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EGAN LIBRARY**

CONVOCATION 2017 NEWSLETTER

Library Liaisons + New Library Faculty

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Megan Watson, Information Literacy Librarian | Megan came to Juneau in December 2016 by way of Seattle, where she most recently served as Education Librarian at the University of Washington Bothell and Cascadia College. Her professional interests include critical librarianship, Open Access and scholarly communication, and the scholarship of teaching and learning. She's worked in academic libraries of all shapes and sizes for approximately 15 years, though for many of those early years, it served as a day job while she pursued a classical music career.

David Cox, Technical Services Librarian | David has been at UAS since November 2013, serving the library as the Serials and Electronic Resource assistant. He moved to Juneau in 2008 from Denver, where he grew up and where he received a BA in history from the University of Denver. He received his MSLIS at distance from Syracuse University. His professional interests include information architecture, social media, repositories and digital libraries, and the ever-changing world of publishing and copyright.

Save the Date - Library Open House | Tuesday, September 12th

We hope you'll encourage your students to attend or at least list the date in your syllabus. This annual event provides small doses of research and academic success survival skills in a fun, gamified atmosphere. We can provide proof of participation if you'd like to require attendance. Details for an additional e-Learner Open House will be announced soon.

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"They are my inner strength" Creating an Indigenous Knowledge Center

In March 2017 Egan Library Director Elise Tomlinson and library faculty Jonas Lamb collaborated with Lance Twitchell, Alaska Native Languages and Studies faculty, to author a proposal for a Department of Education "Strengthening Institutions Program" grant. The project would, (1) Create an Indigenous Knowledge Center within Egan Library that is a safe indigenous space to centralize and promote the quality and value of Alaska Native/Indigenous knowledge, facilitate healing, and increase the self-esteem and academic success of American Indian & Alaska Native students. (2) Develop an Elders and Indigenous Scholars in Residence program. (3) Enhance access and delivery of hybrid courses in AK Native Languages to preserve the continuity of endangered indigenous languages. The Department of Education will announce funded projects soon. Conceptual drawings and other project documents are available at uas.alaska.edu/library/sip

Information Literacy Instruction

We provide information literacy instruction through several different modes; much of our instruction is course-integrated and taught as part of class visit (in-person or online). To schedule a class visit, please contact the Librarian Liaison for your School at least two weeks in advance.

Course Reserves

If you'd like to put course materials on reserve at the library additional information is available [online](#). We've recently simplified the process so should be able to turn around your requests quicker than in the past. Please wait until you've received confirmation that materials are ready to go before notifying your students.

ALT-Textbook Project / eBooks for the Classroom

Ask us to look up your required or supplementary texts to see if there is an unlimited use ebook the library can purchase and potentially save your students \$\$! Interested in replacing a commercial textbook with OER? Contact Jonas Lamb.

One Campus, One Book 2017

If you haven't already, please visit the [OCOB website](#) to learn more about the common reading selection *Station Eleven* by Emily St. John Mandel and the Faculty Resources available for using this book in your class. This year UAS has partnered with the Juneau Public Libraries to host the NEA Big Read, a program of the NEA in partnership with Arts Midwest. Additional community-wide partners will host Big Read events in Juneau September 15-October 31st.