convened to create a Hong Kong Images Database to promote the Hong Kong Collection. More than 9,000 photos were scanned and it is expected that more than 6,000 images can be released during the soft launch in early 2016.

Services

Provide **services** that support the full range of the University's activities and facilitate user independence

HKPages is a web resource developed by the Preservation & Conservation Division. HKPages includes book preservation guidelines, interactive care and handling tips and updates on a series of training opportunities. The overall aim of this project is to raise awareness of the need for preservation and to provide access to basic information that will benefit the greater University community, as well as local libraries, archives, collectors and individuals. Initial funding was granted from the HKU Knowledge Exchange Office.
<http://lib.hku.hk/hkpages/>

WhatsApp-a-Librarian was launched in July 2014 in response to the need for speedy responses to patrons' enquiries. The service runs from Monday to Friday, 9 am to 5 pm, with a performance pledge of 4 hours. A total of 637 enquiries were answered in the first year of the service. 66% of these enquiries were related to services while 31% were related to searching. WhatsApp-a-Librarian replaced Text-a-Librarian, the SMS enquiry service, which was introduced in 2008.

The Libraries renewed the Turnitin license from 2014 to 2017. As of June 2015, there were 1,853 active instructors,

compared to 1,490 in June 2014. From July 2014 to June 2015, 120,373 Originality Reports were generated. The latest figures show that more originality reports are generated every hour (13.7 reports per hour against 11 reports during the previous year). The Library continues to play a coordinating role, collaborating with various parties, such as CETL (Centre for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning), ITS (Information Technology Services) and HKU SPACE in offering Turnitin services campus-wide. From July 2014 to June 2015, the Turnitin Administrator dealt with 544 enquiries and offered six seminars to 120 students.

Our Information Services Division launched a research seminar series in January for undergraduate and postgraduate students. Journal authors and renowned publishers from different disciplines were invited to share tips on writing academic articles and publishing. The series of five research seminars were well-received by students and young researchers. A total of 160 customised training sessions spanning the 10 Faculties were offered to 3,976 participants during the year. This represents a 37% increase in terms of number of sessions and a 15% increase in terms of participants compared to last year.

At the Branches

Each of the six branch Libraries supported their faculties by providing Dragon, Endnote, Turnitin, and other useful training workshops and classes for undergraduate and postgraduate students.

In support of the faculty's research needs, the Law Library launched a blog on law journals table-of-contents in February 2015. This monthly blog <<http://lib.hku.hk/cdblog/?tag=table-of-contents/>> is based on 276 top ranked law journals from the ARC (Australian Research Council) journal list and Asian law related journals selected by faculty members and provides a convenient one-stop site for researchers to keep up with current legal literature.



Operational Priorities and Progress supporting the Libraries' Services

- Acknowledging the importance of good practice in research data and records management, we are establishing a framework for providing research data management services to HKU researchers.
- A review of the library advisory services at the Centennial Campus Chi Wah Learning Commons was completed. As a result, the service was replaced with the WhatsApp-a-Librarian service.
- We reviewed the Electronic Resources web page to enhance its visibility and to facilitate its access. For sustainable development of this web page, a team will be formed to coordinate with Faculty Librarians the updating of the resources and to make recommendations on future enhancements.
- A team is developing a mobile device app that facilitates locating library materials. Groundwork preparation has been completed for this with a beta version expected to be available for the Medical and Law Library collections during 2015-16.

Environments

Ensure inclusive and diverse physical and virtual **environments** that enable active, independent and collaborative learning

The Libraries website, lib.hku.hk, won the Gold award in 2015 for the “Web Accessibility Campaign” organised by Office of Government Chief Information Officer (OGCIO).

The Libraries’ Technology Support Services team continues to improve, upgrade and deliver technology services to the Libraries’ community of users.

Some of these improvements include:

- Adopting the open source content management system software “Drupal” for the Libraries’ website
- Enhancing the Book Recommendation Online (BRO) system
- Enhancing the network infrastructure
- Increasing the number of fixed / wireless access points to 478

The Education Library updated its online subject guides in March 2015 to ensure all information is up-to-date and all hyperlinks are accessible. The Library also plans to enrich these subject guides by adding more subject-specific information to promote the use of online library resources.

To improve the learning environment and space management of the Main Library, some space re-organization on the 4th floor was carried out in early 2015 during the renovation of the Office of the Librarian and Library Administration. This created an additional 20 study places after the renovation was completed.

Construction work for a new entrance for the Main Library commenced in June 2015 and is scheduled for completion in early 2016. To be located at the west side of the New Wing on the 2nd floor, the new entrance will provide ready access to University Street, the Centennial Campus and the MTR station <<http://lib.hku.hk/nmle.html>>, as well as improve the Main Library environment through a more pleasant and welcoming entrance.

