Monday, October 15, 2018.

The memo provides a weekly one-stop shop for weekly staff news, events, and other updates for all YUL staff. For items to be included in the Monday Memo, please send all announcements to: yulmonmemo@gmail.com before 12:00 p.m. the preceding Friday. Archived memos are posted on the staff website.

News from Around the Libraries
See also http://www.library.yorku.ca/web/blog/category/news/

All Staff Meeting - October 24, 2018
Location: Founders Assembly Hall
Time: 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Restructuring Implementation Updates
As with any restructuring process, the implementation phase is the time to begin the work of transitioning and phasing in an operation to the new organizational structure. It is also the time to test assumptions and revisit design elements as the actual work takes place in the new structure. There are two predominant themes underlying implementation work at this time: revisiting communication structures within YUL to ensure that they reflect the new organizational structure, and building up the organizational diagram to reflect all staff positions more fully within the structure with an eye to better mapping working and administrative relationships across the Libraries. Both of these processes have required beginning to work within the new structure over the last few months in order to identify opportunities, challenges, and where additional clarity on librarian/archivist/staff roles are needed. We will be discussing some of these transitional elements at the upcoming All Staff Meeting.

Please note, increasingly, as we phase in and operationalize the new structure, updates will be represented in divisional updates rather than this section. See divisions below for specific updates related to departments and divisional structuring updates.

As always, please discuss concerns with anyone in the DLO or a relevant Director. The feedback form can be used if you wish to remain anonymous.
Research & Open Scholarship Division

Reminder - the next meeting of Content Development & Analysis Department will be Tuesday October 16th from 10:00-noon in Scott 503. Our meetings are open, so if you are curious about what CDA will be up to in 2018-19 academic year, do join us. Please let Patti Ryan (pryan@yorku.ca) know if you plan to attend. As previously noted, a discussion list for the Department has been set up (YUL-CDA@yorku.ca) and membership is open to anyone interested. Contact Patti Ryan (pryan@yorku.ca) if you would like to be added.

Work within the Open Scholarship Department has been predominantly focused on building up the departmental framework, with an eye towards building up YUL capacity to support elements such as research data management and scholarly publishing, including open data and open access. To facilitate this work, meetings have been targeted to these specific elements, pulling in relevant YUL members from across divisions.

Digital Engagement and Strategy Division

Library Digital Systems and Initiatives and Library Digital Technology Services

We’ve been receiving reports that transformer problems with Toronto Hydro have been causing damage to computing equipment across campus. We have not escaped unscathed, with our UPS taking some damage. In the image below, the battery cells on the left are ok, while the battery cells on the right are no longer viable. I’d like to thank Tuan Nguyen, Raymond Shum, Walter Griffatong and Helium Tsui for responding to a number of emergency calls on evenings and weekends due to power failures on campus, and for their professionalism in ensuring our server equipment remains insulated from any potential risk of damage. Thanks as well to Colette Leier for helping us with the placing of urgent orders.

~Andrea Kosavic, with thanks to Tuan Nguyen for the photo
Having trouble Installing Mendeley or Zotero citation software for Office 365 MS Word?

Documentation is now available! Following up on last week’s troubleshooting of Office 365 with Mendeley and Zotero by Walter Griffatong (with help from Nancy Chow and Rajiv Nariani), Walter Griffatong has created the following documentation to guide users step by step to ensure that Mendeley is properly integrated within MS Word for Office 365. These instructions are also linked to the home page of the Mendeley Libguide, visible as Step 3 in the Quick Steps box. Walter Griffatong has also created documentation to guide users in their installation of Zotero for Office 365 MS Word. This guide is linked to the Zotero Libguide on the Word Processor Plugin page. Thanks Walter for your timely work on this!

~Tuan Nguyen and Andrea Kosavic

Bits, Bytes and Teraflops

_Burning Chrome_ is a short story written by William Gibson. Later from 1984 on he penned the cyberpunk trilogy _Neuromancer, Count Zero_ and then _Mona Lisa Overdrive_ in which he popularized the phrase cyberspace. Gibson’s work served as the inspiration for the movie _The Matrix_. In _Neuromancer_ our hero Case is a “console cowboy”, a hired hand who cracks computer systems by literally connecting in and riding the net.

Speaking of Chrome … did you know whilst in your chrome browser if you hit CTRL-H you can see your browsing history?

If you wish, you can click “clear browsing data” and select for “all time” then click “clear data” so that you can remove your browsing footprint. Give it a shot.

