AGENDA

MONDAY, October 17, 2022

12:30 – 1:45  Conference Kickoff

- Lisa Pritchard, Depository Library Council (DLC) Chair, Director of Library Services and Coordinator of Government Documents, Jefferson College Library
- Hugh N. Halpern, Director, U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO)
- Scott Matheson, Superintendent of Documents, GPO
- Laurie B. Hall, Managing Director of Library Services & Content Management (LSCM), GPO

During this opening session, the event will be officially called to order, and opening remarks will be delivered. The 2022 Federal Depository Library of the Year award will also be presented.

1:45 – 2:00  Break

2:00 – 3:00  GPO: The National Collection Strategic Plan and the National Collection Service Areas

- Kate Pitcher, Chief of Federal Depository Support Services (FDSS), LSCM, GPO
- Cynthia Etkin, Sr. Program Planning Specialist (Librarian), Office of the Superintendent of Documents, GPO

Join us in this session to hear the latest about the implementation of the National Collection of U.S. Government Public Information, what the priorities will be for fiscal year 2023, and learn more about the service framework for the National Collection Service Areas.
2:00 – 3:00  **Librarianship at the Government Accountability Office: GAO Products and Center for Library Science Initiatives to Improve Discoverability**

- Nicole Willis, U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), Center for Library Science

The GAO serves the United States Congress and people by providing “timely, fact-based, non-partisan information that can be used to improve Government and save taxpayers billions of dollars.” As part of the Applied Research and Methods Team, the Center for Library Science works to provide research and reference services to the agency mission teams, other Government agencies, and the public. A major part of our work is to provide the various GAO products consistently published to internal and external requestors. To complete this work, GAO products must be properly cataloged, organized, and made publicly accessible in a manner that allows for quick and easy access. To make this possible, the Center for Library Science must regularly imagine new ways to streamline the organizational process through collaboration with other GAO mission teams and Government agencies.

The first part of this presentation will detail the types of products that GAO releases, as well as how requestors can use the public GAO website and library services to find the GAO products they need. The second part of the presentation will provide an overview of current library initiatives to effectively organize and make available the plethora of GAO products available for Government and public use. This includes projects to improve GAO internal and public-facing database search capabilities and working groups to create cohesive cataloging principles to better organize GAO products intuitively by type and content. At the end of this presentation, attendees will have a better understanding of the many GAO products available to the public, as well as an introduction to the ways in which the Center for Library Science operates to improve accessibility for all of its patrons—the public, GAO, and the Government at large.

3:00 - 3:15  **Break**
3:15 - 4:15  **Think Like an Archivist: A New Paradigm for Government Information**

- Kate Tallman, University of Colorado Boulder, Norlin Library
- Allan Van Hoye, Government Information and Civics Literacy Librarian, University of Colorado Boulder, Norlin Library
- Jen Kirk, Government Information Librarian, Merrill-Cazier Library, Utah State University

Across academic libraries, Government information units have been restructured into new departments. Hear from three Government information librarians as they discuss their experience adapting to their new home with special collections, archives, or rare books. What are the challenges and advantages to embracing the 'rare materials' mindset? What opportunities may come from these realignments? We welcome open discussion from all attendees.

3:15 - 4:15  **Peeling the Onion with Fewer Tears: Cataloging in Primo/Alma to Enhance Discovery & Access**

- Faye Mazzia, University of Central Florida, John C. Hitt Library
- Robin Chan, University of Central Florida, John C. Hitt Library
- Rich Gause, University of Central Florida, John C. Hitt Library

The University of Central Florida Libraries is undertaking two cataloging projects to improve discovery and access to the Government documents collection.

(1) Bound together reports/volumes of Government documents (bound-withs) pose unique cataloging challenges in discovery and circulation. The UCF Libraries offer best practices for bound-withs using Exlibris Alma and Primo VE with specific cataloging practices and display configurations.

(2) The Collections feature in Alma/Primo allows staff users to create local collections of mixed materials on any topic or subject matter. Utilizing this feature can be an effective tool for Government documents browsing and discovery.

Join the UCF Libraries team as we peel back the layers of cataloging, slice through Alma/Primo configurations, and serve up successful implementations of these projects.

4:15 - 4:30  **Break**
Feeling Democracy: Connecting students with civics using primary sources and government documents

- Allan Van Hoye, Government Information and Civics Literacy Librarian, University of Colorado Boulder, Norlin Library

Government information can be tedious, but it is vital to a thriving democracy. The session will show practical ways to connect students with government sources. Students often struggle with civic inquiry because of access barriers, lack of familiarity, and difficulty deciphering content. This often prevents the exploration of more complex ways of interacting with the government. By exposing students to documents that create a personal connection to government and history, we can foster students’ curiosity to help make the interaction less daunting.

