

# Edith Garland Dupré Library

## YEAR IN REVIEW

### 2012-2013



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### A Message from the Dean

The 2012-2013 year has brought about some changes here in the Edith Garland Dupré Library. Our Head of Technical Services Librarian, Assistant Professor Beate N. Kukainis, retired from the University after 25 years of enthusiastically dedicated service. Assistant Professor Kukainis maintains an office here in the library and remains available for assistance and guidance. Concerning her retirement, I could say that she will be sorely missed, but she is really not leaving us!

Construction began on a back entrance to the library. The Strategic Plan which students in the College of Business developed (you will read an article about the development of that plan in this newsletter) made a recommendation that a rear entrance be created, and with the opening of the Spring 2014 semester, that door will be operational. The plan developed by the students has proven to be an extremely valuable tool as we grow in the coming years.

As you can see from this edition of the *Year in Review*, our staff has been very active this past year. The Ernest J. Gaines Center staff presented numerous programs over the year. Our Distance Learning Appropriations committee has been extremely pro-active in acquiring the tools, online journals and databases necessary to support our growing number of distance learning classes and programs. Our Reference and Research Services department has been extremely active in developing new products and services to better serve our student, faculty and staff research needs.

We have had a good year in the library, despite tough economic times, and look forward to another productive year.

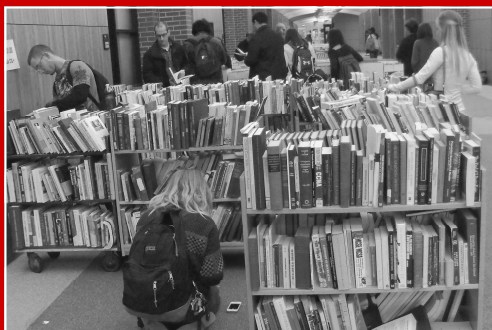


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### Around the Library



*Dupré Library's annual book sale*



*A student studies in the café*

# 21,189

Number of materials checked out by patrons in 2012-13

## A Message from the Associate Dean

Greetings!

The Edith Garland Dupré Library staff and faculty strive hard to provide the best possible service to the students, faculty and staff of the University, and to the Acadiana community. Our faculty members have distinguished records in scholarly publications and presentations, as well as grant awards. Our staff is knowledgeable and helpful. Many of the library personnel have worked at the Library for 25 years or more. Each fall the Library celebrates its own with a Staff Appreciation reception. Staff and faculty with 10 years, 15 years, 20 years, and 25 years of service to the Library are honored. The employees with 10 or more years of service are given a certificate. Those who have worked at Dupré Library for 25 years are also given an engraved platter, and their names are added to the honor plaque located in the Dean's Office. The 2012 honorees are:

- Kim Authement, 10 years
- JoAnn Wiltz, 10 years
- Bobby Billet, 15 years
- Yolanda Landry, 15 years
- Sheryl Curry, 25 years
- Beate Kukainis, 25 years

We invite you to visit the Library often, and encourage you to ask for assistance from any Dupré Library employee. You will be warmly welcomed.

Susan Richard  
Associate Dean



## Library Strategic Plan

During the spring semester 2013, a group of twelve MBA students from the BI Moody College of Business Administration undertook a strategic plan for the Edith Garland Dupré Library. During the course of the semester the students surveyed UL Lafayette students and faculty, interviewed Library and University staff, studied the Library's finances, marketing and facilities, and analyzed its strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats. The resulting strategic plan made several recommendations for improvements in the Library's collections, facilities, services and organizational structure.



Photo by Emily Deal

**99,911**  
 Gate count in October 2012,  
 highest of any month in the  
 year

## New Technology Grants

In the spring of 2013, Susan Richard and Betsy Miguez were awarded a STEP grant for four charging stations for mobile devices and thirty lockers for charging laptops. The charging stations, which come with built-in charging cables to accommodate nearly all models of cell phones, smart phones, and tablets, were placed in various locations around the Library. The charging stations have been popular with the students since their installation.

The grant also provided thirty lockers for charging laptops. Located on the first floor of Dupré Library, the lockers feature compartments with an innovative security system that allows users to select a three-digit combination, and a 110V outlet in each locked compartment for charging laptops or other electronic devices. Students may leave their laptops in a locker to be charged while they are using the Library.