Operational Priorities and Progress supporting the Libraries’ *Environments*

- The team responsible for the Cyclical Maintenance of the Old Library Building continued the project planning and implementation in collaboration with the Estates Office. The work started in mid-2015 and is scheduled for completion by early 2016 covering a period of 7.5 months. The scope of works will include inspection, repair and improvement for the building exterior structure and windows, facilities on the rooftop, water supply pipes and drain pipes, and aging ceiling tiles and carpet. <http://lib.hku.hk/cmp>

Community

Engage the broader **community** in programmes and collaborative initiatives that complement University priorities

Library tours were conducted for members of the local community

- 363 local visitors toured the Main Library
- 2 staff members from South Island School visited the Law Library – 24 March 2015
- 40 alumni and family members of MBBS class 1999 – 20 September 2014
- 40 alumni and family members of MBBS class 1994 – 23 November 2014
- Five Secondary School Principals – 26 February 2015
- Three visitors from the Consulate General of Hungary – 2 March 2015
- Six music students from HKU Space/Kingston University visited the Music Library – 13 May 2015.

Exhibitions

6 – 24 October 2014
Scholarly and Art works
by Wu Lu Zhuangyuan

5 – 17 October 2014
Hong Kong Institute of Professional Photographers


5 – 21 November 2014
Equal Opportunity

10 – 21 November 2014
Jorge Borges

24 November – 5 December 2014
Central Resources Centre, Education Bureau Services and Resources

Book Sale

5 – 6 March 2015
The Libraries’ Annual Used Book Sale



Used Book SALE

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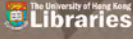
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Book Talks

30 October 2014 Macao - People and Places, Past and Present http://lib.hku.hk/friends/reading_club/bt2014_04.html	5 February 2015 Old Hong Kong http://lib.hku.hk/friends/reading_club/bt2015_01.html
13 November 2014 History and Popular Memory: The Power of Story in Moments of Crisis http://lib.hku.hk/friends/reading_club/bt2014_05.html	5 March 2015 Proverse Prize Library Talk (The International Proverse Prize for Unpublished Writing) http://lib.hku.hk/friends/reading_club/bt2015_02.html
20 November 2014 Migration and Theatre http://lib.hku.hk/friends/reading_club/bt2014_06.html	26 March 2015 Philosophy of Fearism http://lib.hku.hk/friends/reading_club/bt2015_03.html
4 December 2014 The Heart Sutra and Beyond http://lib.hku.hk/friends/reading_club/bt2014_07.html	30 April 2015 A Chance Kill http://lib.hku.hk/friends/reading_club/bt2015_04.html

Talks at the Libraries



Music Library

Jointly organized by the General Education Unit and the University of Hong Kong Libraries, *A Night at the Library with the Guqin and Tea* was the first event of its kind held in the Music Library on 10 February 2015. The event attracted over 30 students and guests giving them an opportunity to listen to guqin music (the seven-stringed zither) and enjoy cups of freshly brewed Chinese tea.



Dr Tse Chun-yan and Mr Tommy Ng talked about guqin music and Chinese tea culture respectively. Dr Tse performed six pieces with the guqin mounted with silk strings. Mr Ng discussed tea in its relationship to Chinese culture and shared his fine tea collections with the audience.

In addition to the performance and tea tasting, selected CDs and books of guqin music and Chinese tea from the HKU Libraries collections were displayed.

Operational Priorities and Progress supporting the Libraries' Community Programmes

- We held the 13th Annual Library Leadership Institute on 24-28 April 2015 in Xiamen, in conjunction with Xiamen University Library. A total of 42 participants attended the 5-day residential institute this year, including 11 from the Mainland, 4 from Taiwan, 14 from Hong Kong, 2 from Korea, 4 from Malaysia, 5 from the Philippines and 1 each from Indonesia and the United States. The institute was facilitated by Professor Paul Gandel, School of Information Studies at Syracuse University, and Dr Arnold Hirshon, Vice Provost and University Librarian of Case Western Reserve University.

Organisational Culture

Nurture an **organisational culture** that equips staff with the skills required to support a dynamic research library in a rapidly changing environment

During the year, the Libraries arranged and supported several skills training sessions for staff. With the help of our Staff Committee team and each of our divisions, a number of training and sharing sessions were arranged. Training and sharing sessions included:

- Quality Customer Services Training
- The Manager-Employee Relationship: The Bottom Line for Engagement
- Faronics Insight User Training (Classroom Management System)
- WebCMS User Training
- Computer Safety
- Web & PDF Accessibility Training
- Common JULAC (Joint University Librarians Advisory Committee) card in-house web application development & hardware setup
- Sharing session on topics from the “DuraSpace Summit Meeting” and a visit to the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

At the professional development level, Andy Choi Kwing-yin received a Master of Science (Library and Information Management) from The University of Hong Kong

Operational Priorities and Progress supporting the Libraries' Organisational Culture

- The survey on the longitudinal impact of the HKU Annual Library Leadership Institute was completed. The overall feedback is encouraging. The survey report was produced and the article on the study is being processed and intended to be published in an international academic journal.
- To improve internal communications at the Libraries, the Staff Committee and other members focused on identifying and recommending the best channels of internal communication with today's social media tools. After, discussion, selection and testing, Facebook Secret Group and Whatsapp group for individual divisions were recommended over other available tools. Both Facebook Secret Group and Whatsapp group are very popular and commonly used and allow colleagues to share experiences and suggestions and to be easily informed on staff related matters.