Using affective, experiential learning techniques and grounded in critical pedagogy the presentation will start with the foundational concepts of these class sessions. We will then explore a couple of case studies from the teaching sessions of CU Boulder’s Rare and Distinct Collections at CU Libraries. Using the lessons from these case studies and other research, there will be a discussion of how this might look in practice. By providing a personal connection to the documents we have we can encourage students to look deeper into civics issues. By giving the students exposure to the documents in person and giving them time to explore them, we can help break down barriers to civic inquiry.

The goal of this poster is to provide a practical template for choosing and using government sources in the classroom and to begin a dialogue about libraries and other institutions can collaborate on civic inquiry.
Since its initial establishment in 1775 and nearly 250 years of institutional change and evolution since then, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has had a profound influence on U.S. military activities and controversial influences on U.S. civilian infrastructure and environmental history, including environmental policy. The Army Corps has Centers of Expertise in multiple subjects including climatic cold regions infrastructure, curating and managing archaeological collections, historical analyses of its programs, and domestic and international offices covering its activities in these regions. The Army Corps of Engineers also works with the military's Unified Combatant Commands in the event of military contingency, disaster, and humanitarian response operations. This institution has also digitized a significant variety of its information resources which can help users gain enhanced understanding of the enduring importance of this agency and its multifaceted policymaking.
TUESDAY, October 18, 2022

12:00 – 12:50  Virtual Snacks with Council (Meeting Room A)

- Topic: Open Educational Resources & Government Information
- Facilitators:
  - Susanne Caro, Government Information Librarian, North Dakota State University Libraries
  - Hayley Johnson, Head of Government Documents & Microforms, Louisiana State University, LSU Libraries

Many Government information resources are both public domain and education-focused, including lesson plans, research resources, and educational materials for all ages, making them perfect examples for Open Educational Resources (OERs). Talking about Government information as OER, how are you providing access to OER materials?

- Are they incorporated with other OER materials or as their own resource?
- Have you incorporated Government OERs into a textbook?
- How can you encourage use of these great resources?

12:00 – 12:50  Virtual Snacks with Council (Meeting Room B)

- Topic: Weeding through the Options: An Overview of Various Discard Processes in the FDLP
- Facilitators:
  - Jennifer Morgan, Government Documents Librarian, Jerome Hall Law Library, Indiana University Maurer School of Law
  - Jen Kirk, Government Information Librarian, Merrill-Cazier Library, Utah State University
  - Renée Bosman, Government Information Librarian, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

This snacks session will explore the various discard processes within FDLP libraries. It will allow participants to share experiences with and best practices for dealing with weeding/discards projects and will include an overview of FDLP guidelines. There will be time for questions from attendees who are new to the Program to learn more about how to find resources that apply to their library.

Discussion Questions:

- What brings you to this snack session today?
- Do you know how to find guidance for weeding?
- Do you know how to identify your library’s regional library?
- Do you have any best practices to share for large weeding projects?
1:00 – 2:00 DLC: Unique Challenges and Underserved Populations

- Allen Moye; Director, Rinn Law Library; DePaul College of Law
- Aimée C. Quinn, Assistant Librarian, Northern Arizona University, Yuma
- Cynthia Etkin, Sr. Program Planning Specialist (Librarian), Office of the Superintendent of Documents, GPO
- Jonathan Underwood, Assistant Professor, Database Maintenance & Government Documents/Reference Librarian, Tuskegee University
- Julieta Calderón, Librarian, Information Services Yuma County Library, Yuma Arizona

This session will provide an update on the working group exploring issues related to Federal depository libraries that may have unique challenges or work with underserved communities. Members of the committee will share results from the Biennial Survey of Federal Depository Libraries, as well as trends and preliminary observations. We will also hear representatives from these libraries describe how they have managed to address the issues and the role that GPO can play in helping to resolve them.

1:00 – 2:00 Found! Government Images

- Jennifer Castle, Assistant Professor, Instruction and Engagement Librarian, Tennessee State University
- Dominique Hallett, Government Information and STEM Librarian, Arkansas State University

For the average person, locating and using images can be fraught with complications. To circumvent some of these issues, one may look for Government images, since broadly speaking, most Government images are considered public domain materials, unless otherwise noted. While there are obvious sources for Government images (e.g., Library of Congress and the National Archives and Records Administration), others may not be as apparent or as easily located, such as the Fish and Wildlife Service National Digital Library and Art in the Senate.

