Vision
To enhance the university experience by creating a world-class library that facilitates exploration and scholarship.

Mission
To provide intellectual resources, innovative technology tools and an inspiring physical and virtual environment to serve TCU’s diverse community of learners, supported by approachable and resourceful staff.

Core Values
- **Service**: excellence, inclusiveness and dedication in serving our diverse stakeholders
- **Integrity**: adherence to principles, attentive to ethical considerations and respectful of confidentiality
- **Access**: optimal, uncensored and equitable access – whether independent or facilitated – to worldwide information and services
- **Innovation**: novel, flexible and creative approaches to services, technologies and resources
- **Teamwork**: superior results through cooperation and mutual respect
- **Environment**: comfortable, safe and convenient spaces conducive to study, work, teaching and research
- **Scholarship**: knowledge management, promotion of information literacy and support for intellectual endeavor
- **Resource Sharing**: expanded opportunities through collaboration with internal and external partners

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Letter from the Dean of the TCU Library

I am asked now and then, do students use the library? Do you have many people who actually come in to the building? The answer is a resounding, YES. In looking back over the past year, and very much ongoing this year, I see a library packed with students. There are times when we don’t have enough seats for everyone. We see more than 85% of the TCU student body each semester. I consider our “middle of the night” hours to be 1 a.m. to 7 a.m., even then, we had 2,000 different TCU students in the building during these hours.

Of particular importance to me are the 141 library instruction sessions taught to 2,930 TCU students (a 22% increase in student participation since 2008/09). I view the library’s teaching mission as one of its major responsibilities. We partner with TCU faculty to assist students on how to find and how to evaluate information in today’s world, no matter which major or which degree they complete.

The TCU Library is heavily used by those in the building and is a much-used electronic environment over the internet. The library provides access to more than 65,000 journals and more than 300 databases. The electronic collections are the reason for the active teaching role, in that many of these resources don’t have print counterparts; there is not a strong likelihood students will know how to use these proprietary databases because they are not accessible on the open web. Our librarians close the loop between information resources and course assignments as librarians and faculty all participate in the educational process. So if asked by others, yes, the library is a busy place both electronically and in the building.

In the Annual Report that follows, you will find highlights about the previous fiscal year. This report is an opportunity to keep you informed about activities, library staff, resources and services and provides a few library statistics. Either as donors to the library or as members of the Friends of the TCU Library, we appreciate your interest and are grateful for your support. If you are on campus, please make a point to stop by to see how today’s library is used and to visit the Dean’s office.

Sincerely,

Dr. June Koelker
Dean, The TCU Library
Many academic, as well as public libraries, now owe a great part of their success to friends organizations. The essential ingredient is laymen dedicated to the growth and improvement of a library as a repository of knowledge and literature.

—Dr. Paul M. Parham, Fort Worth Star Telegram, January 22, 1972

For more than three decades, Friends of the TCU Library has contributed ongoing support with gifts that allowed the library to add to its important resources. Through a generous gift from the Friends of the TCU Library, our Special Collections area purchased a Konica Minolta PS7000C MKII full-color digital book scanner. This new scanner allows staff to digitize oversized books, maps, posters, graphics and art work. It is ideal for handling fragile material.

The scanner is currently being used to digitize numerous special projects, including:

- A large collection of Fort Worth Star-Telegram editorial cartoons by Harold Maples
- The Abell-Hanger collection of antique maps
- Special Collections poster collection

The scanner will be most useful in copying and digitizing material which could not be copied previously because of it being too large or too fragile for existing equipment.

**Special Gift**

Gifts-in-kind are donations of books and other items that enhance the library’s collection. The TCU Library was fortunate to receive a generous gift from a long-time Friend and Library supporter during the 2009/2010 fiscal year.

The gift: a first edition copy of *Why Frau Frohmann Raised Her Prices and Other Stories*, one of Anthony Trollope’s rarer books. Published in London in December 1881, this historic edition is bound in a bright blue cloth which highlights it as a premium edition. This rare book is now part of our Special Collections area.

“The TCU Library is very happy to have added this fine, bright copy to the Library’s Anthony Trollope collection,” comments Roger Rainwater, Head of Special Collections.

**FRIENDS of the TCU Library Officers and Board of Directors 2009-2010**

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**Generous gifts/contributions are key in funding TCU Library projects and continue to make a difference in the future.**
The TCU Library hosted the Ex Libris Users of North America (ELUNA) Annual Conference with more than 500 attendees from all over the world. The conference was held downtown Fort Worth at the Omni Hotel, Sheraton and Fort Worth Convention Center in May 2010.

