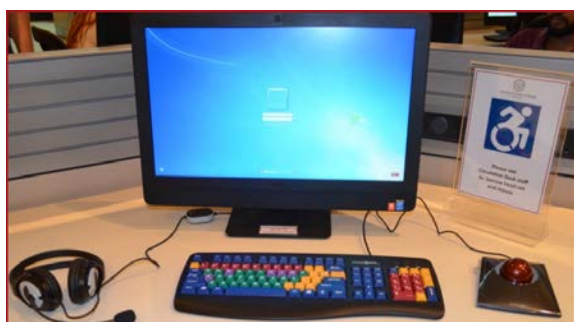# Library Update

New Accessibility Workstation Available in the Library

The AUS Library is pleased to announce the availability of a computer workstation with assistive technology. The workstation is located in the Information Commons area on the ground floor of the library and is equipped with a braille enhanced keyboard, trackball mouse and audio headset. Please speak to our Information Commons or Circulation Desk staff for assistance.

To learn more about the library's accessibility accommodations contact Rhonda Stricklett at rstricklett@aus.edu

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At a Glance

Citation Managers: Save yourself time and use a citation manager! The library provides access to three citation managers: EndNote Web, Flow, and Mendeley. Citation managers allow you to build your citation library, create a bibliography in a variety of styles and cite while you write your paper.

Research Consultations: Librarian Christine Furno recently held individual research consultations for Professor Pedersen's INS 495 Senior Seminar course. Students met with their librarian for a one hour research session to refine search strategies, learn EndNote Web and get assistance across a variety of research resources. Contact your liaison librarian to schedule a research class or consultation.

LibGuide for Research Assistants: Share the library's libguide, *How to be an Effective Research Assistant* (http://aus.libguides.com/researchassistant) with your research assistant. The guide explains how to search Journal Finder, create alerts for your research, find articles from a bibliography and more.

Sharjah Book Fair: The library acquired one hundred and sixteen books at the Sharjah Book Fair including two recent publications by His Highness Sheikh Dr. Sultan Bin Mohammad Al Qassimi, Supreme Council Member, Ruler of Sharjah, and President of American University of Sharjah. Sheikh Dr. Sultan's books "Sirat Madinah" "سيرة مدينة" (in Arabic) and the English translation of "Tahta rayat al-Ihtilal", "تحت راية الإحتلال", "Under the Flag of Occupation" are available in the library.

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Librarian Profile: Véronique Lecat

I was born in Hong Kong, but I've lived in Canada since I was 2 years old, spending my childhood in Mississauga, Ontario and later moving with my family to Montréal, Québec. After obtaining a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Waterloo, I got my Masters of Library and Information Studies from McGill University in 2012. I worked at the Canadian Museum of Civilization Library as well as the Library of Parliament in Ottawa.

I began working at AUS in September 2014. My position is Cataloging and Metadata Librarian, which essentially means my job is to make library resources findable. In addition, I work on dspace.aus.edu, which is our growing Institutional Repository. I'm also involved in a project to upgrade our library systems.

I'm really enjoying life here in the UAE. I'm taking the opportunity to travel to (relatively) nearby countries such as Nepal and Jordan. I also started Arabic lessons, where I've managed to learn the alphabet but my pronunciation still needs a lot of work!

You may e-mail Véronique at vlecat@aus.edu

Faculty Survey Results

The AUS Library recently conducted an online faculty survey aimed at exploring faculty use of the Library Liaison program with a view to enhancing existing services and outreach. We had 95 respondents from across all of our schools and our top three findings are as follows:

1) Acquisition and resource ordering remains a service of critical importance to faculty across all schools.

2) Different schools highlight different challenges when it comes to research and publication practice.

3) Selecting a publication channel, tracking research impact, and managing citations are reported challenge areas for faculty.

As a result of the survey here's how we are following up: We're providing department-targeted workshops, we're looking at how reporting on impact can be simplified through the use of templates and we're supplementing our findings with faculty interviews.

Learn more about tracking your research impact at aus.libguides.com/ResearchImpact

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Library Staff News

Rhonda Stricklett joined as Information Literacy Librarian and **Muhammad Yousaf** joined as Library IT Specialist.

Véronique Lecat attended the 10th International Conference on Open Repositories in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, June 8-11.

Daphne Flanagan attended the 11th Northumbria International Conference on Performance Measurement in Libraries and Information Services in Edinburgh, UK, July 20-22.

Alanna Ross & **Daphne Flanagan** presented "The Liaison Librarian Program – Meeting Faculty Needs?" at the Sharjah International Book Fair /ALA Conference on November 12. Librarians **Latifa Baali**, **Veronica Ramshaw**, **Paula Deakin, Véronique Lecat** and **Christine Furno** attended the conference.

Daphne Flanagan was appointed chair of the Institutional Research and Assessment Committee and **Christine Furno** is a member of the Information Literacy Committee for the American International Consortium of Academic Libraries (AMICAL).

Alanna Ross attended the Gale Symposium: Middle East: Partnering for Success, Dubai, October 28.