In this session, we will cover various sources of Government images that patrons might be interested in using and how to locate such sources.

2:00 – 2:15 Break
2:15 – 3:15  **DLC: Community Collections and National Contributions: Pilot Projects with the Government Publishing Office**

- Kristina Bobe, Senior Management & Program Analyst, LSCM, GPO
- Melissa Fairfield, Senior Management & Program Analyst, LSCM, GPO
- Jen Kirk, Government Information Librarian, Merrill-Cazier Library, Utah State University
- Robbie Sittel, Government Information Librarian, University of North Texas Libraries

This presentation will explore GPO’s Pilot Projects, including a summary of Pilot Projects 1 and 2, and information from GPO on how to apply for future pilots. This discussion will be useful to FDLP coordinators who wish to learn more about the Pilot Projects, identify relevant materials in their collections, or ask questions about the Pilot Projects or their connections to the National Collection.

2:15 – 3:15  **GPO: New GovInfo Content and Enhancements**

- Jessica Tieman, Digital Preservation Librarian, LSCM, GPO
- Amanda Dunn; Program Planner; Programs, Strategy, & Technology (PST); GPO

Join us to learn about new content and features added to GovInfo over the past year. Features include new Related Documents linkages for bills, laws, committee prints, and the Congressional Record; enhancements to the API service; improved access to numerous publications, such as Senate amendments in the Congressional Record; new content for the digitized Congressional committee prints collection; plus so much more.

3:15 – 3:30  **Break**

3:30 – 4:30  **Regional Libraries Meeting**

- Regional Government Information Librarians (REGIL)

The Regional Libraries Meeting is open to all. The meeting will cover topics of relevance to regional FDLP libraries and will be led by regional coordinators from across the country. Quarterly updates related to National Collection Service Areas, including Regional Discards and Regional Online Selection, will also be addressed.
3:30 – 4:30  **Why We Continue to Say Yes to FDLP**

- Billie Jo Kaufman, Mercer University Law Library, Furman Smith Law Library

Many libraries continue to worry about the benefits of the FDLP. We created a rubric, did an analytical study, and weighed the +s and -s. This work bolstered our decision to say “yes.”

4:30 – 4:45  **Break**

4:45 – 5:30  **What Does the Green Dot Mean? Documenting Your Collection’s History**

- Gwen Sinclair, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa Library
- Claudene Sproles, University of Louisville, Ekstrom Library
- Angela Kent, Houston Public Library

Learn about the benefits of recording institutional memory so that current and future staff members can understand how past practices and events have shaped libraries, library collections, and library organizations. This session will explain what types of events, policies, and practices should be recorded for posterity. Participants will receive a link to a handout to help guide documentation of historical and current practices and procedures.

4:45 – 5:30  **“But It’s Not Shelved with the Government Documents”: A Librarian’s Strategy to Assist Library Staff to Identify Government Documents that are Not Located in the Government Documents Collection**

- Jesse Griffin, Cataloging and Metadata Services Librarian, UNC-Chapel Hill, Kathrine R. Everett Law Library

As depository coordinators help libraries update their Government documents holdings, finding these resources can prove tricky. This presentation will offer some tips I use to help identify these items in the Sierra ILS.

5:30  **Adjourn**
WEDNESDAY, October 19, 2022

12:00 – 12:50  **Virtual Snacks with Council (Meeting Room A)**

- Topic: Tips, Tricks, and Tech
- Facilitators:
  - Kelly Smith, Government Information Librarian/Librarian for Urban Studies & Planning and Environmental Studies and Policy, UC San Diego
  - Jen Kirk, Government Information Librarian, Merrill-Cazier Library, Utah State University
  - Susanne Caro, Government Information Librarian, North Dakota State University Libraries

This will be an open discussion about some lesser-known (and free!) technology tools, as well as general tech tips and tricks that librarians may find helpful in their daily work. While Council members will be prepared to talk about some of our own favorites, we also want to hear and learn from you. Join us and share the browser extensions/apps/web tools or tips on using specific tech tools that you think others may be unfamiliar with and find useful or interesting. We’ll highlight freely-available tools, but tips on other commonly used tools (e.g. LibGuides) are welcome.

12:00 – 12:50  **Virtual Snacks with Council (Meeting Room B)**

- Topic: Depository Library Council “Ask Us Anything”
- Facilitators:
  - Renée Bosman, Head of Interlibrary Services, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
  - Julia Ezzo, Government Information and Political Science Librarian, Michigan State University
  - Aimée Quinn, Assistant Librarian, Northern Arizona University, Yuma
  - Richard Leiter, Director of the Schmid Law Library and Professor of Law, University of Nebraska College of Law
  - Amy Laub-Carroll, Regional Depository Librarian, University of Kentucky (Lexington)

This session is open to everyone to spend time informally talking directly with Council members about anything. Now is the time to bring us your ideas and thoughts about the changes and challenges facing Government information today. Ask us your burning questions regarding the FDLP. What we do not know, we will investigate and get back to you.

