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TITLE OF PROJECT: *Big Data for Big Questions: a new method for assessing the impact of non-English language sources at Berkeley*

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Amount of Award Received: \$600
Type of Grant: Presentation

I. ACCOMPLISHMENTS and EVALUATION

Susan Edwards and I collaborated on research analyzing the sources cited in all dissertations at Berkeley between 2008-2015, examining the languages cited, the ratio of books to journals, the median age of citation and more, using a new method of analysis for the almost 1,000,000 citations. We presented our paper at ACRL, the main conference for academic librarians.. The session was well attended (for such a specialized topic) and eleven librarians signed up for further discussion about the research, from institutions including UVA, Villanova, MIT, Princeton, Emory and Rutgers. A representative from Proquest approached us about presented our research to their staff as well.

We are very grateful to LAUC for supporting this important professional activity.

II. IS YOUR PROJECT COMPLETED? Yes__ No__

III. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The funding supported my airfare and hotel expenses.

IV. SHARING YOUR PRODUCT/RESULTS

The paper is posted as part of the ACRL Proceedings at <http://www.ala.org/acrl/sites/ala.org/acrl/files/content/conferences/confsandpreconfs/2017/BigDataforBigQuestions.pdf> and we also created an entry in eScholarship, <http://escholarship.org/uc/item/0j97g9n8>