

# Library Newsletter



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## Recognition for Excellence

To support teaching and learning and to increase the visibility of good academic works of students of the University, the Library initiated an **Outstanding Academic Papers by Students (OAPS)** project and launched a pilot run with the support from the Department of Economics and Finance and the School of Law.

Selected papers have been archived in CityU Institutional Repository (CityU IR) for easy online access by students and staff of the University. *(For details of CityU IR, please refer to page 3.)*

Submission categories include term papers, term projects, case studies, reports of all courses at undergraduate and postgraduate levels. Teaching staff and academic departments have set stringent criteria for evaluating the entries.

To recognize the accomplishment of the students, a Certificate Awarding Ceremony was held on April 25. Dr Jerry Yu, Chief Information Officer, extended a warm welcome to all participants and added that as the OAPS Project evolved, it was hoped that the outcomes of the Project would contribute to facilitate e-learning and outcome-based learning for the University community.

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*Prof Richard Ho, Vice President for Undergraduate Education, and Prof Lilian Vrijmoed, Dean of Student Learning, spoke to the students after the prize presentation.*

*Prof Peter Malanczuk, Dean of the School of Law, with the winners.*



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*Prof Eden Yu, Head of Department of Economics and Finance, with the winners.*



## Library Materials on the Move

Currently, seating space in the library is extremely tight and the existing book stacks have reached the saturation point. With an annual growth rate of 40,000 volumes in the Library collection, relocation and weeding exercises have to be carried out from time to time.

### Summer Relocation Exercise



Further to the relocation exercise back in 2002, the Library is carrying out another major relocation plan this Summer. During the last couple of months, the Library has been in contact with faculty of different departments, soliciting their opinions. Based on faculty's comments and also the observed usage pattern, the Library has come up to a set of de-selection criteria which have been formally endorsed by the Committee on Information Services and Technology (CIST) in its meeting held on 3 May 2006.

### De-selection Criteria

Some 76,000 volumes of low-use books will be relocated to the Library Archive. The de-selection criteria this time are more conservative when compared to those for the 2002 relocation exercise. Only books that have not been checked out in the past 4 years, but have already been in the collection for at least 6 years, will be relocated.

As for journals, some 40,000 volumes of bound journals will also be relocated according to criteria outlined in the following table:

Journals to be relocated	Remarks
1. if e-version is available	- Latest issues from 2005 onwards will be kept on Campus
2. if e-version is not available, back files of titles with call numbers starting from A – P published before 1996 (except Class K)	- Latest 10 years will be kept on Campus - Subject Coverage: Arts & Humanities/Social Sciences/ Business
3. if e-version is not available, back files of titles with call numbers starting from Q – Z published before 2001	- Latest 5 years will be kept on Campus - Subject Coverage: Science and Technology

### Frequently Used Journals Still Available on Campus

Since the relocation exercise ties with some other library improvement works, all bound journals will need to be moved to the Library Archive from June to September. However, those that do not fall into the de-selection criteria will be moved back by the new academic year. To minimize the inconvenience caused, some 2,000 volumes of frequently used journals will be retained on campus and be temporarily housed in the Compact Storage at the Law Section.

### Material Retrieval Mechanism

Materials relocated to Library Archive can still be easily requested via our Library Catalogue. In fact, the retrieval mechanism has been in place since the Library's very first relocation exercise back in 2002 and it has proved to be efficient. Under normal circumstances, requested items can be delivered to the campus for users to pick up or borrow within 1 to 2 working days. Enquiries on relocated books and bound journals can be directed to the Circulation Counter (2788-8316) and the Serials Counter (2788-7071) respectively.

## CityU Institutional Repository

<http://dspace.cityu.edu.hk/>

CityU Institutional Repository (CityU IR) was launched in February 2006 as part of the Library's digital initiative projects. It is created to capture, preserve and distribute the intellectual output of the University.

### Built on an open source system

CityU IR is built on DSpace, an open source system jointly developed by MIT and Hewlett-Packard. One characteristic of CityU IR is that the metadata stored inside is compliant with the Open Archives Initiative Metadata Harvesting Protocol (OAI-PMH). This allows items to be easily indexed and discovered by major search engines like Google.