Here is how you can do it in Firefox:


and for Internet Explorer:


Here is an interesting write up on the man who created the terms cybernetics, cyborg and cyberspace.

~ Bhash Deonandan
Teaching & Learning Division

Student Learning and Academic Success Department & Curriculum & Course Support Department – October Staff Meetings on Departmental Framework

On October 9th and 11th **Tom Scott, Meredith Hatton, Sophie Bury** and **Dana Craig** facilitated a two hour session heavily oriented around activities designed to generate feedback from staff across the **Curriculum and Course Support Department (CCSD)**. The focus was on the Framework for this Department which will guide directions and work moving forward. The key elements of this Framework were explained and then a series of activities gave staff the opportunity to give feedback on a draft vision and mission for the department, in addition to feedback on how values statements might be improved and operationalized. Finally, there was an opportunity for input on how goals might be achieved in core areas of priority.

Some 35 staff attended on both days across all constituent units of CCSD. On behalf of the leadership team of CCSD we want to extend a big thank you to the staff for their participation and input!

~Meredith Hatton and Sophie Bury

Projects & Initiatives

A page outlining project proposals is [available](#).

**Collaborative Futures and the LSP Steering Committee**

An update on Collaborative Futures (CF) will be provided at the upcoming All Staff. An overview of key projects, some requiring considerable internal work within YUL, and key dates for testing, training, and launch will be forthcoming. Further, a brief overview of policy work currently being
undertaken, which will guide how managing a library services platform (LSP) in a large collaborative environment with other institutions, will be presented.

Over the past week, members of YUL’s LSP Steering Committee have been participating in webinars delivered by OCUL and Ex Libris to begin staging work for implementation of Alma and Primo, the major platforms for CF. These webinars will continue this coming week and will cover some important aspects of transitioning out of Sirsi into Alma.

A reminder that questions regarding CF should be directed to local Implementation Leads (Andrea Kosavic and Adam Taves).

**Staff News, Kudos & Transitions**

Clara Thomas Archives & Special Collections (CTASC) is very pleased to welcome **Jennifer Grant** to the team as the successful candidate for the new continuing appointment archivist position.

Jennifer holds a MISt from the University of Toronto with a specialization in archival studies and an MA in English from York University. Since graduating in 2008, Jennifer has worked concurrently as both a part-time archivist with CTASC and also as an assistant archivist in the Corporate Records and Archives department of the Law Society of Ontario. As a result she brings an enviable breadth and depth of professional archival experience and knowledge of archivy to the team.

Jennifer’s work with CTASC has included the processing of an impressive number of archival donations of varying complexity and media over the years, and in the process she has become an active and experienced user of AtoM (Access to Memory) – an open source software programme that CTASC has been using to enhance access to our holdings by researchers around the world. Indeed, she has become a mentor for those wishing to learn more about AtoM and has been instrumental in assisting CTASC develop and document our workflows to migrate our legacy finding aids to the new system. Her experience in dealing with born-digital records will also be a tremendous asset in the years ahead.

Jennifer’s research interests include the management of born-digital records and issues concerning personal papers in archives and we expect some lively and fruitful discussions to come.

You’ll be able to find Jennifer in 305 Scott effective October 23rd. Welcome aboard, Jennifer!
Martin Alexander, June Hill, Darren Craig, answered the call to be part of the editorial team for new Special Issues of the Monday Memo. The Special Issue will include a YUL spotlight section to be incorporated in the Monday Memo a few times a term. The spotlight section focuses on an individual or a specific unit’s activity within YUL. If anyone else would like to join the team from any employment group to be reporters and/or photographers as part of the editorial team for these special issues, please send a message to joyk@yorku.ca. No experience needed but if you like to write and/or produce something creative this may be of interest.
~Joy Kirchner

A Convocation Story

Convocation brings about all sorts of surprises each time it comes up at York University. On October 12, Library Accessibility Services (LAS) received a special surprise of flowers and chocolates from one of their students who graduated today with their Masters in Communication and Society. In the note, they thanked LAS for their support while they were at York University. This moment truly reflects the positive impact LAS has on our students.
~Meredith Hatton

In picture: Claudio Iacoe and Veronica Pinnock

News from Around the Campus

New Brainstorm Edition

A special edition of YFile, publishing on the first Friday of every month, showcases research and innovation at York University from York’s academics and researchers across all disciplines and Faculties, and encompasses both pure and applied research.

