Strategic Plan 2015 - 2020

Vision
The Library advances research and education by connecting people with knowledge.

Mission
The Library:
• Provides quality resources and services to inspire and support learning, research, and scholarship for the University community.
• Offers collaborative teaching and learning environments for students, faculty and staff at the University of Regina.
• Strengthens our local, national and international partnerships to foster community cooperation.

Values
The Library shares the core values of the University of Regina:
• Mutual respect, integrity and honesty
• Inclusivity and diversity
• Pursuit of knowledge
• Community and social responsibility
• Accountability and well-being

In this context, we further commit to:
• Service excellence
• Responsible stewardship of collections and information resources
• Information literacy
• Open access to scholarly information
• Intellectual freedom and the right to privacy
• An innovative and engaging workplace
Enhance Learning

We will cultivate the learning of students, faculty, and staff through responsive services, supports, and gathering spaces situated in a collaborative environment that inspires and promotes learning and teaching.

Objectives

1. Maintain and expand the scope of collections to support teaching and learning, recognizing the importance of non-traditional materials.

2. Provide smart collaborative spaces, both physical and virtual, to enhance the teaching and learning experience.

3. Educate students, faculty and staff about the teaching and learning services, supports and training offered by the Library, CTL, and Archives.

4. Adopt technology to enhance students' learning experience and faculty teaching success.

5. Collaborate with departments, faculties and Federated Colleges to deliver effective courses, programs, services and supports.

6. Develop and promote services based on assessment and user feedback.

7. Provide lifelong learning tools and skill development to ensure all graduates are capable of assessing and utilizing information effectively.

Advance Research and Scholarship

We will foster the research and scholarship of students, faculty, and staff through the provision of essential and diverse resources. All stages of the research process will be supported: from inquiry and creation, to application, publication, and curation of all forms of scholarly content.

Objectives

1. Improve the evaluation, discovery of, and access to Library resources by securing a “next generation” library system and leveraging its expanded capabilities.

2. Increase and strengthen the Library's initiatives to digitize, curate, disseminate, and preserve University research, records, data, and collections.
3. Educate the campus community about open access, research dissemination, and copyright issues.

4. Support the research endeavours of the University by providing and fostering the integration of Library faculty expertise in all stages of the research process.

5. Continue to acquire and promote a diverse and responsive array of research resources in all formats.

Engage Communities

We will pursue opportunities for collaboration within the University of Regina community and with our local, national, and international partners. The development and direction of our programs, services and collections will be informed by these partnerships and community engagement activities.

Objectives

1. Broaden partnerships and collaboration with external libraries through implementation of a common next generation library system and discovery interface which can be used to support cooperative endeavors, expanding access to our respective collections and services.

2. Participate in or partner with appropriate campus entities or external communities to ensure that collections are showcased, preserved, and highly visible to students, faculty, staff, and the external community.

3. Engage with other libraries, universities, and organizations to optimize librarian services and strengthen connections and explore common opportunities.

4. Develop expertise that contributes to student success and explore collaborative opportunities with internal and external communities.

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