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To the members of the LAUC Professional Development Committee:

Please consider my application for a LAUC presentation grant as described below.

A. Summary and current status of the research project/activity

Along with my UCI colleagues Kristine Ferry and Lisa Sibert, I have been researching the issues surrounding electronic resources offered on mobile devices. These issues include but are not limited to collections, acquisitions, licensing, cataloging, user behavior, web design, and IT support. We have presented our initial findings, entitled "Electronic Resources To Go," at the Electronic Resources & Libraries Conference in February 2009 at UCLA and have now been asked to present at several other venues, including the MLGSCA Technology Symposium in March 2009. We have submitted a proposal (which has been accepted) to present at Internet Librarian: Net Initiatives for Tough Times, which will be held in Monterey, CA, Oct 26-28, 2009.

B. Description of and timetable for the activities to be funded by the Mini-Grant or Presentation Grant. If release time is required, please provide a simple signed memo or email from your department head or supervisor.

The activities to be funded by the mini-grant would include travel (mileage and hotel) to Monterey, CA to present "Electronic Resources To Go" at the 2009 Internet Librarian conference, October 26-28, 2009.

Permission for release time attached.

C. Summary of the budget

Hotel, 2 nights (estimated)	\$300
Mileage, 692 miles (estimated)	\$200
Total	\$500

Amount of funding requested \$500

D. Indicate whether the applicant is a member of the bargaining unit represented by the UC-AFT or a non-represented librarian.

Non-represented librarian

E. Abstract of the paper or poster accepted for presentation

Students and faculty are always on the go. Our collections and services need to be available to them when and where they need them. The presenters will address the special challenges involved in providing library content and services to mobile users in this big picture presentation. The topics will range from offering an entire library experience to your mobile users to potential best practices for cataloging electronic resources specific to mobile devices. Other topics include IT issues, collection development trends, licensing issues and gathering usage statistics. We will discuss some discovery tools available, such as mobile-friendly OPACs, union catalogs, library web pages and subject guides. We will also broach the impacts of these issues, and consider ways in which the library can best position itself for the mobile revolution.

F. Name and sponsoring organization (if applicable) of the conference

Internet Librarian 2009, Information Today, Inc.

G. Description(s) of any funds that have been requested from other sources

No other funding has been requested at this time.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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