- **Biologist finds hardy plant species could help desert regrowth after damage**
- **Study suggests supplements could improve cancer treatment in obese patient**
- **Law professor considers real ‘win’ of high-stakes Métis court case**
- **Ecological partnership further establishes York U as global leader**
- **Hate crime book says legal, policy deliberation is microcosm for larger debate**

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**News from Around the Nation and the World**

**From the CARL E-Lert:** (To subscribe to the e-lert, click [here](#). For past issues, click [here](#).)

**CARL Statement on the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement**
CARL has issued a statement on the USMCA, expressing concern about extending the term of Canadian copyright from 50 years to 70 years after the artist or creator’s death. [Read more](#)

**Copyright in Canada: IFLA Submits Comments on the Review of the Copyright Act**
The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions submitted comments for the current review of Canadian copyright law. Among other issues, IFLA supported the retention of the fair dealing exception and underlined the importance of protecting copyright exceptions from contract terms or technological protection measures. [Read more](#)

**Springer Nature Launches Open Data Badges Pilot**
In order to incentivize and reward researchers for open data sharing practices, Springer Nature has launched a pilot program of awarding digital Open Data Badges to qualifying articles. [Read more](#)

**USMCA and Implications for Canada**
- The USMCA and Copyright Reform: Who is Writing Canada’s Copyright Law Anyway? [Read more](#)
- Setting the Standard? How the USMCA Quietly Reshapes Global Digital Trade Agreements (October 4) [Read more](#)
- Why the USMCA Will Enhance Online Free Speech in Canada (October 5) [Read more](#)
- The Full “Culture Exception” That Isn’t: Why Canada Caved on Independent Cultural Policy in the USMCA (October 11) [Read more](#)

**Researchers from Globally Leading Universities Increasingly Prefer Gold Open Access Journals as Publication Venues**
Markin discusses a recent empirical study that examines global health scholarly publication patterns, which found that researchers from high-ranking universities are more likely to publish in Gold Open Access journals than researchers from lower-ranking universities. [Read more](#)

**From Paywall to Datawall**
Lisa Hinchliffe discusses the movement from paywalls to datawalls as websites increasingly require the creation of free accounts to access content: “Well, sure, the article is “free” in the sense there is no monetary transaction. But, not free in the sense that I must trade my time and my personal information in exchange for the access.” [Read more](#)

**Paper Covers Rock: How the Marrakesh Treaty can move Canadian libraries out of the Stone Age**
Abba and Buffett respond to common questions about the implementation of the Marrakesh Treaty for Canadian libraries. [Read more](#)

**OER and Accessibility: Working Toward Inclusive Learning**
Thomas discusses ways in which OER and other digital materials can be made more accessible as well as how OER can increase accessibility. Read more

**Survey on ‘Core Competencies for 21st Century CARL Librarians**
CARL’s Core Competencies Working Group is conducting a survey to gain important insights for re-drafting the 2010 document, “Core Competencies for 21st Century CARL Librarians.” More information

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**SPARC**

**Join OpenCon 2018 Virtually Through The Live Webcast on November 2-4**
As in past years, we will webcast OpenCon 2018 live from York University in Toronto on November 2nd through the 4th and make high-quality recordings available afterward. Here is where you can [join the webcast](http://example.com). Our plenary sessions with panels will be concentrated in the mornings of November 2nd and 3rd, with the 4th dedicated to all-day our do-a-thon, where participants will have the opportunity to work together to advance current initiatives and launch new projects and collaborations. You’re also invited to participate in the do-a-thon virtually, and more information on how to do so will be available in the coming weeks.

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**ACRL News**

**DuraSpace Members-Only Webinar Recordings:**
“**The 2.5% Commitment: Investing in Open**” webinar focused on David Lewis’ proposal for a 2.5% investment in open infrastructure and how it aims to make visible the investments academic libraries make in open infrastructure and content. It reviewed actions that have taken place in the past nine months to advance these ideas. The webinar recording and presentation slides are available [here](http://example.com).

“**Beyond North America: Widening Access and Participation**” focused on the progress being made globally to make scholarly content open, discoverable, and accessible through initiatives originating outside the US including The Open Access 2020 Initiative, which is a global initiative whose strategy is to accelerate the transition to open access by converting subscription expenditures into funds that support open access. Colleen Campbell who works on OA2020 and Arianna Becerril Garcia from Redalyc.org share their experiences on the global open access movement bringing insights from where they sit in Europe and South America. The webinar recording and presentation slides are available [here](http://example.com).