Staff Matters

Promotions and Service Awards

Promotions

Fred Chan Hing-fong (Assistant Librarian II), Information Services
Edith Chan Kwok-lan (Assistant Librarian I), Technology Support Services
Ku Kam-ming (Associate Librarian), Technology Support Services
Carol Lam Lai-wai (Administrative Assistant), Acquisitions
Gigi Tse Yun-yee (Library Assistant I), Western and Electronic Resources Cataloguing
Diana Tsui Po-ling (Assistant Librarian I), Information Services
Lucinda Wong Kit-ping (Associate Librarian), Medical Library
Yuen Kwok-wai (Library Assistant), Medical Library

Long Service Awards

35 years

Joseph Yu Chong-lam (Senior Library Assistant), Lending Services

25 years

Chan Wai-ming (Assistant Librarian I), CJK and AV Cataloguing
Fanny Ng Fung-lin (Library Assistant II), Education Library
Diana Tsui Po-ling (Assistant Librarian I), Information Services

15 years

Andy Choi Kwing-yin (IT Officer), Technology Support Services
Ho Kam-yau (Library Assistant), Preservation and Conservation
Tina Yang Tao (Assistant Librarian I), Information Services
Marina Yeung Sau-ting (Library Assistant), Public Relations and Development

New Appointments

Mimi Lee Oi-yi (Junior Library Assistant), Lending Services
Lee See-wing (Junior Library Assistant), Lending Services
Jacky Li Chun-kei (Library Assistant), Lending Services

Transfers

Edith Chan Kwok-lan (Assistant Librarian I), Technology Support Services/Special Collections
Choi Ming-kit (Library Assistant I), Music Library
Thomas Hung Wai-pui (Associate Librarian), Technical Services
Eliot Liu Zhaohua (Library Assistant), Western and Electronic Resources Cataloguing
Ivan Lo Lap-kei (Library Assistant), Acquisitions
Vivian So Wing-yan (Assistant Librarian II), Lending Services/Special Collections
Esther Woo Mei-wa (Associate Librarian), Lending Services
Joanne Woo Mun-che (Library Assistant III), CJK and AV Cataloguing
Robert Yeung Man-kin (Junior Library Assistant), Lending Services

Placements and Internships for Library Science Students

Lucia Bersotti (Preservation and Conservation), HKU SPACE/Charles Sturt University
Cheryl Shu Chang (Technology Support Services), HKU Faculty of Education
Rex Chung (Education Library), HKU SPACE/Charles Sturt University
Alex Wang Peng (Technology Support Services), HKU Faculty of Education

Farewell

Maggie Chan Ka Yin (Junior Library Assistant), Lending Services
Bernice Kiu Hei Ting (Junior Library Assistant), Lending Services
Janny Lai Kei (Assistant Librarian I), Acquisitions
Lam Tung-yin (Library Assistant), Acquisitions
Leung Kwan-ling (Library Assistant III), Lending Services
May Leung Mei-wah (Library Assistant I), Acquisitions/Lending Services
David T. Palmer (Associate Librarian), Digital Strategy and Technical Services
Lincoln Tang Kwun-hung (Library Assistant II), Law Library
Carmen Tsang Yuen-yau (Assistant Librarian I), Acquisitions
Wendy Wong Nga-man (Library Assistant), Education Library
Aggie Wong Yuen-ting (Library Assistant), Music Library
Ruth Wong Shuk-ching (Associate Librarian), Medical Library



Local Knowledge Exchange

Sharing expertise with others in the local community

Beenk, J. Collaboration on emergency preparedness, *Joint University Librarians Advisory Committee (JULAC) Forum*, Hong Kong Institute of Education, April 2015.

Chan, E. Honorary Librarian, Royal Asiatic Society (Hong Kong Branch).

Chan, F.H.F. Campus collaboration for data management, *Joint University Librarians Advisory Committee (JULAC) Forum*, Hong Kong Institute of Education, April 2015. <http://hub.hku.hk/handle/10722/209960>

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Chan, G.R.Y.C. & Lai, K. Can everyone benefit? A Report of JULAC's Joint DDA Project, *Joint University Librarians Advisory Committee (JULAC) Forum*, Hong Kong Institute of Education, April 2015.

Chan, G.R.Y.C. Member, JULAC Consortiall Committee 2013 –.

Ku, K.M., Sung Jimmy & Chan Eunice Sharing on TSS Services with visitors from Japan Association of Private Universities, The University of Hong Kong, November 2014.

KNOWLEDGE Exchange



Ku, K.M. & Chan, Eunice Big Data application for improving Dragon system, “The Age of Big Data” (CCST9047) students, The University of Hong Kong, April 2015.

Ku, K.M., Sung Jimmy & Chan Eunice Sharing on TSS Services with visitors from Myanmar, The University of Hong Kong, June 2015.

Ku, K.M., Sung Jimmy & Chan Eunice Sharing on TSS Services with visitors from Fudan University, The University of Hong Kong, July 2015.

Ng, Kenelm Sharing on JULAC Staff Development Portal, *Joint University Librarians Advisory Committee (JULAC) Forum*, Hong Kong Institute of Education, April 2015.

