

## **END OF FUNDING PERIOD REPORT**

### **LAUC Statewide Grants, Research & Professional Development Committee**

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### **TITLE OF PROJECT: 'Improving Access to the Late 19th Century and Early 20th Century Periodicals Press of Azerbaijan' 2013-14.**

Time Period of Grant: 2013-2014.

Amount of Award Received: \$8,754.00

Original Abstract as Submitted: January 2013.

#### **I. ACCOMPLISHMENTS and EVALUATION**

- Describe what was achieved during the time period of the grant.  
I was able to construct a bibliography of Azerbaijani periodicals from the late 19<sup>th</sup> century until the Sovietization of Azerbaijan. I was able to create an online resource-a website <http://www.azerbaijaniperiodicals.com/intro> I was able to visit Baku and work at the Special Collections as well as general collections of the National Library of Azerbaijan.
- What aspects were completed as proposed? If your study could not be completed as proposed, explain how your plans were altered.  
All aspects of the proposed study are in the process of completion. I am in the process now on analyzing the data from the excel file that had created for the bibliography.
- 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.) This project is along the open access principles so many individuals will benefit and are benefiting from it including the students of the history of Caucasus and Azerbaijan.
  - Include any anecdotes, if applicable.
- What would you do differently next time, if anything?  
I will ask for more time period to do a thorough research. I will make preliminary enquires about the availability of sources.
- What advice do you have for others applying for LAUC research grants? No advice.

#### **II. IS YOUR PROJECT COMPLETED? Yes X No**

If No, what is needed to complete the project? Is more time needed? Or more funds?

#### **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.

**Total Grant Funding Requested from the LAUC Statewide for 2013-14.**

<b>Grant Budget</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>
Baku Per Diem includes room and board (10 days)	\$3,160.00
Visa to Azerbaijan	\$180.00
Travel Budget (includes ground transportation)	\$2,100.00
Salary Replacement	\$3,213.75
Student Assistant Salary	\$ 700.50
Subtotal	\$9,354.25
UC Berkeley Library Professional Development funding 2013-14	(\$600.00)
<b>Total Requested from LAUC Statewide</b>	<b>\$8,754.25</b>

The budget was spent according to the plans. The per diem charge for Baku was in reality is \$361. [http://aoprals.state.gov/web920/per\\_diem\\_action.asp?CountryCode=0000](http://aoprals.state.gov/web920/per_diem_action.asp?CountryCode=0000)

Expenditures

Airline Ticket: \$1358.90

Baku Per Diem: \$3,610. 00

Salary Replacement: \$3,313.75

Student Salary: \$700.50

Azerbaijan Visa Fee: \$160+ \$20 Priority Mail Postage =\$180

Total=\$9163.15

The budget was sufficient to cover the costs of research.

**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.

<http://www.azerbaijaniperiodicals.com/intro>

## Introducion

The periodical press of Azerbaijan at the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries represents a unique but overlooked social laboratory that ties together political and current currents in Tsarist Russia with those in the broader Muslim world. The Azerbaijani periodicals of the late 19th and early 20th centuries contain an extraordinary diversity. This diversity is reflected not only through the publications in many languages that include Azerbaijani, Russian, Ottoman Turkish, Persian and others, but also in formats and genres. Yet there has not been a systematic bibliographic study of these periodicals to capture both their diversity and their influence among Muslims throughout the Russian empire, Ottoman empire, and Qajar Iran.

Following the dissolution of the Tsarist empire, the Azerbaijan Democratic Republic emerged to become the first democratic and secular republic in the Muslim world. Despite the ADR's relatively short existence from May 1918 until its forceful Sovietization in April 1920, Azerbaijan witnessed a flowering of press that expressed the ideals of democracy, secularism, and reason in turbulent times.

The goals of this project are three fold. First, I will create a comprehensive annotated bibliography of the periodicals of Azerbaijan from 1875 until 1920. Second, this bibliography will be either published as a book or mounted on the web following the Open Access principles. Third, I will complete a peer-reviewed article that will examine the modes formation of "new" Azerbaijani identity in the ADR through purposive content analysis. The article will be also made available in its pdf format on this website.

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