### Citation of digital work made simple and long-lasting

Another feature of the CityU IR is that items deposited in the Repository are assigned with persistent identifiers using the CNRI (Corporation for National Research Initiatives) Handle System. This allows the name of the item to persist over changes of location and makes the citing of digital work simple and ensures it remains valid for long periods.

### Benefits of depositing scholarly works in the Repository

There are a number of benefits of depositing scholarly works in the Repository.

- Preserves and provides long-term access to the intellectual output of faculty, research staff and students.
- Increases the visibility and prestige of CityU.
- Provides an alternate platform to publish the research works. As long as copyright is cleared, works deposited can include journal articles, pre-prints, post-prints, working papers, technical papers, conference papers and presentations.
- The materials deposited in the Repository can serve as a rich resource that will help support teaching and learning in the University.

### Collection coverage

Current collections in CityU IR include OAPS (Outstanding Academic Papers by Students), Students Works with External Awards, Undergraduate Final Year Projects. Collections to be added include Electronic Theses and Dissertations. It is hoped that more researchers will support the CityU IR project.

If you or your department has any materials to deposit, please contact the Library at 2788-8384 (Miss Angel Lin) or e-mail to [angel.lslin@cityu.edu.hk](mailto:angel.lslin@cityu.edu.hk). To facilitate the deposit process, the Library is working on an online submission module. Please watch out for our announcement.

## Digital Artwork Collection

<http://www.cityu.edu.hk/lib/digital/gallery/>

Library Art Gallery, as part of our Digital Initiatives, is to provide an online repository of artworks owned by the University with the aim to promote art appreciation by the University community.

The digital collection of Mr Tsui Kar-yeung's artwork is currently showcased online in the Gallery. Mr Tsui, a pioneer of post-modern Chinese art, is a good old friend of CityU. He has donated over 200 pieces of calligraphy and paintings to CityU during the past decade, and a number of them are with the Library.

## New Way to Acquire Knowledge

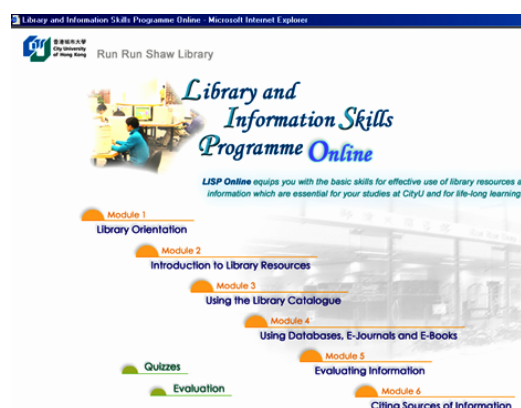
With the aim of improving the ability of students to make effective use of the Library collections, services, and various electronic resources as well as to evaluate and use information appropriately and ethically in their academic pursuit, the **Library and Information Skills Programme Online (LISP Online)** was launched in January 2006. Now students can acquire library and information skills at any time, at any place and at their own pace! What's more? Registered students can opt for an e-certificate on successful completion of the Programme.

The Programme is to be accessed on the University wide e-learning platform, Blackboard, and consists of 6 self-paced interactive learning modules:

1. Library Orientation
2. Introduction to Library Resources
3. Using the Library Catalogue
4. Using Databases, E-Journals and E-Books
5. Evaluating Information
6. Citing Sources of Information

For details of the Programme and for registration instruction, please visit:

<http://www.cityu.edu.hk/lib/instruct/lispo/>



## e-Resources Update

**New eBooks** (<http://www.cityu.edu.hk/lib/eres/ebook/>)

By joining a Chinese ebook consortium, the Library provides access to over 43,800 additional Chinese titles in the Apabi eBook collection.

**Other New Databases** (<http://www.cityu.edu.hk/lib/eres/database/dbnew.htm>)

- Board Analyst
- Encyclopedia of Communication and Information
- Library, Information Science and Technology Abstracts
- KluwerArbitration
- Lloyd's Law Reports



## Security Alert

Users are advised to take good care of their personal belongings and laptop computers. Tighter security measures have also been stepped up inside the Library.