The University of Cincinnati Libraries Strategic Plan: Transforming

Strategic Plan Initiatives
2014/2015

Pillar I.
Digital Technologies & Innovation
Develop innovative technologies and services that transform and generate new modes of inquiry, access, scholarship, learning and creative ways of working together.

1. Scholar@UC
Purpose: Create an enterprise-wide digital repository that captures, organizes, makes accessible, enables reuse and reformatting, and preserves the institution’s intellectual output, cultural and historic records, and research-significant library collections of unique materials. Launch early adopter phase with UC faculty members to self-submit their work and then rollout faculty/researcher self-submission campus-wide.

2. DigitizeUC
Purpose: Review and examine the possibility to expand current digitization activities into a comprehensive program to meet the needs of UC Libraries and to provide unique resources for innovative digital scholarship.

3. Delivering Health Informatics
Purpose: Develop a niche role for the Health Sciences Library in creating informatics programming that will advance discovery and innovation in medical care and knowledge through the collaborative development of resources, tools and services.

4. Exploring Digital Humanities/Digital Scholarship
Purpose: Build engagement and awareness of digital humanities and digital scholarship within UC Libraries and the university through programming and collaboration.

Pillar II.
People
Transform the evolving role of the information professional.

5. eLearning and Digital Literacy
Purpose: Investigate, identify and make recommendations on resources, pedagogical approaches, tools and best practices to advance UC Libraries learning practices and better support of eLearning at UC.

6. Support for the UC Researcher: Developing a Suite of Programs
Purpose: Define and develop a responsive, sustainable, cohesive and scalable full suite of programs, spaces and tools that support all levels of UC researchers across all disciplines and in such areas as: data management and grants consultation, analytics, visualization, coding and statistical software support, GIS and public dataset support, repository and digital scholarship services, classes and instruction.
The University of Cincinnati Libraries will become the globally engaged, intellectual commons of the university.

Pillar III.

Space
Transform the concept and use of learning spaces managed by the library.

7. Langsam Library Digital Scholarship Area

Purpose: Create a Master Plan for the 400 level of Langsam Library that creates a digital space that provides powerful new tools and services that spark inquiry, support analysis and ignite discovery and scholarship as well as prepare generations for lives of ongoing discovery.

Pillar IV.

Data to Information to Knowledge
Transform library research collections and enable new modes of scholarship.

8. UCL Discovery

Purpose: Investigate current and innovative practices for access and discovery and examine the potential to leverage new and/or existing technology to implement a next-generation discovery interface and the resources such an endeavor would require. Recommend long-term solutions for integrated access to all library resources.

9. Collection Management Life Cycle

Purpose: Examine the full life cycle of collection management to identify emerging trends and innovative options for the management of print collections, eCollections, and document supply delivery, which will allow for the creation of a road-map for future collection management strategic initiatives and niche-focused collection building.

10. Collection Budget Realignment

Purpose: Review current collections budget allocations and make recommendations on improvement and reallocation in order to have closer alignment with UC’s strategic directions in teaching, learning and research, as well as to take a more holistic approach to financial planning across UC Libraries and across all disciplines and subject areas including all formats.

The University of Cincinnati Libraries empower discovery, stimulate learning and inspire the creation of knowledge by connecting students, faculty, researchers and scholars to dynamic data, information and resources.

Learn more about the 10 initiatives and read the full UC Libraries Strategic Plan online at www.libraries.uc.edu/about/strategic-plan