ELUNA is a not-for-profit educational group of users of library software products licensed by Ex Libris. ELUNA connects member institutions to a network of other users of ExLibris Products. Members share best practices with peer institutions and support each other through meetings, networking and hosted e-mail discussion lists. ELUNA works toward improvement of Ex Libris Products.

The users group comprises librarians and computer systems staff from libraries using:

- Alpeh
- Voyager
- Primo
- Verde
- SFX
- MetalLib
- Digitool
- Rosetta

TCU Library’s integrated Library System (ILS) is Aleph and provides the TCU and Cultural District Library Consortium (CDLC) the ability to purchase, organize and access more than 2 million items in our respective libraries. TCU Library Special Collections is using Digitool to organize and maintain electronic copies of unique archival items. A collection of TCU photos through the ages is now available through Digitool.

Jeff Bond, Science Librarian

Jeff Bond Wins 2010 Friends of the TCU Library Staff Excellence Award

Since becoming the science librarian, Jeff has worked tirelessly in educating our students and faculty about the library. Jeff is the best reference librarian I have dealt with at TCU.

His outstanding performance and ability to work vigorously assisting and educating faculty and students with their library needs, won Jeff Bond the 2010 Staff Excellence Award. As Science Librarian, Jeff has become a valuable resource for TCU students, faculty and staff as he provides personalized, in-depth assistance. Currently working on his masters in mathematics, Jeff also demonstrates the ability to balance his time between work and his studies.

The Friends of the TCU Library established this annual award 12 years ago to reward a library staff member who has been exceptionally helpful and/or who has distinguished themselves as an outstanding library employee. Nominations are requested from faculty, staff and students.

Jeff was presented with his award at the annual Library Staff Luncheon January 2010.
After a year of planning, the TCU Library unveiled its redesigned website January 2010. The new site — a collaborative effort of library staff, spearheaded by Tracy Hull, Associate Dean and Stephanie Folse, Library Webmaster — features a more accessible, user-friendly home page that better supports the TCU community.

The newly redesigned website replaces an old design that had been in place since 2005. New tools and a new format allow the site to be updated faster and easier than before and guarantees users with up-to-date information. The site provides immediate access to library owned materials via a search box on the front page. A *What’s Happening* section was also added that provides readers with news they can use.

The library’s revamped website is now more visually attractive and much easier to navigate:

- Expert users can find their most used items under the *Research and Tools* tab.
- Those new to the TCU library can find more information about the variety of tools and how to use them under the *How Do I…?* tab which also provides links to our tutorials.
- The *Services For* tab groups items available to the different library user groups including *Friends of the Library*.
- The *Library Information* tab has what you need to get in touch with a specific person or department, a little history about the library and more.

Testimonials

*Great job on the new design! Thanks for all you do to make the library one of the best in the nation!* - Keith Whitworth - TCU Faculty

*Just a quick note to let you know the new design is outstanding! It is a vast improvement. Thanks to all involved.* - John D. Horner, Professor, Department of Biology

*I am pleased with the minimalist layout that doesn’t distract me from what I want to accomplish. Thank you for all your excellent work!* - Scot Hanson, TCU Graduate Student

*The new website is terrific. Much cleaner, easier to navigate. Nicely done.* - Ray Pfeiffer, TCU Student
Debra Dean Speaks at Friends’ Annual Dinner

Debra Dean, author of *The Madonnas of Leningrad*, was the guest speaker at the Friends of the TCU Library annual dinner in March 2010.

Dean entertained guests with her stories of how she began writing and publishing and what inspired her to write her debut novel.

The novel, *The Madonnas of Leningrad*, is a fictionalized account of being a docent at the Hermitage State Museum in St. Petersburg (Leningrad) Russia during World War II. The author based her novel on the 900 day siege of the city by Nazi Germany during World War II. This book became a New York Times Editor’s choice, a Notable Book of the Year by the American Library Association and a Booklist Top 10 Novel.

A former actress in the New York theatre, Debra Dean now teaches creative writing in Miami and is at work on her new novel set in the reign of Catherine the Great.

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Dr. David B. Gracy II: An Appreciation of History

Dr. David B. Gracy II, the Governor Bill Daniel Professor in Archival Enterprise at UT-Austin helped the TCU Library celebrate Archive Month in October as he spoke about the importance of archives and the historical record. His presentation enabled the audience enter the past in the most meaningful and engaging way – through imagination.