**Events & Exhibits**

*Note to Event organizers: Events and exhibits can be added to the YUL Calendar on the staff web page by sending an invitation to ulo.yorku@gmail.com. They should appear automatically.*

**Reminder - Slow Scholarship Reading Group**
The Slow Scholarship Reading Group meets next on Wednesday 07 November, at 1 pm, in 108C Scott. The reading is [The Secret Life of Dead Spaces In the Academic Office](http://example.com), by Damian Ruth, published in August 2017 in the "labour of academia" special issue of *Ephemera: Theory and Politics in Organization.*
Together we will review and discuss the article, and try to figure out what it means. Then we'll see where the conversation takes us.
Everyone is welcome! Feel free to bring your lunch or a snack.
~William Denton

OCULA Webinar: Exploring Open Educational Resources Thursday, October 25, 2018, 12 PM – 1 PM. Room 108C Scott
In this webinar, we'll explore some of the current trends, issues, and projects happening in the "open educational resources" landscape; Virtual Journal Club: The Webinar Series also marks the launch of OCULA’s Virtual Journal Club. Webinars will be paired with relevant readings (both academic and non-academic in nature) and will be followed by a facilitated virtual discussion about the texts. The Virtual Journal Club will provide participants with the opportunity to continue the conversation beyond the webinar, critically evaluate the relevant literature, and build communities of practice.

CRL Virtual Forum: Investing in Open Primary Sources: an eDesiderata Forum - October 18, 2018
This 3.5-hour virtual session is open to all CRL members, and examines "existing and emerging models for Open Access to news, archives, government information, and other primary data. Presenters will suggest how U.S. and Canadian libraries might leverage their collective influence to minimize or eliminate barriers to Open Access and achieve greater returns on their investment in digital resources." More information

OpenCon Satellite Montréal 2018 – 19 octobre, Montréal
L’EBSI, en collaboration avec la Chaire de recherche du Canada en écritures numériques et les Bibliothèques de l’Université de Montréal, désire vous inviter à cette première édition de OpenCon Satellite Montréal. Marie Martel fait le point sur son site web Bibliomancienne. Détails

Special NISO Training Series: Assessment Practices and Metrics for the 21st Century – October 19-December 21, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
This 8-session series aims "to provide consistency of training and a baseline of knowledge for information professionals in considering and applying assessment practices for scholarly resources across multiple information services and systems." More information

Conférence Le RDA Toolkit repensé : ce qu’il faut savoir pour s’y préparer – 22 octobre, Montréal
Le Comité directeur de RDA (RSC) et BAnQ invitent les personnes intéressées à assister à cette conférence, qui comprendra une brève introduction au modèle de référence des bibliothèques de l’IFLA (IFLA LRM) qui permettra d’établir le contexte pour donner un aperçu du Projet 3R (Restructuration et refonte du RDA Toolkit). Détails

[SPARC] Theme of 2018 International Open Access Week To Be “Designing Equitable Foundations for Open Knowledge”
This year's Open Access Week, "Designing Equitable Foundations for Open Knowledge" will be held October 22-28. The full announcement is available on the Open Access Week website here along with translations in a number of languages. We've also posted graphics packages here promoting this year's theme that include social media sharing graphics, handouts, and posters. These graphics are currently available in English, Spanish, and Portuguese with more languages to be posted as they are available (with Arabic, Chinese, French, and Hindi coming soon).
OCULA Free Webinar Series: Exploring Open Educational Resources (OER) Thursday, October 25, 2018, 12 – 1 PM.
In this webinar, we'll explore some of the current trends, issues, and projects happening in the "open educational resources" landscape.  [Register here.]

Virtual Journal Club: The Webinar Series also marks the launch of OCULA's Virtual Journal Club. Webinars will be paired with relevant readings (both academic and non-academic in nature) and will be followed by a facilitated virtual discussion about the texts. The Virtual Journal Club will provide participants with the opportunity to continue the conversation beyond the webinar, critically evaluate the relevant literature, and build communities of practice.

