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.
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 librí 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.
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.

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.
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.

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/HKU/anthem.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

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.
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.

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.

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.

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Community

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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
- 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

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/smiles.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
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.

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.
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-yun (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-ying (Library Assistant), Acquisitions
Leung Kwan-leung (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

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
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, G.R.Y.C. Member, JULAC Consortial 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.
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 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*
- Loaned 12 posters from the 2009 Hong Kong Marine Police Exhibition to the Hong Kong Marine Police Retired Association for their exhibition held in Cheung Chau Police Station from October 2014 to May 2015
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During the year we maintained our collaborative agreements with Kansai University Library, Peking University Library, Tsinghua University Library, Fudan University Library, Shanghai Library, Shandong University Library, Xiamen University Library, National Central Library (Taiwan), National Taiwan University Library, National Chengchi University Library, and Shih Hsin University Library.

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.

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.


Mamtora, J., Yang, T., & Singh, D. Open access repositories in the Asia–Oceania region Experiences and guidelines from three academic institutions, *IFLA World Library and Information Congress: 80th IFLA General Conference and Assembly*, Lyon, France, August 2014.
Kwan Yin Yee was a contributor to the International Association of Music Libraries, Fontes Artis Musicae’s Recent Publications in Music 2014 representing Hong Kong SAR, Macau SAR & Taiwan, the paper was published in March 2015. http://www.iaml.info/sites/default/files/pdf/recent_publications_in_music_2014.pdf

The Fung Ping Shan Library continued to select and catalogue Chinese materials for Cornell University Library and Columbia University Libraries (2CUL).
Zi Jing Bian (《自警編》)
Library catalogue: http://library.hku.hk/record=b1727984

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.

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

Pandectae Iuris Civilis libri qvinqvaginto : nunc primùm cùm hac formæ venustate excusitum post omnium editiones, & Haloandri castigationem, ad librorum Florentinorum fidem immureris 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 Iuris (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.

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.
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](http://lib.hku.hk/hkul100/hd.html)

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

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.

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

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.
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).

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.
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.
Statistics 2014-15
(as of June 30, 2015)

- E-Books: 4,619,647
- Volumes in the Libraries: 3,039,055
- Access to E-Journals: 134,570 Subscriptions, 113,819 Titles
- E-Journals: 991
- E-Databases: 991
- Available Workstations: 412
- Library instructions (Attendees): 12,800
- Library Tours: 94
- Enquiries: 80,607
- Library Loans: 802,321
- Total
- Number of Registered Users: 129,472
- Number of people entering the Libraries: 2,211,748
- Access to Library websites (hits): 210,976,636
- Access to e-resources (times): 23,255,675
- Number of items: 181,933
- Number of downloads: 2,429,427
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 reshoot 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
鄭州: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.

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