Gracy explained the search for history is an imaginative quest, and the person that researches the data and records available in archives usually embarks on a process of self-discovery as well. This was evident as long ago as the time of Herodotus, who defined history as “finding out for oneself.”

Gracy has taught Archival enterprise at UT-Austin for nearly 30 years and his distinguished career includes establishing the Southern Labor Archives at Georgia State University and serving as the State Archivist of Texas.

During Dr. Gracy’s presentation, an exhibit of numerous and rare treasures from the library’s archival collection was on display.

“A library is a delivery room for the birth of ideas, a place where history comes to life.”

-Norman Cousins
The TCU Library hosted two FacultySpeak Events during 2009/2010 year. Sponsored by the Friends of the TCU Library, FacultySpeak is a semi-annual academic lecture presented by TCU faculty. These special events take place in the fall and spring and are open to the public. Both events generated a large number of interested listeners.

**Fall FacultySpeak**

In November 2009, The Friends of the TCU Library Fall FacultySpeak Event was, *Iran After the Disputed Presidential Election of 2009*, with Dr. Manochehr Dorraj, of the Political Science Department, as guest speaker. Dr. Dorraj is a frequent commentator on global and Middle Eastern affairs and spoke knowledgeably about his research with a particular focus on Iran.

Dorraj earned his PhD from UT Austin and has been on the TCU faculty since 1990. He has earned many teaching awards while at TCU, including:

- The Most Inspiring Professor Award, TCU 2004
- Faculty Appreciation Award in recognition of Distinguished Teaching and Service, TCU 2002 and 2000
- TCU Professor of the Year, 1998

**Spring FacultySpeak**

Dr. Fred Erisman presented *Build, Buy and Borrow: Three Girls and the Airplane* at the April 2010 FacultySpeak. His topic was based on his book, *From Birdwomen to Skygirls*, which depicts American attitudes toward women in aviation during the 1930s and how those attitudes were conveyed to the young. Erisman interestingly talked about how the birdwomen of the pre-World War I era were capable and independent-minded. He made the connection from the first bold fliers of the 1910s to those who led the charge for change in the 1960s and 1970s and how women in general learned to “spread their wings.”

Erisman was an English professor at TCU for 35 years. He held the Charles A. Lindbergh Chair of Aerospace History at the National Air and Space Museum, Smithsonian Institution 2002-2003.

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**Archive Photos Tell the TCU Story**

- **Frog Fountain and Amon G. Carter Stadium 1972**
- **Super Frog 1970**
- **TCU Football 1910**
- **View of TCU Campus 1940**
- **Reference Librarian Desk 1958**
The TCU Library and the TCU Koehler Center for Teaching Excellence implemented a new partnership to embed librarians in the University’s eCollege online teaching program. These librarians assist faculty and students with identifying appropriate research databases and conducting research to find valid scholarly resources to support their coursework. Having the librarians enrolled in eCollege courses helps provide one more access point to further personalized assistance for the students and faculty in a particular course.

Additionally, these librarians are available to work with faculty to develop library instruction sessions and/or online research guides tailored to specific courses. They also help with access to electronic journal articles, databases and other resources available to support teaching objectives.

Librarians and their liaison areas:

**Business Librarian**

- Diana Boerner
  - Department liaison for
    - Accounting
    - Business
    - Economics
    - Finance
    - Information Systems & Supply Chain Management
    - Journalism
    - Management
    - Marketing
    - Ranch Management

**Science Librarian**

- Jeff Bond
  - Department liaison for
    - Biology
    - Chemistry
    - Computer Science
    - Engineering
    - Geology, Energy & the Environment
    - Mathematics
    - Physics & Astronomy
    - Psychology

**Arts and Humanities**

- Ammie Harrison
  - Department liaison for
    - School of Art & Art History
    - Design, Merchandising & Textiles
    - English
    - Modern Language Studies
    - Film, Television & Digital Media
    - Theatre
    - Spanish & Hispanic Studies
Librarians and Their Liaison Areas

Robyn Reid

Social Sciences
Department liaison for
Anthropology
Communication Studies
Criminal Justice
Education
History & Geography
Sociology

Alysha Sapp

Nursing and Health Sciences
Department liaison for
Communication Sciences & Disorders
Kinesiology
Nursing
Nurse Anesthesia
Nutrition Sciences
Social Work

Laura Steinbach

Orientation
Department liaison for
Political Science
Military Science

Cari Alexander

Music/Media Librarian (Music/Media Library)
Subject Librarian For:
Music

Charles Bellinger

Divinity & Religion Librarian (Brite Divinity School)
Subject Librarian For:
Philosophy
Religion
Theology

Laura Ruede

Assistant Music/Media Librarian,
Van Cliburn Archivist (Music/Media Library)
Subject Librarian For:
Classical & Contemporary Dance
Meet New Library Employees

The TCU Library continues to hire its staff who epitomize commitment and service to students and faculty. We are pleased to introduce five new employees who bring an enthusiasm of work and pride to our library.

