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How do EASIA faculty members seek information :

Identifying gaps and public
service opportunities

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EASIA Collection

- [Hightower Collection](#)
 - Literary-focused
 - Chinese, Japanese & translations
 - Purchased from a Harvard Sinologist
- [Chinese Experience in Canada](#)
 - Ephemera, Head Tax certificates, photographs
 - Chinese Community in the Prairie Provinces
- [近代美術関係新聞記事資料集成](#) [Kindai bijutsu kankei shinbun kiji shiryō shūsei]
 - 2 microfilm sets
 - Modern Art related Japanese Newspaper Clipping Collections 1891-1941



How this project came to be



01

Opinions and concerns from the EASIA Department.

02

Transition from EBSCO Discovery Service to Alma / Primo. User Experience Working Group formed.

03

This was, in fact, "my circus and my monkeys."

User Experience Testing

"Encompasses all aspects of the end-user's interaction with the company, its services and its products."

- **High** project priority for "Effective searching for Non-Roman character sets/ Non-Latin Script Languages (e.g. East Asian languages and Cyrillic languages)"
- Quality Assurance / Quality Inspection
- **N** = 5 faculty (3C, 1J, 1K)
- 30min online sessions
- Short questionnaire
 - Kinds of materials, research topics, databases, familiarity with romanization rules...
- Screenshare and verbalize process



(Norman & Nielsen, 1998)

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Searching: Library Catalogue, eBooks, and Articles

六臣注文选

Select a Field (optional) Search

AND Select a Field (optional) Create Alert

AND Select a Field (optional) Clear ?

Advanced Search Search History

Refine Results

Current Search

Find all my search terms: 六臣注文选

Expanders

Apply related words

Limiters

Catalogue and Full Text

Catalogue Only

Limit To

Catalogue and Full Text

Search Results: 1 - 2 of 2

Relevance Page Options Share

1. [Liu chen zhu Wen xuan / \[Zhaoming tai zi zhuan ; Li Shanbing wu chen zhu\].](#)

[六臣注文选 / \[昭明太子撰 ; 李善并五臣 !!XL!+2!+4](#)

[Shanghai : Shang wu yin shu guan, 1929?] 30 v. ; 20 cm. Language: Chinese, Database: University of Alberta Library

Subjects: Chinese literature -- To 221 B.C.; Chinese literature -- Qin and Han dynasties, 221 B.C.-220 A.D.; Chinese literature -- 220-589

Book

Place Hold

Location	Call Number	Type	Status
University of Alberta - Research & Collections Resource Facility	AC 149 S86 1929 v.296 pt.1-10	Book	On Shelf
University of Alberta - Research & Collections Resource Facility	AC 149 S86 1929 v.296 pt.11-20	Book	On Shelf
University of Alberta - Research & Collections Resource Facility			

In EDS (left): searching for 六臣注文选 [Liu chen zhu wen xuan] does not show the record due to the spaces

In Primo (bottom): Primo ignores(?) spacing. Retrieves the record

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MULTIPLE VERSIONS

六臣注文选 / [昭明太子撰 ; 李善并五臣 !!XL!+2!+4; Liu chen zhu Wen xuan

Xiao, Tong, 501-531.;Li, Shan, -689.;蕭 統, 501-531.;李 善, d. 689.

8 versions found. See all versions >

**ALA-LC Romanization
Tables: What are those...**

*"I don't really use besides trial and error"
"I don't trust"*

**For digital: Skipping the
catalogue, going straight
to databases**

*"JSTOR is more reliable"
"I generally know where to go"*

**Strong preference
for vernacular**

**Some
findings**

**For physical: Giving
the catalogue a shot
(not always
successful)**

Reliance on requests

*"If I can't find the thing, I put in [a purchase
request and the Library will sometimes tell
me] 'Oh we have this in the system'"*

Tying it back to Public Service: Pulling back the curtains

A need for better communication within the Library and between the department and the Library

● **Involving** your stakeholders in decisions that may impact them & **creating** a safe space for faculty to express their concerns

● **Supporting** multilingual searching with workshops / Training

● **Creating** knowledge and continuity within the Library

A note about CEAL

Handbook for Korean Studies Librarianship Outside of Korea

Committee on Korean Materials
Council on East Asian Libraries

Welcome to NCC!

The North American Coordinating Council on Japanese Library
Resources

北米日本研究資料調整協議会

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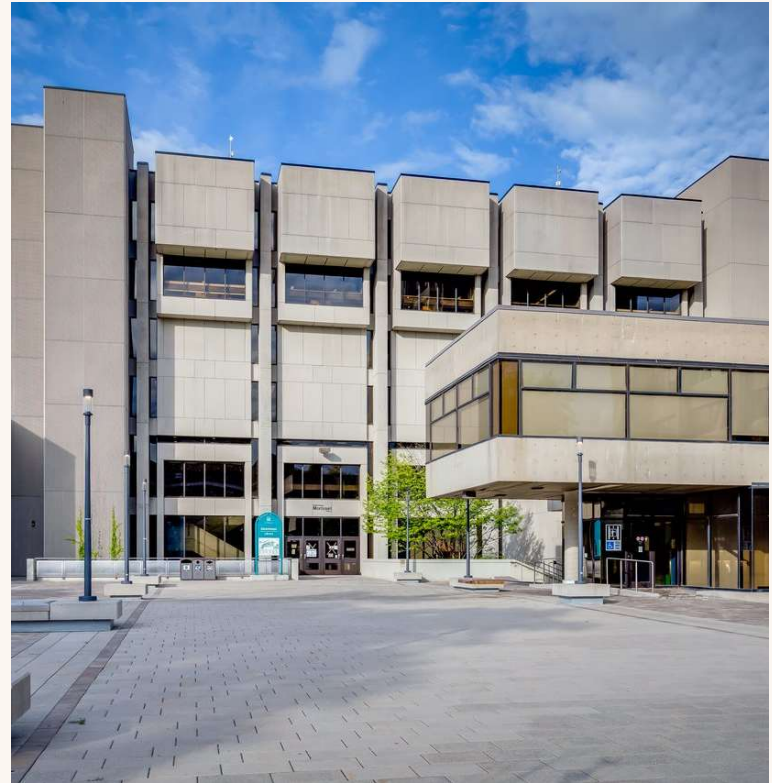
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Thanks!

Questions?

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