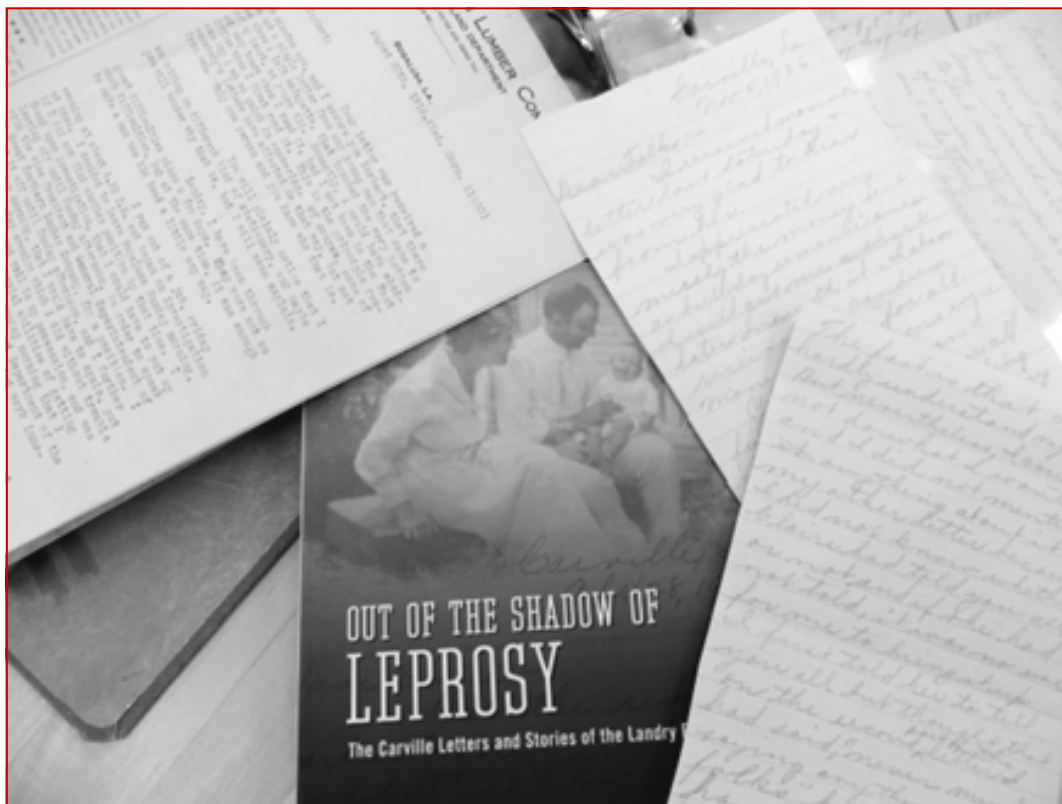


Students use the new charging equipment



## New Archives Collections

The 2012-2013 academic year saw the addition of several new collections and supplementary materials to the University Archives and Acadiana Manuscripts Collection. Dr. Bruce Turner shared details about these new items, which include archival materials from University faculty and other locals of significance. The papers of Dennis Ehrhardt, former chair of the Geography Department and an expert in urban planning, were donated by Timothy Reilly, Professor of Geography and History. Edye Mayers, associate professor of English, and her husband Kenny Mayers, President of the Jewish Cemetery Association, arranged for the records of the Lafayette Jewish Cemetery Association to be transferred to the Archives. These records document the history of the cemetery, which dates back to the original land donation by Alexander Mouton in 1869. Records for the families of Flora Levy, Henri Bendel and Maurice DuQuesnay are now a part of the Archives. The letters of Norbert and Edmond Landry, brothers from New Iberia who were residents of the leprosarium at Carville, Louisiana, were donated by Claire Manes, a granddaughter of Edmond Landry who recently published a book about the letters. New materials were added to the collections of CODOFIL, Louis Michot, and Morris Raphael. Records of the Office of the President and the Lafayette Chapter of the AAUW as well as the University photography collection also received new materials. These collections will greatly benefit researchers interested in the history of the University and Louisiana in general.

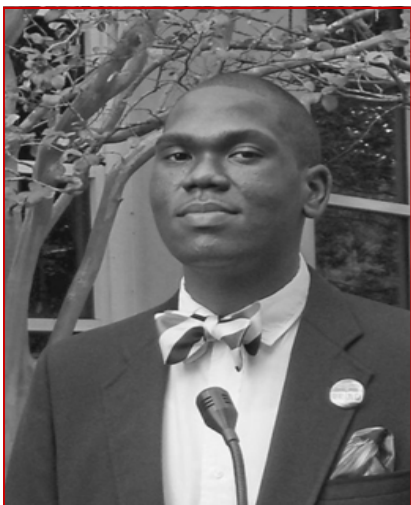


## Derek Mosley, Director of the Ernest J. Gaines Center

After former director Marcia Gaudet retired following the 2011-12 school year, Ernest J. Gaines Center assistant director Derek Mosley assumed the dual roles of director and archivist of the Center at Dupré Library in June 2012. Mosley, a graduate of Morehouse College and the Simmons Graduate School of Library and Information Science, said he was thrilled to take the leadership role.

“I was excited about the challenges and opportunities that would come with the added responsibility,” he said. “It has been enriching to have such a large role in the shaping of the Ernest Gaines Center.”

As director, Houston native Mosley has overseen a variety of events held at the Gaines Center, including movie screenings, lectures, and a book reading and a discussion series on Muslim Journeys.