Shieh, I. Presentation on towards inclusiveness: Disabled user support in HKU Libraries, *Disability Rights Workshop*, *Centre for Comparative & Public Law, Law Faculty*, The University of Hong Kong, October 2014.

Sidorko, P.E. Overview of JULAC activities 2014/15, *Joint University Librarians Advisory Committee (JULAC) Forum*, Hong Kong Institute of Education, April 2015.

Sidorko, P.E. Closing Panel Discussion, Digital Generations – Learning Society: *Centre for Information Technology in Education (CITE) Research Symposium 2015 (CITERS 2015)*, The University of Hong Kong, 29 – 30 May 2015. <http://citers2015.cite.hku.hk/>

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Wan, Y.C. & Yiu, A.C.H. Supporting academic needs: the case of The University of Hong Kong Libraries, *Online Conference 2015: How to Support and Servicing Academic and Patron’s Needs*, May 2015.

Wan, Y.C. Participate and share: Hong Kong academic libraries and China Academic Digital Associative Library (CADAL), *10th Conference on Cooperative Development and Sharing of Chinese Resources*, October 2014.

Wan, Y.C. Part-time tutor for Certificate Course for Library Assistants, HKU SPACE.

Wan, Y.C. Member, Church Historical Archives Management Committee, Hong Kong Chinese Christian Union.

Y.Y. Kwan Guest speaker, Musical Exchange programme, RTHK Radio 4, hosted by Professor Chan Wing Wah, broadcasted on 14 July 2014.

Sharing information and resources with local libraries and other organisations

The Law, Education, and Music Libraries offered a job shadowing opportunity to two high school students from Renaissance College (啟新書院) for their WOW Work Experience Week, 17 – 21 November 2014. The ‘shadowing’ allowed the students to experience the daily workings of the Libraries.

The Preservation and Conservation Division co-organised two preservation workshops.

1. Emergency Response & Recovery for Collections

- Instructors: Priscilla Anderson (Harvard Library) & Jody Beenk (HKUL)
- Dates: 24 – 25 November 2014
- Co-Sponsors: Harvard Library: Weissman Preservation Center, SOMA
- Participants: 30 Participants from HKU, Chinese University, Baptist University, HKUST, PolyU, HKIEd, CityU, HSBC, Swire, Department of Justice Library, Manulife, Kowloon Chamber of Congress, AXA Art, The Hong Kong Heritage Project, LCSD Library, M+

2. Art Handling and Packing: Best Practice for the Safe Handling, Soft Packing and Transport of Art and Artifacts

- Instructor: Brent Powell
- Dates: 27 – 28 May and 1 – 2 June 2015
- Co-Sponsors: HKU Libraries, HKU Museum & Art Gallery, M+
- Participants: 30 people from libraries, museums, galleries, and art handling companies in Hong Kong

<http://citers2015.cite.hku.hk/>



We continue to share the Libraries’ collection with other local libraries through interlibrary loans and by making our resources available to faculty and students of the other UGC institutions. Our rich collection of Hong Kong materials are often called upon by students, media, museums, cultural institutions, and other organisations. Some examples are listed below:



- The lending of a book entitled *Volcanic Landforms and Surface Features: A Photographic Atlas and Glossary* to Asia Art Archive for an exhibition held at the Sheung Wan Library Space
- Provided access to students of the Chinese Foundation Secondary School for their project *To study how cultural tourism helps promoting sustainable tourism development through case of Wan Chai District* on 30 October 2014
- Provided access to students from the Immaculate Heart of Mary College for their research on the Swire Group on 23 February 2015
- Provided access to students from the Ju Ching Chu Secondary School (Yuen Long) for their project on the history about the implementation of the Hong Kong Identity Card on 14 August 2014
- Loaned 12 posters from the *2009 Hong Kong Marine Police Exhibition* to the Hong Kong Marine Police Retirees’ Association for their exhibition held in Cheung Chau Police Station from October 2014 to May 2015
- Loaned 2 rare books to the Hong Kong Heritage Museum for their exhibition *Dunhuang-Untold Tales, Untold Riches* from 1 November 2014 to 31 March 2015
- Loaned a libretto of Chinese opera to the Shaw College, the Chinese University of Hong Kong for their exhibition from 15 August 2014 to 2 Jan 2015
- Continued to loan 37 items of documents/artifacts from the *Hong Kong Stock Market Archives and Artifacts Collection* to the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited for the display in the Exchange Exhibition Hall till December 2015
- Provided a photo to the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine for publishing a book entitled: *125 Years of Anaesthesia in Hong Kong*

Regional Knowledge Exchange

Sharing expertise with others in the regional community

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Sharing information resources with libraries in the region

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The Libraries also continued with our relationship with our major exchange partners for Chinese books and journals, National Library of China, Shanghai Library, Fudan University Library, National Central Library (Taiwan), and Jing Tong Library.

In support of the Southern Medical University Library, Guangzhou, 276 boxes of English medical books & journals were donated in April 2015.

Under an annual exchange programme between HKUL and Fudan University Library, Ms Kitman Chan (Business and Economics Faculty Librarian, HKUL) and Ms Ying Jun (Deputy Head of Reference Department, Fudan University Library) participated in an exchange for a period of two weeks in April and May 2015.