Upcoming free webinar topics include:
- Indigenous Issues/Reconciliation
- Critical Librarianship
- Intellectual Freedom

Registration Open: Third Keeping it ReAL Conference (Research in Academic Libraries) – October 26, University of Victoria
"Keeping it ReAL is a free workshop for academic librarian researchers in BC. Our aim is to foster a research culture among participants, and create an open and supportive network for learning, sharing and supporting academic research." [More information]

Rare Book School Junior Fellows Program Application Deadline November 1, 2018.
Andrew W. Mellon Society of Fellows in Critical Bibliography invites applications for its (2019-2020) fellowship cohort. The Society invites applications for the Junior Fellows program from early-career scholars and researchers from all fields, with preference given to first-time Rare Book School participants. The deadline is November 1, 2018. [More information]

Slow Scholarship Reading Group

Save the Date – @Risk North 2: Digital Collections – November 9, Montreal
CARL's Digital Preservation Working Group will be holding this full-day national forum which will focus on assessing current digital preservation readiness, resources, and collaborative initiatives, with a view to identifying opportunities to strengthen our collective capacity for digital preservation in Canada. [More information]


Congrès des professionnels et professionnelles de l'information, 12- 14 novembre, Montréal
«En plus d'une programmation riche et variée de près de 50 conférences et tables rondes, le CPI 2018 sera l'occasion de rencontrer plus de 30 entreprises dans le Salon des exposants.» Le tarif d'inscription hâtive est en vigueur jusqu'au 12 octobre 2018. [Détails]

eLearning in Libraries  North York Central Library, November 15, 2018
FREE Registration for the eLearning in Libraries Symposium opens on October 12th. The full-day event will include interactive and hands-on sessions about topics such as creating AODA accessible online content, free and open source software for developing eLearning modules, and virtual reality in higher education.
Registration Now Open: DCDC18 Conference – November 19-21, Birmingham, UK
"Discovering Collections, Discovering Communities is a collaborative conference series between The National Archives and Research Libraries UK. Now in its sixth year, DCDC brings together colleagues from across the archive, library, museum and academic sectors to explore shared opportunities, collective challenges, and to discuss how each sector can work more effectively with one another." More information

13th Munin Conference on Scholarly Publishing – November 28-29, Tromso, Norway
"Key topics of the 2018 conference will be: Open Science, Research integrity, Research assessment and evaluation, The market for scientific information, Institutions and funders as publishers, Emerging trends in scholarly communication and Preprints." Deadline for submissions: August 19. More information

Library Assessment Conference 2018 -- December 5-7, Houston, TX
This year's theme is: Building Effective, Sustainable, Practical Assessment. Registration for the 2018 conference will open July 16, 2018.

Experiential Education Symposium, January 22, 2019, 1-4 p.m. in the Scott Collaboratory
The call for applications for students to participate in the EE Symposium is now open with a closing date of November 4th. Undergraduate students from all years and Faculties are invited to submit an idea for a poster that will highlight the positive impact of their EE experience, including their most meaningful insights or lessons and how the experience may have deepened or supported their classroom learning. We have already had a good deal of interest expressed in this event and student panelists are almost confirmed.
For more information, please visit our website: eesymposium.yorku.ca. Also see this brief promotional Y-File posting. Questions can be directed to eesteam@yorku.ca

Open Science Conference 2019 -- March 19-20, Berlin
"The Open Science Conference 2019 is the 6th international conference of the Leibniz Research Alliance Science 2.0. It is dedicated to the Open Science movement and provides a unique forum for researchers, librarians, practitioners, infrastructure provider, policy makers, and other important stakeholders to discuss the latest and future developments in Open Science." More information

This year's theme is "Reshaping Scholarship: transformation, innovation and cultural change." Deadline for submissions: November 2. More information

CC Global Summit -- May 9-11, Lisbon, Portugal
"We've grown the CC Global Summit every year as hundreds of leading activists, advocates, librarians, educators, lawyers, technologists, and more have joined us for discussion and debate, workshops and planning, talks and community building. It's a can't-miss event for anyone interested in the global movement for the commons." More information

CFP: WILU 2019 -- May 22-24, Winnipeg
The Workshop for Instruction in Library Use (WILU) is an annual Canadian conference where delegates meet to discuss timely topics related to information literacy. This year’s theme is “Engaging Place and
Practice” and how “the places and spaces we inhabit – physical, cultural, social, or professional – give shape to the practice of librarianship.” Deadline for submissions is November 16. More information

Save the date: Open Repositories 2020 1-4 June Stellenbosch, South Africa.
“The Open Repositories Steering Committee and Stellenbosch University is delighted to announce that the 15th Open Repositories Conference will be held in Stellenbosch. The conference will be organised by Stellenbosch University Library and Information Service who looks forward to welcoming delegates to the first Open Repositories Conference (OR) on the African continent.” More information

CFP: ACH 2019 – July 23-26, 2019, Pittsburgh, PA
Contributions are sought for the inaugural Association for Computers and the Humanities Conference. Deadline for proposals: November 10. More information