

January 6, 2009

Andrea Lynch
Peggy Alexander
LAUC-LA Committee on Research and Professional Development

Dear Andrea and Peggy,

I am writing to apply for a LAUC Presentation Grant for 2009. In July, 2009, I will be traveling to Vancouver, British Columbia to present in a series of panels at the Second International PKP Scholarly Publishing Conference at Simon Fraser University. As a member of the steering group for Open Humanities Press (OHP), I will be speaking about UCLA Library involvement in SPOKE, an international open access scholarly monograph publishing project spearheaded by OHP. This project brings together humanities scholars, librarians, information technology specialists and programmers, and scholarly publishers from over 5 countries. I will be presenting alongside representatives from UC Press in a panel titled, "On Library-Press Collaborations: A panel presentation by UCLA Library and the University of California Press," and also alongside OHP steering group members in a panel titled, "On Open Humanities Press: A panel presentation by members of the OHP Steering Group" (see attached proposal for panel details).

My attendance at this conference is critical because it will help to further raise UCLA Library's profile as an active leader in the shift to open access scholarly publishing in the humanities. Furthermore, it will ensure that an academic library voice is heard on panels in which participants will be trying to figure out sustainable business models that will serve the interests of scholars and libraries alike.

A Presentation Grant would help to fund my airfare, registration, and three nights of lodging for this conference. I will not have LAUC funds to contribute to this conference, as I will have used them by this time for previous conference presentations; instead, I seek to piece together funding from two or three sources, including a LAUC mini-grant. I am a member of the bargaining unit represented by UC-AFT. The details of my request are as follows:

Conference: Second International PKP Scholarly Publishing Conference

Conference dates: July 8-10, 2009

Conference location: Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

Presentation: "SPOKE Day-long Series on Open Access Monograph Publishing"

Budget:

Airfare	400.00
Registration (\$300 CAD at current exchange rate)	253.00
Lodging @ \$200/night	600.00
Total	1253.00

I am attaching an abstract of the conference presentation.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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