Robyn Reid was hired as our new Social Sciences Librarian. She came to TCU from Point Loma Nazarene University as Document Delivery and Archives Assistant. Her degrees include a M.L.S. from San Jose State University, M. Ed. from Azusa Pacific University and a B.A. in History from UC-Santa Barbara.

Janice Hicks is our new Library Specialist I in the Cataloging Department. Janice holds a B.S. in Business Administration from the University of Missouri, a M.A. in Adult Development from St. Joseph College and is currently working on her Library Technical Assistant certification through the University of Maine. She has worked as a Library Assistant at Watauga Public Library and volunteered at the Fort Worth Public Library.

Clare Taylor works in the Interlibrary Loan Department as Library Specialist I. Before coming to the TCU Library she volunteered as a Library Aide at the Carroll High School library in Southlake. Clare holds a B.S. in Horticulture from Texas Tech University.

Amy Leslie splits her time between the Special Collections and Reference Department as Library Specialist I. She has her B.A. in Philosophy from TCU and is working toward her Masters in Library Science. Amy came here from Petrocas Energy as a Title Research Agent. She is very familiar with the TCU Library as she worked in the Government Information office while attending TCU.

Michael Crawford was hired as the new third-shift, 10 p.m. – 7 a.m., Information Commons Lab Manager. He has a B.A. from the University of North (UNT) and also studied computer engineering at Texas A&M. At both UNT and Texas A&M, Michael worked as an engineer at the campus radio stations, in which he was responsible for installing and troubleshooting all the computer software and hardware, training a large staff of DJs in the use of both computer and audio equipment and writing technical documentation.

PROMOTIONS: The library’s career ladder provides recognition of multi-year achievements by exempt staff in areas of job performance, professional activities and service. Candidates may apply for a promotion in academic rank each year. Applications are looked at by the Peer Review Committee with a recommendation to the Dean of the Library. If approved, the Dean recommends to the Provost the individuals be awarded career advancement. Walter Betts and Diana Boerner were awarded promotions in rank this fiscal year.
Dr. June Koelker, Dean of the TCU Library, was elected to chair various library-related organizations for the upcoming 2010-2011 year: Texas Council of Academic Librarians, Fundraising and Financial Development (FRFDS) and Phoenix Council of North Texas Academic Library Deans.

Stephanie Folse, Information Technology Librarian, chaired the Staff Assembly Web Committee as well as co-chaired the library’s web committee along with Tracy Hull, Associate Dean, that designed and implemented the new TCU Library website that rolled out January 2010.

Walter Betts, Systems Analyst, presented Twitter in Libraries to North Texas Regional Library System; chaired TALL Texans Round Table; served on TLA District Task Force Committee; received the TLA/TTRT Standing TALL Award; served on board of Texas Library PAC; and was the Local Arrangements Chair along with James Lutz, Director of Administrative Services, for the Ex Libris Users Group of North America (ELUNA) Annual Conference in Fort Worth, May 2010.

Jeff Bond, Library Liaison, was selected to be one of the American Library Association (ALA) Emerging Leaders for 2010 and led 23 Things workshop for the North Texas Regional Library System (NTRLS).


Mike Strom, Senior Archivist, led a workshop on More Product, Less Process, dispensing archival techniques sponsored by the Archivist of the Houston area.

Collections
New books: 15,683
Journals: 69,078

Electronic Resources
E-Books purchase costs: $6,827
E-Resources usage: 442,429

Services
Laptop check-outs: 55,138
Interlibrary loans received: 6,973
Interlibrary loans sent to other libraries: 8,017
Blogs for academic disciplines and library news: 8

Library Instruction
Number of library instruction sessions: 141
Number of students attending: 2,930
Researchers using Special Collections material: 324
Total hours open (per week, regular session): 147
Turnstile Visitor Count: 86% (based on 12,000 students and faculty)
Middle of Night Visits (1 a.m. to 7 a.m.): 2,000

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