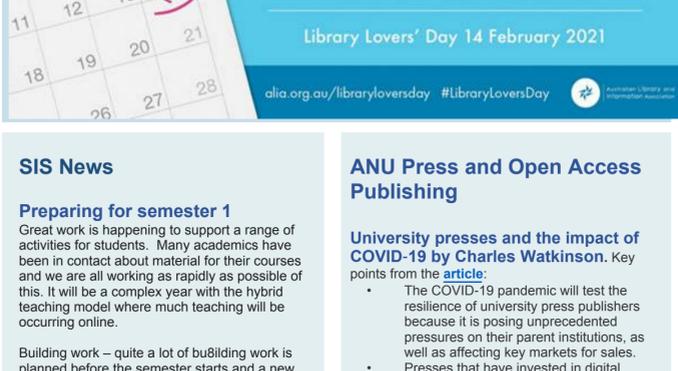




Australian National University

# From the University Librarian

29 January 2021



## SIS News

### Preparing for semester 1

Great work is happening to support a range of activities for students. Many academics have been in contact about material for their courses and we are all working as rapidly as possible of this. It will be a complex year with the hybrid teaching model where much teaching will be occurring online.

Building work – quite a lot of building work is planned before the semester starts and a new leak has developed in the Law Library. Thank you to everyone who helped mopping up yesterday. We are working with F&S to understand the scope of issues and any implications. A big thank you to Kel Glover for leading more work to source the Chifley smell.

Heather will shortly be in touch with standdown staff about the hours available for work on the flood replacement project and in libraries.

A meeting of stand downs will be held before the commencement of semester one as usual to cover issues including building knowledge of libraries and their requirements.

And the year is starting off with complex work in privacy, FOI and records – thanks to everyone assisting the university on these matters.

Regards

Roxanne

## COVID 19

### From ANU

Spatial distancing is still important to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Where possible, all people should stay approximately 1.5 metres apart from others.

However in accordance with ACT Health guidelines, it is COVID-safe to have up to one person per two square metres (1 per 2m<sup>2</sup>) in buildings where 'Check In CBR' QR Codes are displayed.

In these circumstances, people may be slightly closer than 1.5metres but this is deemed to be low risk given the current risk levels in the ACT.

Our [Public Health Directive on Venue Capacities](#) has been updated to reflect this.

### News

✓ The COVID Response Office is liaising with ACT Health to get soft copies of current 'Check In CBR' QR codes, and also to request issue of QR codes for buildings that do not have them as yet. We ask all areas to be patient while we process this as we are dependent on the ACT Health to get these issued.

### Emerging/ongoing issues

📄 The numbers of students from NSW hotspots who have to quarantine in student or private accommodation has been dramatically reduced due to ACT Health reducing the defined hotspot areas around Sydney..

### Web updates

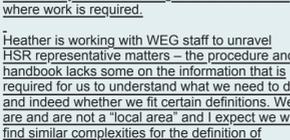
- 📄 The [Functions on Campus Protocol](#) has been updated to include the requirement for organisers of events for between 201 and 500 people to notify ACT Health and [submit their COVID Safe plan via an online form](#), as well as submitting a Functions on Campus eForm. Events over 500 will need an exemption in accordance with the COVID Safe Event Protocol, via the same form.

- 📄 Updated our [Public Health Directive on Venue Capacities](#) to further clarify venue capacities and spatial distancing requirements in line with Stage 4 of Canberra's Recovery.

- Published new [quarantine protocols, a fact sheet and a Behavioural Agreement](#) for students coming from NSW hotspots to complete their quarantine in student accommodation on campus.

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- [Travel advice](#)
- [Studying in 2021](#) – more to come on this page



## SIS news:

### Portfolio implementation plan.

The Implementation Plan relating to changes in the Operations Portfolio – Phase 2 was released to the Portfolio yesterday. A copy of the Implementation Plan is now available on the [Operations Portfolio ANU Recovery](#) webpage. It has also been forwarded to our colleagues at the NTEU. The key dates for the implementation are included in the table below.

If you have any questions regarding the implementation, please contact [coo@anu.edu.au](mailto:coo@anu.edu.au) or [org.change@anu.edu.au](mailto:org.change@anu.edu.au)

**WHS.** Thanks to all those working on WHS including Those compiling the weekly COVID-19 reports, Heather, Margaret and Belinda. Please remember to take care when using any steps and if you see trip hazards such as cords, please make sure they are removed.