Library tours conducted for visitors from the region

The Libraries continued to be very popular amongst visitors from the region. Our Information Services Division arranged 35 tours for 676 visitors from the region. Other divisions were also involved in conducting tours, including the following:

- Sixty-nine delegates, librarians, and visitors from the Legal Education Fund Limited (法律教育基金有限公司), Japan Association of Private University Libraries, and Jinan University (暨南大學), respectively, paid visits to the Law Library.
- The Medical Library received one hundred and eight delegates, teachers, and students from Peking Union Medical College, China Pharmaceutical University, Chengdu University of Traditional Chinese Medicine, Shenzhen Administration of Foreign Expert Affairs, Peking University, College of Nursing, Kaohsiung Medical University, and the Shanghai University of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Global Knowledge Exchange

Sharing expertise with others in the global community

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Sharing of information with libraries globally

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The Fung Ping Shan Library continued to select and catalogue Chinese materials for Cornell University Library and Columbia University Libraries (2CUL).

Library tours conducted for visitors from abroad

Our Information Services Division hosted tours for over 125 visitors, in 14 groups, from different parts of the world. The Dental, Education and Medical Libraries were also hosts to global visitors throughout the year.

The Dental Library hosted:

- Professor Joerg Meyle of the Dental School Justus-Liebig-University of Giessen, Germany on 26 August 2014
- Dr Arthur Nowak of the University of Iowa, USA on 29 August 2014
- Professor Amarsaikhan Bazar of the School of Dentistry, Mongolian National University of Medical Sciences, Mongolia on 19 June 2015

The Education Library welcomed several groups of visitors including:

- A delegation of 28 academics from Sukhothai Thammathirat Open University, Thailand on 28 October 2014
- A delegation of 16 academics from the English Language Education Study Programme of Sanata Dharma University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia on 16 December 2014
- 2 delegates from Korea University on 30 April 2015

The Medical Library welcomed:

- 3 delegates from Khon Kaen University, Thailand on 12 August 2014
- 2 delegates from the University of Birmingham on 14 May 2015
- 47 Form 5 and Form 6 students from local secondary schools as part of a Summer Institute Programme on 19 June 2015

TEN FACTS about the Libraries



Zi Jing Bian 《自警編》

Library catalogue: <http://library.hku.hk/record=b1727984>

1

The oldest book at The University of Hong Kong Libraries

Essays on Self-discipline (自警編 / *Zi jing bian*)

Printed in the year 1234, *Zi Jing Bian* is the oldest book in The University of Hong Kong Libraries collection. Compiled by Zhao Shanliao, a member of the Zhao family ruling the Northern Song Dynasty, it is a collection of sayings or deeds from scholars and statesmen from the Northern Song Dynasty, from 960 A.D. until its downfall in 1127 A.D. These sayings or deeds served not only as rules of conduct and behaviour for those who lived more than 800 years ago, but may also be relevant for people today.

2

The oldest Western language book at The University of Hong Kong Libraries

Pandectarvm Iuris Civilis libri qvinqvainto : nunc primùm cùm hac formæ venustate excusitum post omnium editiones, & Haloandri castigationem, ad librorum Florentinorum fidem immumeris in locis emendati. Omne autem institutum nostrum quod in hac editione sureauimus, ex epistola ad calcem primæ partis intelliges.

This 6-volume set is one of the four parts constituting the *Corpus Juris (or Iuris) Civilis* ("Body of Civil Law"), a collection of fundamental works in jurisprudence, issued from 529 to 534 by order of the Byzantine emperor Justinian I. The other parts are: *Code (Codex)*, *Institutes (Institutiones)*, the *Novellae Constitutiones (Novels, literally New Laws)*. *The Pandectae*, or commonly referred to as *Digesta*, was completed in 533. It is a collection of Roman juristic writings, mostly dating back to the second and third centuries. Fragments were taken out of various legal treatises and opinions were inserted in the Digest. Though in their original context, the statements of the law contained in these fragments were private opinions of legal scholars.



Lvgdvni :
Apud Guielmum Rouillium,
sub scuto Veneta, 1550–[1551]

Library catalogue: <http://library.hku.hk/record=b5542281>

Published in 1551, this set is the oldest Western language book owned by the University Libraries. It is one of the eleven titles from the collection of antiquarian books donated by Professor Anselmo Reyes in 2014 to the HKU Faculty of Law, which in turn donated it to the Law Library.



3

The library was first opened in 1912. It is the first and the oldest academic library in Hong Kong.

4

Mr Fung Ping Shan donated a library building to the University for setting a Chinese library. Opened by Sir William Peel in December 1932, the Fung Ping Shan Library is the first library in Hong Kong provided with a purpose-built library building.

5

During the Japanese Occupation, the library helped preserve 240,000 volumes that were transferred to the library from private and institutional libraries in Hong Kong. These books were returned to their owners after the war. <http://lib.hku.hk/hkul100/hd.html>

6

The Education Library is housed in the former Council Chamber of The University of Hong Kong.

