BUILDING RESOURCES THROUGH BUILDING GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS

CEAL 2018 Annual Meeting

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OVERVIEW

- History of GW and GW Libraries and Academic Innovation
- Vision for Building a Global Research University
- East Asia Collections at George Washington University
- Collaborations with East Asian Countries
- Summary
THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

- Chartered by an act of Congress in 1821
- 2,428 faculty (including medical)
- Largest university in the District of Columbia
- 3 Campuses, 10 Schools, 4 blocks from the white house
- Who we are from an international perspective
In 2017, GW’s total international student enrollment is 4,233.

- 2,244 from China (53%)
- 239 from South Korea (5.65%)
- 31 from Japan (0.73%)

https://irp.gwu.edu/dashboard-enrollment-dashboard
GW LIBRARIES AND ACADEMIC INNOVATION

All GW Libraries

- 1,185,959 people who entered Gelman Library using a GWorld in 2016
- 99,659 physical items circulated through the GW Libraries in 2015-16
- 1074 research consultations in 2015-16
- 91 workshops offered Spring 2017

Estelle and Melvin Gelman Library
Eckles Library at the Mount Vernon Campus
Virginia Science and Technology Campus Library

- 1821, The Columbian College Library began its existence,
VISION FOR BUILDING A GLOBAL RESEARCH UNIVERSITY

- GW’s international students want to be in Washington, DC.
- Building partnerships with universities around the globe is a better approach to meeting student interests.
- Our researchers are increasingly global partners in ground-breaking discoveries.
TAILORED GLOBAL COLLECTIONS

- GW has a strong focus on policies and international relations
- Interest in political activity and current affairs requires that we’re flexible with collection development
- Each collection is shaped to meet scholarship needs at GW
- Collections are dynamic, not fixed in time
EAST ASIAN COLLECTIONS AT GW
TAIWAN OPPOSITION MAGAZINES
SOURCES ON CHINESE MILITARY HISTORY
BUILDING COLLECTIONS THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA ARCHIVING

Blogging and Microblogging: Archiving and Preserving Non-Official Voices in China’s Anti-Corruption Campaign - funded by Mellon Foundation - CEAL Innovation Grants

- Successful collaborations between John Hopkins University Libraries, the George Washington University Libraries, and Georgetown University Libraries.
- GW’s Social Feed Manager
- Presentation at 2017 ACRL conference
- Publications in Journal of East Asian Libraries
- Data stored at GW libraries, available for onsite use. LibGuide
COLLABORATIONS WITH OKINAWA GOVERNMENT

- Established in June 2015 with generous support from the Okinawa Prefectural Government (OPG)

- The Okinawa Collection is a part of the Japan Resource Center.
COLLABORATIONS WITH CHINESE LIBRARIES

Northeast Normal University Library

Beijing Normal University

Nanjing University

- Librarian exchange program
- Resource sharing
- Attending conferences
SUMMARY

- GW’s East Asian collections reflect the collaborations and strong relationships we have formed.
- Building strong relationships is key to building the collections our community needs for their scholarship.
- Having dynamic collections allows us to stay current with issues relevant to the research of our faculty and students.