**Kel Glover and the team continue to investigate the Chifley smell.** They were all her 6am on Wednesday for more testing and have identified where work is required.

**Heather is working with WEG staff to unravel HSR representative matters – the procedure and handbook lacks some of the information that is required for us to understand what we need to do and indeed whether we fit certain definitions. We are and are not a "local area" and I expect we will find similar complexities for the definition of "workplace". Thank you Heather.**

### Library Staff Consultative Committee meeting.

Still calling. Welcome to Jerome O'Connor.

- 1 member at APS1-4
- 1 member at ANU 5-8

Please forward nominations to Margaret Prescott.

## Copyright

### CAUL

- Congratulations to Cathrine Harboe on being recognised with an award in the Australia Day Honours

**A beautiful boy!** Congratulations to Katy and Farshad on the birth of beautiful baby Aryo. Another lovely boy to add to the family:



## Feedback.

Thank you very much for the information. This is great news.

I take the opportunity to thank all the Library staff again for the help provided during the challenging COVID-19 times.

Your prompt and positive response to the request... is very much appreciated, and will be welcomed by many future readers who would otherwise not have had access to this document.

thanks to the incredible and prompt support from Roxanne from the ANU Library who had one of the few remaining hard copies of the report.

[Roxanne Missingham](#)  
University Librarian

## Events

### ALIA Information Online

**When?** 8 February 2021  
**Where?** Online

**More details - Information available online.** We have taken out a package that means everyone can attend – details in the next newsletter. Put it in your diary – speakers include:

- Professor Marcia Langton AM, Foundation Chair of Australian Indigenous Studies, University of Melbourne.
- Eric Klunenberg, Helen Gould Shepard Professor of Social Science at NYU
- Prof Genevieve Bell, ANU
- You will receive a personalised link from ALIA.

### Undaunted Archivists and Curators from the American South Speak!

**When?** 7 February 18, 2021-12:30-2 p.m. PST  
**Where?** Online

**More details - Information available online.** This panel will unpack several ideas. First, it will tackle the question of what it means to be an undaunted archivist or a curator in time of climate-based externalities as well as pandemics such as COVID-19. Since most of the panels have been about the librarians and library administrators from both coasts, this panel will provide a forum to the archivists and curators and the Special Collections Curators from the South.

### DCDC21: Catalysts for change: transforming our practices, collections, and communities through times of crisis

**When?** 28 June – 2 July 2021  
**Where?** Online

**More details** DCDC21 will explore how crisis can act as a catalyst for change within libraries, archives, museums, and cultural organisations. It will explore the impact that crisis can have on working practices, collections, and audience engagement, and how periods of turbulence can lead to new opportunities for research and collaboration. It will seek to examine how cultural heritage organisations can look beyond times of crisis and foster innovation and collaboration in their institutions and communities. [Register here](#)

### 9th International Summit of the Book

**When?** December 9th-11th 2020  
**Where?** Online

**More details** Keynote Speakers

- Christine Mackenzie, IFLA President
- Shmil Serageldin, Founding Director of the Bibliotheca Alexandrina (BA).
- Tamar Kintsurashvili, Executive Director of Media Development Foundation.
- Tefko Saracevic, Professor Emeritus at the School of Communication and Information, Rutgers University.
- Melius Weideman, Founder and Leader of WARC, the Website Attributes Research Centre.
- Dilara Begum, Associate Professor and Chairperson in the Department of Information Studies and Library Management at East West University.

[Register here](#)

## HR Update

**ANU PROFESSIONAL STAFF MENTORING PROGRAM 2021 – MENTORS NEEDED.** Reminder – Nadine has called for expressions of interest. Opened for the 2021 program for mentors. Mentors can be professional staff from ANU occupying level 6/7 or higher employed in ongoing, fixed-term or continuing contingent funded positions for at least the duration of the mentoring program, in this case until the end of June 2021. More information about the program and how to apply as a mentor can be found on the [Professional Staff Mentoring Program](#) web page. Please note that the *EOI process for mentees has already closed owing to the high demand for mentor*