7

The Hon Mr Andrew Li, Chief Justice of the Court of Final Appeal (1997-2010), donated his court dresses to The University of Hong Kong after his retirement. The Lui Che Woo Law Library is now the permanent home to his judicial robe from the Court of Final Appeal.



8

Ever wondered what an early dental apparatus looked like? **The Dental Library has a most unusual artefact: a foot operated dental drill acquired in 1981.** It is powered by pushing the foot pedal up and down to remove decayed matter from the teeth. It is also known as a treadle drill which was invented in 1871 by American dentist, James Beall Morrison (1829-1917).

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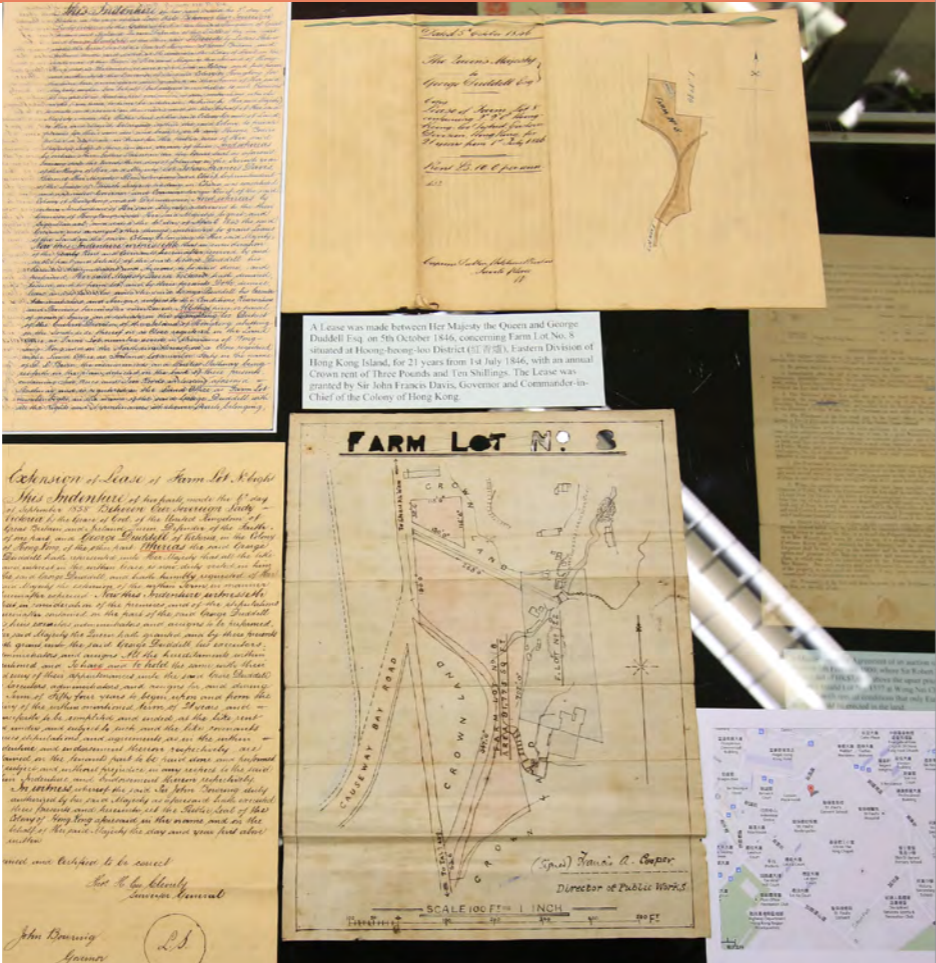
The MTR's HKU Station Mural, *The First One Hundred Years of The University of Hong Kong* **has the Libraries pictured more than ten times.**





