

Report on the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series
China-U.S. Forum on Library Practice
May 24-26, 2010, Shanxi University, Taiyuan, Shanxi Province, China
June 28, 2010

CALA Participants/Presenters:

Michael Bailou Huang, Stony Brook University, Team Leader
Dr. Camila Alire, ALA President; Dean Emeritus at the University of New Mexico and Colorado State University
Xiaoli Fang, New Jersey City University
Jin Xiu Guo, Washington College
Pam Jones, University of Colorado at Boulder
Ya Wang, San Francisco State University
Susan Yan Xue, University of California, Berkeley

Hosting institution: Shanxi University

Sponsors:

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Shanxi University Libraries
Shanxi Provincial Higher Education Library Commission

The topics each CALA presenter gave are:

Dr. Camila Alire (卡米拉·艾莱尔博士):

- Issues and Trends in U.S. Academic Libraries (美国大学图书馆的话题和发展趋势) (Michael Bailou Huang provided on-site translation from English to Mandarin and vice versa)

Xiaoli Fang (方筱丽):

- Information Literacy Education in U.S. Academic Libraries: Concept, Models, and Future (美国高校图书馆的信息素质教育: 观念、模式和展望)
- Library Program via Blackboard: Macro-Level Integrating Library into Source Management System – A Case Study (运用课程管理系统扩大图书馆服务: 新泽西大学图书馆的实践个案)

Jin Xiu Guo (郭金秀):

- Integrating Patent Search into Scientific Information Literacy Education (如何利用高校电子图书馆进行专利信息服务)
- Institutional Repositories (IRs): The Twenty-First Century Scholarship Sharing Platform (电子机构典藏: 二十一世纪学术共享平台)

Michael Bailou Huang (黄柏楼):

- Academic Librarians in the United States: Hiring, Training, Evaluation, and Development (美国大学图书馆员的招聘, 培训, 评审与发展)

- Library Organizations and Their Roles in Library Development
(美国各级图书馆协会在图书馆发展中的作用)

Pam Jones (帕梅拉·琼斯):

- Philanthropic Culture and Fundraising for Academic Libraries (美国大学图书馆的资金筹措)
(Jin Xiu Guo provided on-site translation from English to Mandarin and vice versa)

Ya Wang (汪雅):

- Electronic Collections Management and Access Roadmap: Current Issues and Implementation Strategies in US Academic Libraries (美国高校图书馆电子资源的建设与应用)
- Technology Trends: Next Generation Library Discovery Interfaces and Mobile Applications in US Libraries (技术趋势: 新一代图书馆用户界面和智能手机在美国图书馆的应用)

Susan Yan Xue (薛燕):

- Reference and Public Services in University Libraries in the US
(美国大学图书馆的参考咨询服务)
- Resource Sharing in American Libraries: University of California Case Study
(美国图书馆资源共享的实践—加州大学个案研究)

Estimated number of participants of the seminar:

About 110 people participated in the seminar. They came from 33 academic libraries in 12 provinces.

List major participating institutions:

Beijing Institute of Economic Management
 Dalian University of Technology
 Hangzhou Normal University
 Hebei Normal University
 North University of China
 Northwest A&F University
 Qingdao Agricultural University
 Peking University
 Shanxi Agricultural University
 Shanxi Shengwu Yingyong Zhiye Jishu Xueyuan
 Shanxi University
 Shanxi University of Finance and Economics
 Shanxi Vocational and Technical College of Communications
 Taiyuan Institute of Technology
 Taiyuan University of Science and Technology
 Taiyuan University of Technology
 Wuhan University of Technology

Outcome of the seminar:

The seminar was very successful due to each member's dedication and diligence. I'd like to thank especially Dr. Camila Alire for her presence at the seminar and her inspiring keynote speech. Kudos also

goes to Ms. Pam Jones for her contribution to the success. Pam was not feeling well at the seminar. However, she managed to deliver a wonderful presentation and participate in Q&A session.

We received a total of 40 evaluation forms. The overall response was positive. Dr. Camila Alire commented that we did “very impressive topics.” Ms. Li Jialin, Director of Shanxi University Libraries, concurred in an email correspondence that our team was “dutiful and responsible.” Please read the attached summary of participant evaluations compiled by Michael Bailou Huang for details.

Two librarians from Dalian University of Technology and Hangzhou Normal University respectively approached me and expressed their interest in hosting a seminar in 2011 or 2012. The librarian from Dalian University of Technology asked me to send her a list of topics presented at previous CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series. I did so in a timely manner. I will report to Executive Director of CALA and the International Relations Committee if there is any further development regarding this prospective collaboration.

After the seminar in Shanxi, Dr. Alire and Mr. Huang met with Ms. Tang Gengsheng, Secretary General of the Library Society of China (LSC) and Ms. Wu Yue, International Exchange Division of LSC on June 1st, 2010. After the meeting, Ms. Tang gave them a tour of the National Library of China.

By invitation from Mr. Zhu Qiang, Dean and Director of the Peking University Libraries, Dr. Alire delivered a speech on current issues and trends in US academic libraries in the lecture hall on the afternoon of June 1st. Mr. Huang provided consecutive translation from English to Mandarin and vice versa. About 150 people participated in the event.

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Enclosure:

Summary of participant evaluation forms

Seminar schedule

Seminar photos