## ARDC

### Recent news:

**ARDC position. ARDC is seeking a temporary project coordinator** for the Institutional Underpinning program, playing a national overarching role. This role will be for the key phases in the project and will be a part time role. Expressions of interest due by 5 February. Any questions? Of so contact [natasha.simons@ardc.edu.au](mailto:natasha.simons@ardc.edu.au)

**Spatial information – ARDC and ICSM to collaborate.** On 14 December 2020, the ARDC and the Intergovernmental Committee on Surveying and Mapping (ICSM) formalised a strategic collaboration that encourages the Australian research community to share, use and attribute spatial data, research outputs, knowledge and skills to maximise research quality and impact. Under the Memorandum of Understanding, the ARDC and ICSM will collaborate on shared interests; for example, vocabularies, persistent identifiers, metadata standards, and technical solutions such as programming interfaces.

## ANU Press and Open Access Publishing

**University presses and the impact of COVID-19** by Charles Watkinson. Key points from the article:

- The COVID-19 pandemic will test the resilience of university press publishers because it is posing unprecedented pressures on their parent institutions, as well as affecting key markets for sales.
- Presses that have invested in digital technologies are recognizing the value of short-run digital printing and ebook distribution.
- Positive reactions to the temporary free-to-read programmes that many university presses put in place early in the pandemic have increased interest in sustainable open-access approaches among participating presses.
- Economic pressures have led to an increasing emphasis on the interdependent way in which the network of university presses provides vital infrastructure for humanities research.
- Differentiating concepts such as 'mission-driven' and 'values-based' are becoming more clearly articulated.
- University-based publishers have become energized by the opportunity to openly advance anti-racism and promote equity, justice, and inclusion.

### Accessible Publishing in Australia.

Dr Agata Mirva-Montoya from Sydney University Press has shared the results of research into Accessible Publishing in Australia, conducted with two target groups in 2020 – a [report](#) and a [snapshot](#) are out now. The first survey collected information from staff engaged in publishing activity regarding the key drivers and challenges to transitioning workflows to create "born-accessible" books. It found promising trends towards the implementation of accessibility. The second survey collected information from staff at Australian disability service organisations and university-based disability services units about the process of conversion of books into accessible formats. The respondents suggested several areas for improvement to make the conversion process easier and ensure faster access to books for individuals with print disabilities.

### Citing Software in Scholarly Publishing to Improve Reproducibility, Reuse, and Credit.

Daniel Katz and Hollydawn Murray present the FORCE11 [Software Citation Implementation Working Group's guidelines](#) for citing the software used in research publications

### Open Access tidbits.

- The AAAS has [updated its OA policy](#) to permit authors funded by cOAlition S funders to place a CC-BY or CC-BY-ND license on their accepted manuscripts to facilitate compliance with Plan S author rights retention policy. No fees and a trial!

- [Open Access and Global South: It Is More Than a Matter of Inclusion.](#) From Haseeb Irfanullah suggests there is complexity that is glossed over in talking of the "global south", rankings are biased against these nations, Gold OA is not sufficient and publishers from the Global south must be included in the change.



## Open Research

### News.

- Managing the publication explosion. A review of current methods and tools. A [new paper](#) with good practice findings. It starts: "Too much information, not enough time."

- [What Lies Behind Altmetrics Scores? A Guide on how to use Qualitative Approaches in Altmetrics.](#) This new report authored by Grischa Fraumann, a Member of LIBER's Innovative Metrics Working Group is very informative, offers 5 guidelines and has a helpful reading list

- [The 6 Pillars of Engaging Researchers in Research Data Management \(RDM\)](#) from the LIBER Research Data Management Working Group is also helpful and to the point.

## New in the repository

- [Improving the cardiometabolic health of people with psychosis: A protocol for a randomised controlled trial of the Physical Health Nurse Consultant service](#)

- [50 years since citizenship: successes and challenges in Indigenous health](#)

- [Sociocultural factors associated with attitudes toward suicide in Australia \[IN PRESS\]](#)

- [Assessing the support of health leadership for increased Indigenous participation in the health workforce](#)

- [Political settlements: old wine in new bottles?](#)

## Keeping up to date

### Student Privacy- DLF DataDoubles project.

This is a student-centered, three-year **research project** into student perspectives of privacy issues associated with academic library participation in learning analytics (LA) initiatives. Recent publications include:

- Jones, K. M. L., Briney, K. A., Goban, A., Salo, D., Asher, A., & Perry, M. R. (2020). [A comprehensive primer to library, learning analytics practices, initiatives, and privacy issues.](#) *College & Research Libraries*, 81(3), 570–591