Derek Mosley

Director of the Ernest J. Gaines Center

144

Total instructional sessions  
taught by Dupré librarians in  
2012-13

## Cara Chance, New Head of Reference and Research Services

Cara Chance became the new Head of Reference and Research Services at Dupré Library in January 2013. Cara received undergraduate degrees in English and History from Spring Hill College. After obtaining a Masters in Library and Information Science at LSU, she worked at Lafayette Public Library as Electronic Resources Librarian when the library was expanding its computer-based resources. She then took off a few years to begin her family and resumed her studies at University of Louisiana at Lafayette, where she earned a Master's in Education. Since then, she has home-schooled her children and taught UNIV 100 classes in Business and Nursing. In the fall semester of 2012, Cara worked here as a substitute reference and research librarian while another librarian was on maternity leave.

As head of Reference and Research Services, Cara oversees the Library's reference services and resources, instructional services and distance learning services.



Cara Chance

Head of Reference & Research Services

## Instructional Services

With more and more students looking to the web for resources for their studies, Instructional Services has seen a shift away from traditional information literacy instruction. The number of UNIV 100 classes requesting instructional sessions decreased in the 2012-13 school year. UNIV 100 instructors took a larger role in handling the library portion of their lesson plans after receiving training from Cara Chance on giving tours and conducting the instructional aspect of the classes. This allowed librarians to focus more on providing alternate content to students and faculty like *LibGuides* and video tutorials, as well as instruction for other courses that might not have normally had a library session offered. Overall, Instructional Services conducted 144 instructional sessions/tours, down from 172 the prior school year, a decrease of about 17 percent. After Instructional Services Librarian Lance Chance resigned in December 2013, other librarians contributed to instructional sessions during the spring and summer semesters. In June 2013, Jeremiah Paschke-Wood was hired as the new Instructional Services Librarian to start in fall 2013.



*Cara Chance conducts a library tour for graduate students*

## Distance Learning Librarian

Developing a strong relationship with the Distance Learning community, expanding services, and building the Library's collection of online resources were top priorities this year for Dupré Library's first Distance Learning & Virtual Services Librarian, Emily Deal. Her accomplishments include writing the Library's Document and Book Delivery Policy for



*Emily Deal*

*Distance Learning & Virtual Services Librarian*

distance learners and creating two *LibGuides* – one to familiarize students with library resources and another that assists distance learning faculty in integrating library resources and services into their course Moodle pages. The *LibGuide* for Distance Learners is now the most used of all the Library's *LibGuides*. Another new service being offered is *LibraryH3lp*, a virtual reference platform that allows students to easily contact reference librarians via instant message or text message.

The Distance Learning Appropriations Committee continues to purchase resources that support distance learning programs and their general education requirements. Newly acquired databases like the *Chicago Manual of Style Online* and *Statistical Abstract of the United States* are popular and often-used resources; EBSCOhost's *Academic Collection* provides more than 100,000 new eBooks. These resources help support both online programs and traditional courses. Participation in the Office of Distance Learning's annual Share Fair conference and other collaborative committees has built a strong relationship between the Library and the University's distance learning community. Emily's future plans include creating dynamic online tutorials that can be embedded into course Moodle pages.

## Interlibrary Loan Policy Changes

Two major policy changes were implemented by the Interlibrary Loan (ILL) Department in the 2012-13 school year. A \$2.00 handling fee replaced printing charges to support electronic delivery of articles to all UL Lafayette users. In addition, ILL instituted a \$30 fee for long-overdue materials requested from Interlibrary Loan. Head of ILL Deborah Johnson said, "If materials are seriously overdue, we have to send them back via FedEx. The Library previously paid shipping charges. Due to the economy and budget cuts, the Library can no longer bear that cost." The policy is that if an item has not been returned within 30 days of its due date, the \$30 fee is assessed.

The shift to electronic delivery took some initial tweaking. The foundation as well as the technology is now in place, and the ILL staff feels that these improvements are working well.

Overall, the ILL Department handled 7,302 transactions in 2012-13, 2,941 of which were requests by UL Lafayette students, staff and faculty, and 4,361 from other institutions.



7,302

Number of orders processed  
by Interlibrary Loan in  
2012-13

## Banned Books Read-Out

Dupré Library's first Banned Books Read-Out event was a great success with as many as 50 participants and audience members in attendance. This event, which took place in front of Dupré Library on October 3, was organized to coincide with the 30th anniversary of Banned Books Week. The Banned Books movement promotes intellectual freedom – celebrating the freedom to read books and the right to access books, without censorship. For the Read-Out, faculty, staff and students were all invited to read short excerpts from banned or challenged books. A cart of selected titles, along with information about where and why the books were banned, was on hand for participants. Selections read by some librarians were chosen from Irmgard Keun's *After Midnight*, Richard Wright's *Native Son*, and E. L. James' *Fifty Shades of Grey*. The Library has plans to make the Banned Books Read-Out an annual event.



A student reads from a banned or challenged book



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