

END OF FUNDING PERIOD REPORT

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TITLE OF PROJECT: Overview of New Developments in Major Academic Databases

Time Period of Grant: 2013/14 FY

Amount of Award Received: \$500

Original Abstract as Submitted:

The development of commercial e-resources in China only started in early 2000. The digital publishing industry in China has developed quickly and improved considerably since then. They have learned from experience and practices in the US and European countries, and have gradually complied with international standards. In recent years, there have been considerable new developments in e-resources produced in the US, which have made the use of e-resources easier and more adept to teaching and research. East Asian libraries and users would like to see the same new developments happening in Chinese e-resources as well. My paper will review the new developments by discussing major English databases, and study how these new developments can be applied to Chinese e-resources. The study would encourage Chinese publishers fully complying with international standards, and use the best practices shared by publishers in the industry.

I. ACCOMPLISHMENTS and EVALUATION

- Describe what was achieved during the time period of the grant.
I was able to travel to China to do the presentation with the support of this grant.
- What aspects were completed as proposed? If your study could not be completed as proposed, explain how your plans were altered.
All aspects were completed as proposed.
- 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.

There were over 500 librarians and publishers attending the 2014 International Conference on Chinese Digital Publishing and Digital Libraries. About 90 were from overseas and over 410 from mainland China. It is a major platform for librarians to exchange information and concerns with digital publishers in China and other countries. It is also a great place to advocate what libraries and librarians like to see in e-resources in terms of content, format and technology. My presentation was well

received; I had more discussions on this topic with some attendees during the conference.

- What would you do differently next time, if anything?
- What advice do you have for others applying for LAUC research grants?

II. IS YOUR PROJECT COMPLETED? Yes__

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.

The \$500 could not cover the entire cost of the conference, but nevertheless was a great help. Costs of attending the conference were:

Airfare: US\$ 1843

Hotel: \$200

Local transportation/other expenses: \$150

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.

Link to the presentation, #18 in the list:

http://eng.oversea.cnki.net/Seminar/2014_Seminar/en/Default.htm

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