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News and Announcements

Alternative Textbook Grant Applications Due March 25

[University Libraries' Alternative Textbook Grant applications are open until March 25.](#)

The grants support instructors' adoption of open educational resources and other no-cost course materials. Applicants may receive up to \$2,500 to help reduce the cost of course materials through the adoption of OER and other materials free to students. Supplemental funds may also be available through instructors' academic units.

InterLibrary Loan and Sooner Express Service Interruption

Please note that interlibrary loan and Sooner Express services will be unavailable the morning of March 19 due to a server migration.

Featured Resource

Research Guides

Librarian created guides for detailed help on specific subjects, courses, and topics are available on [our website](#).

Research Libraries Updates

Each month, UL will provide the latest national and global news in academic research libraries and resources.

2024 Election Roundtable: Libraries Defending Democracy, Fighting for Funding, and Educating the Electorate

To help break down the relevant library issues in this election year, *Library Journal* convened a roundtable of experts. They covered everything from voter engagement strategies for libraries on the ballot to book ban advocacy in challenging districts to engaging the electorate in an important presidential election year. [Read more.](#)

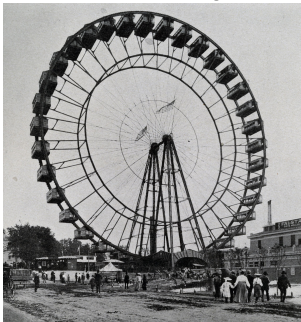
National Climate Action Strategy for Libraries

The American Library Association (ALA) and the Sustainable Libraries Initiative (SLI) have teamed up to create a National Climate Action Strategy for Libraries to be released later this year. [Read more.](#)

Exhibits at the University Libraries

Souvenirs of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition

Western History Collections, Monnet Hall, through July 2024



Curated by Morgan Ross and Travis Catalano, students in the art history seminar on World's Fairs taught by Emily Burns in Fall 2023, this exhibition focuses on souvenirs from the Robert O. Fay and Helen S. Fay Collection of World's Fair souvenirs, which consists of hundreds of souvenirs and ephemera mostly produced for sale and circulation at the 1904 Louisiana Purchase Exposition. This World's Fair celebrated the anniversary of the French sale of 530 million acres of territory

in 1803. The exhibition includes three thematic arrangements that highlight themes from this collection: Displaying People at the Fair, Bringing the Fair Home, and Fun at the Fair.

Atomic Era Materials from the Special Research Collections History of Science Collections, 5th Floor of Bizzell



To support and encourage student research projects on Atomic Era topics, materials have been gathered from the History of Science Collections and displayed on the 5th floor of Bizzell. Primary sources are on display in cases in the East Hall; secondary sources are available for browsing in our Reading Nook. Some materials are from the recently processed [Jens Rud Nielsen archive](#) (hours: Mon - Fri 9 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.). Select items are included on the [“Atomic Era” page of the History of Science Secondary Sources Research Guide](#).

If you are interested in discussing use of these materials to support instruction and research, please [contact History of Science Librarian JoAnn Palmeri](#).

Upcoming Events and Workshops

For a list of all upcoming UL events, visit [our events page](#).

Data Carpentry with R, Spreadsheets, and OpenRefine

March 18 - 19, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Online

[Registration required](#). Data Carpentry is a two-day workshop designed to teach beginning computing skills and best practices to faculty, staff, and students. This introductory workshop will cover how to incorporate better practices when working with data and to strengthen data management skills.

Visualizations in Python using Matplotlib

April 10, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., Bizzell LL123

[Registration required](#). [Matplotlib](#) is the most widely used scientific plotting library in [Python](#). This workshop will cover intermediate uses of matplotlib including making different types of graphs, customizing graphs, and producing batches of graphs from raw data.



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