- Jones, K. M. L., Asher, A., Goban, A., Perry, M. R., Salo, D., Briney, K. A., & Robertshaw, M. B. (2020). ["We're being tracked at all times": Student perspectives of their privacy in relation to learning analytics in higher education.](#) *Journal of the Association for Information Science and Technology*, 71(9), 1044–1059

### From the OAIC.

- The [OAIC submission](#) on the review of the Privacy Act is now available online.
- The latest [Notifiable Data Breaches Report](#) is out

### Notifiable Data Breaches Report July to December 2020



## PRIVACY AWARENESS WEEK

3 to 9 May 2021

### UNESCO Australian Memory of the World virtual symposium.

The AV recording from the recent UNESCO Australian Memory of the World virtual symposium – Documenting COVID 19 in Australia is now available on [YouTube](#).

### US Big Ten Academic Alliance.

The University Library Deans and Directors of the Big Ten Academic Alliance have [committed to managing the separate collections](#) of the Big Ten university libraries as a single collection. Managing for a single collection aims to improve user experience and the power of the consortium.

### ARL statement on US inauguration and the importance of research libraries.

The ARL President has released a [statement](#): The inauguration of the president of the United States is a quadrennial reminder of the important tradition of peaceful transition of power in a democracy."

### Researchers Still Don't Prioritize Publishers.

Roger Sconfield argues that researchers want a single dashboard to manage all their interactions with publishers – not one for each publisher."

### Higher education and the pandemic: key trends to watch in 2021.

An article in Times Higher Ed notes in relation to preprints: At the start of the pandemic, the use of preprints to disseminate research on Covid-19 exploded as scientists around the world scrambled to get a handle on the virus and its societal implications... According to the data, about 400,000 preprint articles were published in 2020, an increase of 47 per cent on the year before. Although 39,000 of these were classified as Covid-related papers, this still meant non-Covid preprints grew by a third, a rate of increase that was higher than the previous two years.

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### A Top 10 Trends at the 2020 Charleston Library Conference.

The [Wiley blog](#) has a great summary of the conference which was virtual last year. The first 5 trends are:

1. Librarians reacted quickly – and creatively – to adapt to the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. Despite (or because of?) the COVID-19 pandemic, open access (OA) is still top of mind.
3. Diversity, equity, and inclusion awareness efforts and initiatives are underway globally.
4. Libraries and consortia are re-assessing big deals to determine their value.
5. Librarians are evolving to deliver resources in a digital environment wherever possible.

### Transforming metadata into linked data to improve digital collection discoverability.

The OCLC [report](#) describes the results of the OCLC partnership with institutions that manage their digital collections with OCLC's CONTENTdm service to investigate methods for—and the feasibility of—transforming metadata into linked data to improve the discoverability and management of digitized cultural materials and their descriptions. In summary it found that Linked data can be used to add contextual information and to create a network of connections that better reflects knowledge in the real world.

### IFLA Continuing Professional Development and Workplace Learning (CPDWL) Section. Now available:

- [CPDWL Podcast Project episode](#) Knowledge Café - Daria Beliakova and CPDWL Consultant/Knowledge Management member Monica Erte

- [IFLA/ALA \(with NPSIG\) Webinar RECORDING: Open Access and Libraries: Lessons from COVID-19 and Our Paths Towards the Future](#) now available

### Digital shift. Now available online:

- Building digital skills and appetite for now and the future – Tiina Hill, Senior Manager, and James Akers, Tech Champion for Data Analytics and Insight, Digital Culture Network, Arts Council England

- Managing the digital dystopia – Claire Warwick, Professor of Digital Humanities, Durham University

- Pandemic effects and collection directions – Lorcan Dempsey, Vice President and Chief Strategist, OCLC

### Phishing – the silent librarian.

Phishing is an international phishing organization that "angles" for university network credentials on behalf of the Iranian government. Crane Hassold [recounts](#) its history and scope.

### Jill Biden spoke at ALA midwinter.

ALA's conference was virtual with a stunning array of speakers including Dr Biden – read about her speech [here](#). Including quotes such as : "Over and over, we use every talent, every skill, every tool we have to make a difference. Watching our students grow and finding their confidence—those are the moments that make the work worth it."