END OF FUNDING PERIOD REPORT
LAUC Statewide Grants, Research & Professional Development Committee

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TITLE OF PROJECT:

Time Period of Grant: 2012-2013
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Original Abstract as Submitted:

Because Southeast Asian Studies (SEAS) is a young discipline (beginning in the 1960s), there are only fourteen libraries with comprehensive SEAS collections in the US. These institutions are sustaining significant decreases in collections budgets, making an already challenging area for collection development even more difficult. With so many of these libraries having to focus our monies on their core disciplines, many SEAS materials are consequently not being collected. Therefore, it is necessary for these libraries to begin thinking about collaborative collection development in order to ensure that a wide breadth of research materials is available to support the research needs of SEAS scholars.

In this research, I plan on conducting a comparative assessment and collection analysis of these fourteen major collections. My primary goals are to: 1) highlight the strengths of the various collections and 2) identify gaps, from which new collection initiatives—both at the individual institution level and consortially—can be developed. Using both quantitative (WorldCat Collection Analysis) and qualitative (questionnaire, interviews, site visits) methods, this research should yield not only basic collections figures but also information about collection strengths and weaknesses, unique collections, and collections initiatives.

I. ACCOMPLISHMENTS and EVALUATION
- Describe what was achieved during the time period of the grant.
- What aspects were completed as proposed? If your study could not be completed as proposed, explain how your plans were altered.
- Did the project accomplish what it intended? Did it make a difference?
  - Include any relevant quantitative data, if applicable (e.g. How many individuals have benefited from this project? In what way? This may include various output measures such as circulation, reference transactions, program attendance, survey responses, etc. as appropriate.)
  - Include any anecdotes, if applicable.
- What would you do differently next time, if anything?
- What advice do you have for others applying for LAUC research grants?

In my original application, I said that I would look at 14 institutions. However, with the request from LAUC to cut my budget, I said that I could save some money by using the data already

gathered by Cornell University Library. However, as their data only covers 11 institutions, I can only do analysis for 11 institutions.

The first step of the project is the quantitative data analysis. I visited Cornell University in late November and met with Southeast Asian librarians Greg Green and Jeff Peterson and worked with digital projects/assessment librarian Rich Entlich. I was there to work on the project for four days but I actually did not have access to some of the data until the afternoon of my second day. While I worked with the data the rest of my time there, I realized that the data required much more manipulation that I anticipated. Even if I had the full four days, there was no way I could have finished even a fifth of the data analysis.

The data analysis needs an extended length of dedicated time from me and a graduate assistant. While I created a job description for the graduate assistant in February, it was not posted until the end of April, at which point I no longer had the time to work on this project. Therefore, I need an extension on this project so I can do the bulk of the work.

II. IS YOUR PROJECT COMPLETED?   Yes__   No <u>X</u>
If No, what is needed to complete the project? Is more time needed? Or more funds?

While the project could certainly use more funds especially for graduate assistant salaries, more time is what the project needs. I request a one-year extension on the project.

III. FINANCIAL STATEMENT
Please explain how the funds received were spent.   Attach your original budget and indicate how well your estimates matched with actual expenditures. Receipts are not necessary.

	Proposed budget	Actual expenditure
Graduate assistant	$3664	
Cornell University visit/travel	$1830	$1525
Western universities visit/travel	$3942	
TOTAL	$9436	$1525

IV. SHARING YOUR PRODUCT/RESULTS
What are your plans for disseminating the results of your work? If it will be a web page or product, or published article or book, when will it be available to the public? Include citations/URLs if known.

The results of this project will be shared with the members of the Committee on Research Materials on Southeast Asia (CORMOSEA) at its annual meeting; the next meeting will be in March 2014. I also intend to present the results at at least one conference and to publish an article about it.

V. NOTE
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