12:50 – 1:00  **Break**
1:00 – 2:00 **DLC: Long-term Impact of COVID-19 Working Group: Initial Findings**

- Aimée C. Quinn, Assistant Librarian, Northern Arizona University, Yuma
- Cynthia Etkin, Sr. Program Planning Specialist (Librarian), Office of the Superintendent of Documents, GPO
- Lisa Pritchard, DLC Chair, Director of Library Services and Coordinator of Government Documents, Jefferson College Library
- Rick Mikulski, Instruction & Research Librarian, College of William & Mary

This working group was established by GPO Director Hugh N. Halpern in June 2021 to “examine the practices, policies, and procedures enacted by FDLs since March 2020 as they adapted to the COVID-19 pandemic.” Join working group members as they present initial findings of their ongoing data collection and analysis project. Using data from the 2021 Biennial Survey of Federal Depository Libraries, they seek to determine how FDLs adapted to the COVID-19 pandemic, specifically through the adoption and repeal of new policies and practices relating to:

- Public access
- Staffing
- Collection maintenance
- FDLP item selections
- Educational services
- Reference services
- Outreach services
- Processing

1:00 – 2:00 **Operation Lady Justice: Federal Government Resources on Missing & Murdered Indigenous Persons (MMIP)**

- Elizabeth Sanders, Lamar University, Mary and John Gray Library

This session will introduce Federal Government resources related to the missing & murdered indigenous persons (MMIP) crisis in the United States. Unfortunately, violence against American Indians and Alaskan Natives (AI/AN) is not new, but Federal Government attention to the issue of MMIP has resulted in numerous publications from 2015 to the present that may be of interest to researchers. This presentation will focus only on publications released between 2015 to 2022, using key Legislative and Executive documents to establish a timeline, discussing the Task Force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaskan Natives active from 2019-2021, and suggesting additional sources and search strategies for locating information on this topic. The goal is that participants will leave the presentation with knowledge of key terminology and sources to research this topic themselves or to assist users researching this topic.
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<td>This session will highlight the use of Government documents for researching issues critical to indigenous people in the United States. It will focus, in part, on records of harm caused by boarding schools, highlighting Department of Interior Secretary Haaland’s Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative, a “comprehensive effort to recognize the troubled legacy of Federal Indian boarding school policies with a goal of addressing their intergenerational impact and to shed light on the traumas of the past.”</td>
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<td>A Canvas course module was created for K-12 teachers to teach students about various Government resources, Government websites, etc. Teachers can potentially earn Continuing Education credits by completing the course. This presentation will highlight each learning module that describes different Government resources/sites, which educators can use with students.</td>
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<td>During this session, Council business and potential recommendations to GPO will be discussed.</td>
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3:30 – 4:30  **Unveiling a Hidden Collection: The Allen County Public Library's FDLP Inventory**

- Jacob Schmotzer; Senior Librarian, Government Documents; Allen County Public Library
- Nate Burnard, Main Library Manager, Allen County Public Library

We will share a presentation about the Allen County Public Library’s historic Federal Government documents inventory. Mainly, we will focus on the library’s current efforts to inventory, weed, and catalog the FDLP collection. We will go over these processes, sharing what works for us in hopes that our workflow might be adapted for use at other institutions. Additionally, we will address the library’s efforts to make these materials available electronically by linking to already-digitized materials and digitizing our own materials that are not currently available online. We hope to make our collection findable and accessible the world over by the end of this years-long project.

Along the way, we will share some of the humorous, outdated, and fascinating items we have come across during the inventory process.

Our ultimate goal is to encourage other depositories to reassess their collections and determine how they might be able to make their materials more accessible and findable. As more libraries become involved in making Government documents discoverable, researchers will gain greater access to our Nation’s most important publications, accounts of historic events, and a trove of historic data.

4:30 – 4:45  **Break**

4:45 – 5:30  **DLC Wrap Up & Closing**

- Members of the Depository Library Council

During this session, Council will review and discuss conference takeaways and DLC action items.

5:30  **Adjourn**

**Acronyms**

- DLC: Depository Library Council
- FDSS: Federal Depository Support Services
- GPO: U.S. Government Publishing Office
- LSCM: Library Services & Content Management
- LTS: Library Technical Services
- PST: Programs, Strategy, & Technology