

## *Academic Librarianship: Developing a Research Program for Tenure and Beyond*

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### Suggested Reading Materials

#### General

Eberhart, G. M. (Ed.). (2006). *Whole library handbook (4<sup>th</sup> ed.)* Chicago: American Library Association.

Recruitment, positions, the profession, grants and awards, research and writing, collections, issues, and Librarianship

#### Writing and Publication

Gordon, R. S. (2004). *Librarian's guide to writing for publication*. Lanham, MD: Scarecrow Press.

Labaree, R. V. (2004). Tips for getting published in scholarly journals. *College & Research Libraries News*, 65(3), 137-139.

#### Research and Academic Librarianship

Busha, C. H. & Harter, S. P. (1980). *Research methods in librarianship: Techniques and interpretation*. New York: Academic Press.

Campbell, D. T. & Stanley, J. C. (1973). *Experimental and quasi-experimental designs for research*. Chicago: Rand McNally.

Cook, T. D. & Campbell, T. D. (1979). *Quasi-experimentation: Design and analysis issues for field settings*. Chicago: Rand McNally.

Dewey, B. I. (1997). In search of practical applications: A public services research agenda for university libraries. *Journal of Academic Librarianship*, September, 371-379.

Powell, R. R. (1997). *Basic research methods for librarians (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.)*. Greenwich, CT: Ablex.

#### Sage Series – Quantitative Applications in the Social Sciences

[150 titles; each book is approximately 80 pages and covers a particular topic in detail. See separate handout for list of individual titles]

Sechrest, L. B. & Scott, A. G. (Eds.) (1993). *Understanding causes and generalizing about them*. San Francisco: Jossey-Bass.

## Selected Research Examples, Sources, and Ideas

Applegate, R. (2006). Faculty information assignments: A longitudinal examination of variations in survey results. *Journal of Academic Librarianship*, 32(4), 355-363.

[includes survey on types of materials students are required to use, and degree of library material usage required]

Biele, P. B., Boote, D. N., & Killingsworth, E. K. (2004). "A microscope or a mirror?" A question of study validity regarding the use of dissertation citation analysis for evaluating research collections. *Journal of Academic Librarianship*, 30(5), 347-353.

Coughlin, C. & Snelson, P.. (1983). Searching for research in ACRL conference papers. *Journal of Academic Librarianship*, 9(1), 21-26.

[Appendix A is "Research Report Evaluation form" for content analysis of 'research' articles; also measured inter-rater reliability of form; based on Atherton, 1975 and Van de Water, et al, 1976]

Howze, P. C. & Dalrymple, C. (2004). Consensus without all the meetings: using the Delphi method to determine course content for library instruction. *Reference Services Review*, 32(2), 174-184.

Liaw, S., Chang, W., Hung, W., & Huang, H. (2006). Attitudes toward search engines as a learning assisted tool: Approach of Liaw and Huang's research model. *Computers in Human Behavior*, 22, 177-190.

[contains attitude questionnaire and factor analysis of attitude components]

Novotny, E. & Cahoy, E. S. (2006). If we teach, do they learn? The impact of instruction on online catalog search strategies. *Portal: Libraries and the Academy*, 6(2), 155-167.

[provides citations, and video via Muse links demonstrating 'think-aloud' method and verbal protocol analysis]

Rice, R. (1997). Data sources for library and information science research. *LIBRES: Library and Information Science Research*, 7(1) [electronic journal] <http://curtin.edu.au/libre7n1/rice.htm>

[reference list contains citations and links to data collected by agencies and available for secondary analysis]

Robinson, L. T. K. (2006). Curmudgeons and dragons? A content analysis of the Australian print media's portrayal of the information profession 2000 to 2004. *LIBRES: Library and Information Science Research*, 16(2) [electronic journal] <http://libres.curtin.edu.au/libres16n2/Robinson.pdf>

[includes data coding sheet]

Spink, A., Park, M., & Koshman, S. (2006). Factors affecting assigned information problem ordering during web search: An exploratory study. *Information Processing and Management*, 42, 1366-1378.

[includes detailed methodology and pre- and post-websearch questionnaires]

Starr, J. (2004). A measure of change: Comparing library job advertisements of 1983 and 2003. *LIBRES*, 14(2) [electronic journal] [http://libres.curtin.edu.au/libres14n2/Starr\\_final.htm](http://libres.curtin.edu.au/libres14n2/Starr_final.htm).

[appendix includes data-gathering template]

Wong, G., Chan, D., & Chu, S. (2006). Assessing the enduring impact of library instruction programs. *Journal of Academic Librarianship*, 32(4), 384-395.

[contains student survey evaluating usefulness of library classes over the long-term]