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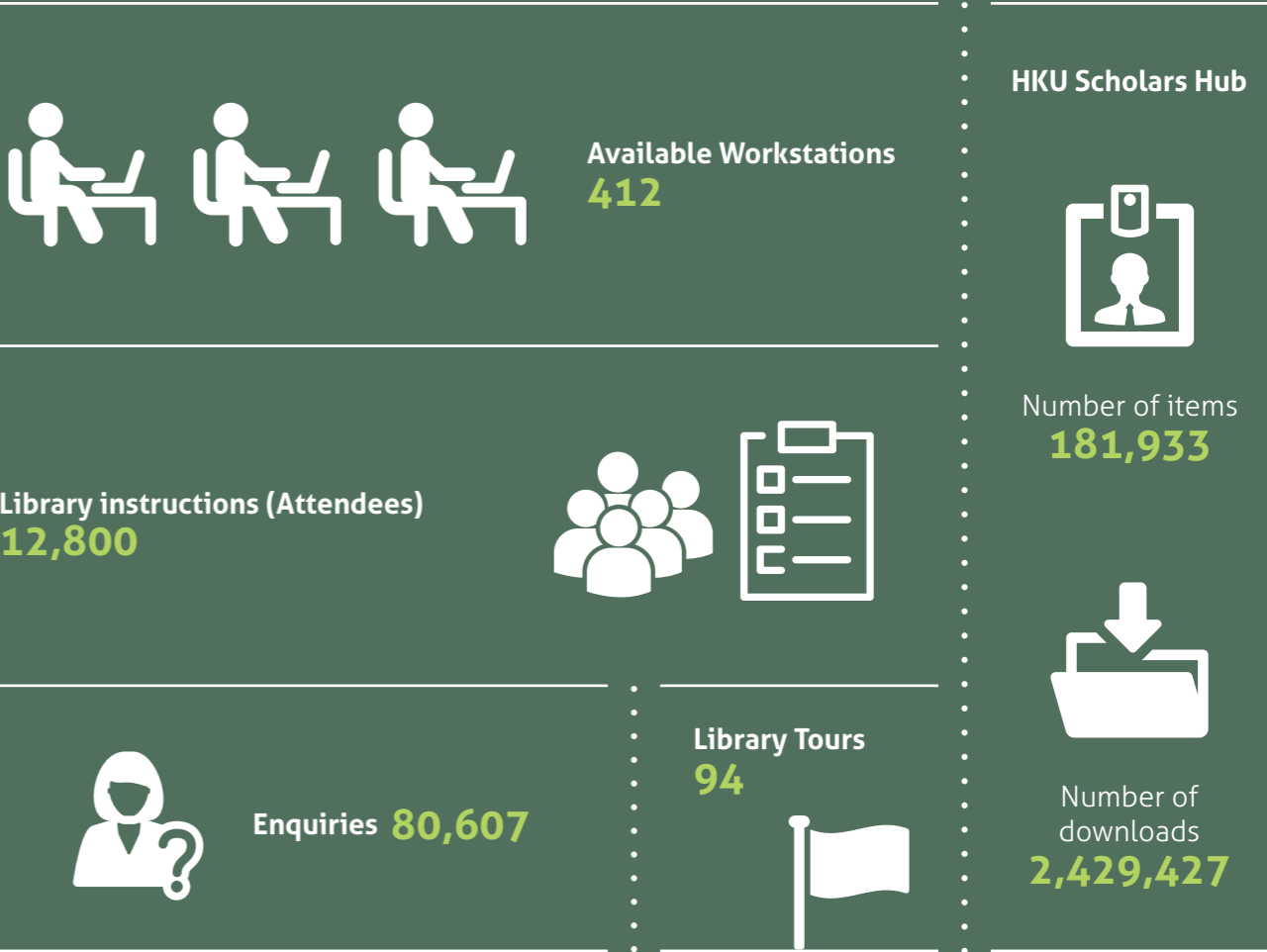
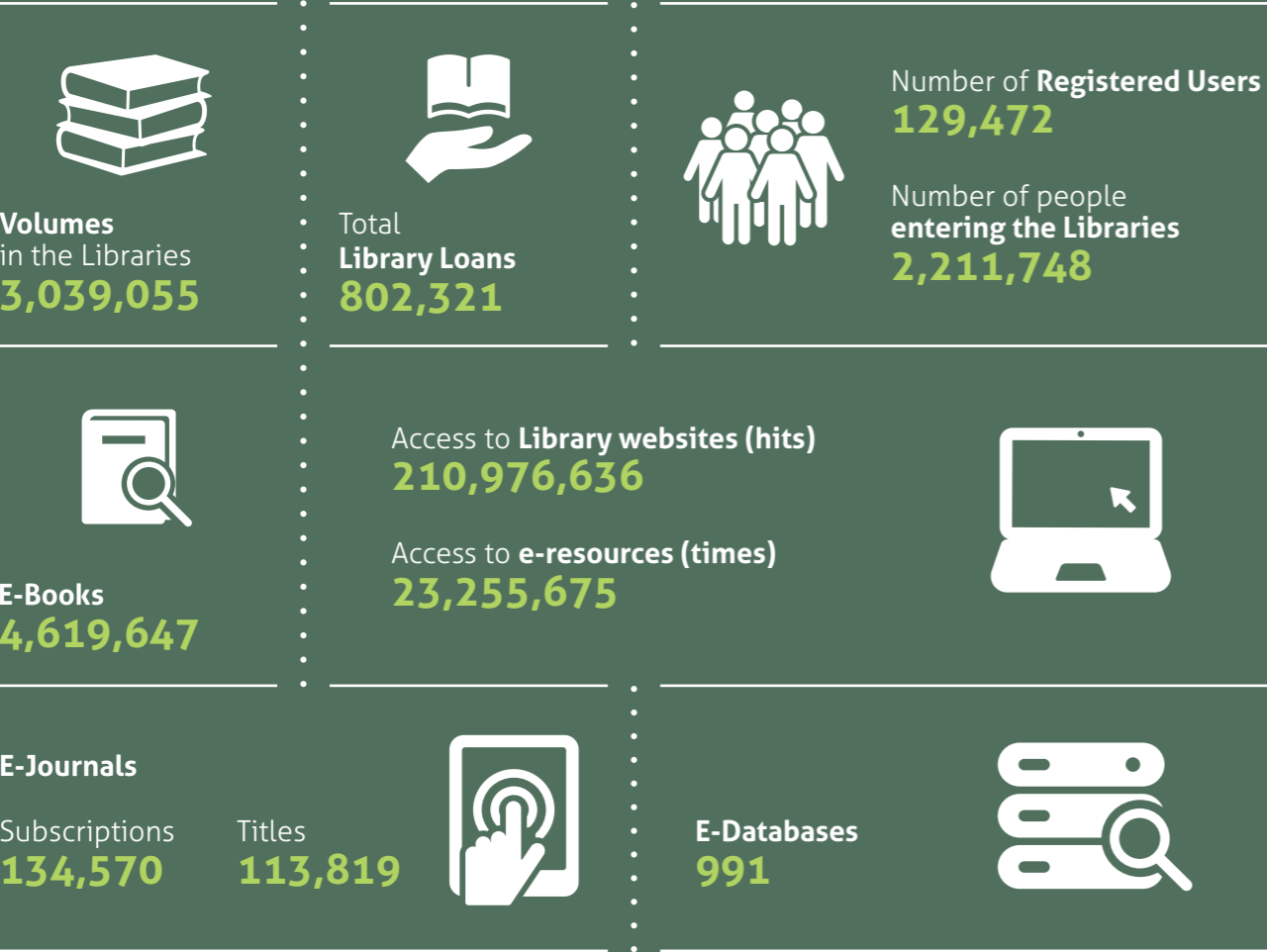
Special Collections is home to the *Deacons Archives*. These *Archives* contain early surviving records from the Deacons law firm and its predecessors. Documents of historical importance include client deeds, wills and probate, business contracts and agreements, and much more. The date range for the *Archives* is from 1846 to 2007, with a bulk date range between the 1880s and the 1950s.



