

## Senate Library Committee Report 2008-2009

The Senate Library Committee for 2008-2009 consisted of the following members: Alice Horning, Sarah Maher, Ann Switzer, Barbara Oakley, Laura Pittiglio, Rebecca Gaydos, Vagner Whitehead, Mariela Gunn, Julia Rodriguez, Julie Voelck, Kris Condic, Josh Mahoney (student), and Shannon Flumerfelt (chair).

The Committee met several times during the school year. The Committee worked with Dean Voelck on campus awareness of site improvements and changes for Kresge Library. Kresge Library has identified a central goal for the future as establishing a teaching library for information literacy skills for students. This goal is relevant in the information age and includes teaching faculty how to teach students how to use information ethically and effectively. Substantial work has been completed for this initiative and design plans were explained to the Committee. Last year, 284 information literacy sessions were taught by librarians to 5313 students on campus. A Winter 2009 information literacy course is slated to be taught by the library via online delivery. In addition, plans are in place for embedding the library's services into Moodle. Other important projects completed or slated for completion in the near future include the UTS Computer Help Desk move to Kresge Library; eLearning and Instructional Support moving to the fourth floor; and the establishment of an Information Commons including student collaborative spaces, whiteboards, presentation areas, and seating for laptops.

In addition, the Committee planned and delivered the Fourth Annual Authors at Oakland event as a Celebration of the Journal. Ideas for increasing attendance at the event, enhancing the event and its impact on the campus community, as well as potential dates were discussed and implemented. The Authors at Oakland Event featured scholarly journal faculty publications and invited two featured faculty presenters. This year the selected presenters were Beth Kraemer & Shawn Lombardo, *"The Librarian, the Machine, or a Little of Both: A Comparative Study of Three Information Literacy Pedagogies at Oakland University,"* and Natalie Cole, *"Dickens and Gender: Recent Studies, 1992-2007."* The event was well attended and enjoyed.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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