

Sciences Council Meeting of October 5, 2023

9:00 - 9:50 AM

Zoom

Attendees: Anita B., Becky M. (Recorder), Christina B., Michael S. (Chair), Misha C., Sam T.

Guest: Gisele T.

1. Special Guest: Gisèle Tanasse from the Media Resource Center:

- MRC has been reducing reliance on physical media over the years and moving to streaming. Only about 12 regular users are still reliant on DVD collection, and DVD players are being removed from classrooms. For these reasons, the MRC transitioned to an appointment-open service point.
- Physical media is used in cases where there are rights issues; also where image quality is important, since DVDs can be better; it's possible to set up group viewing of a DVD over Zoom.
- Users can make an appointment to view physical media; usually not a same-day appointment, since it's often necessary to get the item from NRLF. A lot of times, people request a DVD not realizing that there is a streaming option.
- The MRC has a LibAnswers queue and FAQs. It's best for any media inquiries to go through their group email (avmccirc@library.berkeley.edu) into LibAnswers so that Gisele and Jen Carter can collaborate on answers.
- Instructors often ask about using content from a platform like Netflix or Hulu. Sometimes the content can be tracked down elsewhere, so it is worth asking avmccirc (also see [this FAQ](#)).
- There is a [streaming video libguide](#) with links to the different platforms, including:
 - Kanopy - films already captioned; if it's a film not yet licensed for UCB, can click request form;
 - Swank is new and has popular movies;
 - AVON (Academic Video Online) - has BBC Landmark collection (David Attenborough)
 - Docuseek - strong in environmental titles;

- There is some overlap for titles between packages; video quality on Kanopy is better, so sometimes intentionally duplicate if only have on AVON. Kanopy has a good app.

2. Announcements

- a. The call for Spring e-reserves went out recently. Liaisons should please share it with their departments if they haven't already.

3. Function Council and Committee reports and/or sharing of work related to DEIBJ

- a. Reports were heard from CMC, PSC, AAEG.
- b. DEIBJ - EarthArXiv - currently drafting a name change policy; SLA's PAM is also talking about name change policies, there was a recent webinar: "PAM Partners Panel - Author Name Change Policies"

- 4. New member:** We welcomed Christina Bodnar-Anderson, from the Pacific Earthquake Engineering Research Center Library, to her first Sciences Council meeting.

5. Around the table

Next scheduled meeting:

November 2, 2023, 9:00 - 9:50 AM

Zoom