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NOTABLE Acquisitions

BATES' VISUAL GUIDE TO Physical Examination

Bates' visual guide to physical examination

Wolters Kluwer Health/Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2014
Electronic Resources: <http://library.hku.hk/record=b5397310>

Now in its Fifth Edition and featuring completely reshot content and new clinical skills videos, Bates' Visual Guide delivers head-to-toe and systems-based physical examination techniques for the (Advanced) Assessment or Introduction to Clinical Medicine course. The site features more than 8 hours of video content.



Manuscripts of Qing Dynasty Celebrities housed by the Modern History Institute of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, second series, Zhang Zhidong files edited by Modern History Institute of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences

近代史所藏清代名人稿本抄本，第二，張之洞檔
中國社科院近代史所編

Zhengzhou: Da Xiang Chu Ban She, 2014
鄭州市：大象出版社，2014
Library catalogue: <http://library.hku.hk/record=b5187757>

This series features photocopies of letters, diaries and documents of more than one hundred Qing Dynasty celebrities. Covering primary source materials on the political, cultural, economic and social aspects of Qing Dynasty, it has been selected as one of the "National Compilation Project of Qing History" projects.

此叢書精選影印中國社科院近代史所藏清代百餘名人的書札、日記及各種公私文檔，多為手稿真跡，均是珍稀文獻資料，為涵蓋清一代的政治、經濟、文化、社會的珍貴資料。國家清史編纂委員會將之列入“國家清史編纂工程項目”。

PsycTESTS

Washington, DC: American Psychological Association

Electronic Resources: <http://library.hku.hk/record=b5362899>

This database provides bibliographic, plus full text and multimedia of psychological tests from the early 1900s to the present. Test records include descriptive summaries of the test and its development and administration, mostly drawn from articles in peer-reviewed journals or books, with downloadable tests. 75% of the test records contain the actual test or test items.

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Royal Society of Chemistry ebook collection

London: RSC Publishing

Electronic Resources: <http://library.hku.hk/record=b3983539>

2015 Collection

A definitive point of reference in the chemical sciences published by one of the world’s leading chemistry community in the United Kingdom.



SpringerLink

Berlin: Springer-Verlag, 1998–

Electronic Resources: <http://library.hku.hk/record=b2067510>

2015 ebook Full Collection

The full range of 13 digitised scientific, technical and medical (STM) book collections, such as Biomedical & Life Sciences, published by one of the world’s largest international publishers.

明代基本史料叢刊. 奏摺卷
責任編輯任夢強, 李莉

北京市: 線裝書局, 2005

Library catalogue: <http://library.hku.hk/record=b5049053>

This series collects memoranda to the throne by court ministers and mandarins to the Ming emperors on political matters. These memoranda or reports not only reflect what was going on, but also contained suggestions, solutions or views on all issues. They are good sources for understanding governance and policy formation process of the Ming government.

此叢刊書匯總了明代朝廷大臣及地方官員就政事向皇帝呈上的奏疏，這些報告不僅反映事情的原委，而且還會有相應的解決方案或對問題的看法，藉以了解明朝政府的施政及政策形成過程。

清代成案選編. 甲編
楊一凡編

北京市: 社會科學文獻出版社, 2014

Library catalogue: <http://library.hku.hk/record=b5323773>

This is a compilation of archival case records in the Qing dynasty, categorised by legal topics and regions. While most such case books are currently separately found in PRC or Japan, this compilation is an invaluable tool to the study of the legal history in early Qing.

成案是研究清代法制的珍貴資料，本書收入清代行政成案、經濟管理成案、禮儀成案、司法成案、地方成案等代表性成案集十五種，通行成案集一種，有助進一步深入研究清代法律史。





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