**IFLA Report**

**Michael Huang**, Director of Global Library Initiatives and Health Sciences Librarian of Stony Brook University attended the World Library and Information Congress: 83rd IFLA General Conference and Assembly in Wroclaw, Poland from August 19 through August 25, 2017. The Congress theme was “Libraries, Solidarity, Society,” and over 3,100 delegates from 122 countries attended the Conference, making it a unique experience of professional development and networking.

Michael was appointed in 2015 as a standing committee member on the IFLA’s Health and Biosciences Libraries Section for a four-year term (2015-2019). The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) is the leading international body representing the interests of library and information services and their users. It is the global voice of the library and information profession.

Michael presented a poster session titled “Global Library Initiatives at Stony Brook University.” He actively participated in the two business meetings of the Health and Biosciences Libraries Section as a standing committee member and its open session titled “Achieving a healthy future together.” In addition, he participated in an exploratory meeting to establish a new special interest group – knowledge management in global and disaster health and many other related sessions. He also assisted with staffing the ALA booth during the conference.

I greatly appreciate the generous support by CALA!

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**Guoying (Grace) Liu** poke at the Canada caucus to introduce her sessions in the IFLA WLIC conference. She presented a session titled “Serving the Multicultural Populations on Campus” and led a table discussion on the IFLA section “Library Services to Multicultural Populations”. She also did a poster presentation titled “The Creation of International Journal of Librarianship” to promote the CALA new academic journal. She helped present Dr. Lian Ruan’s report entitled “CALA & IFLA” at the Chinese Speaking Participants on August 19 due to Ruan’s flight delay. In addition to her sessions and various other conference sessions, Guoying visited academic libraries in Wroclaw and joined dinner organized by CALA/ASIST/ALISE/iSchools.

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**Lian Ruan** presented her poster, entitled “Developing Leaders and Innovators in the 21st Century: the Chinese Librarians Scholarly Exchange Program (CLSEP) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA.” She joined the IFLA Information Literacy Section Standing Committee meeting as member (2017–2021). Among various conference sessions, Ruan attended the IFLA Global Vision Discussion, Demonstrating the Contribution of Libraries to the UN 2030 Agenda, and the Associations Meeting. She visited academic libraries in Wroclaw and joined dinner organized by CALA/ASIST/ALISE/iSchools. She worked with CALA members who attended the congress to compile a report. The report was posted on the CALA listserv on September 8, 2017. On the same day, she also sent the report to Ray Pun, to publish it in the CALA Newsletter. With her encouragement and assistance, Director Tze-heng Chiu from Taiwan Medical University Library shared a report of Taiwan delegates in IFLA Congress.
Taiwan delegates attended the IFLA WLIC 2017
Tzu-heng Chiu
(Life member of CALA)
(Director of Taipei Medical University Library)

Professor Hao-Ren Ke, President of Library Association of the Republic of China (Taiwan) headed a 16-person delegation to attend IFLA WLIC 2017 held in the historical Centennial Hall, Wroclaw, Poland from 8/18-8/25. The Taiwan delegates are professors from Graduate Institute of Library and Information Science, Department of Interaction Design, the Graduate Institute of Data Science, and 3 university librarians from different Universities. Directors of National Palace Museum, National Central Library, National Library of Public Information, National Taiwan Library and Taipei Public Library are also in the team. In total, they presented 4 papers and 7 posters during the conference, sharing results of their research and the achievements of Taiwan’s librarianship to 3000 library colleagues from 122 countries all over the world. Also during their trip, the Taiwan delegation had intensive contact with delegates of CALA, not only building a good friendship but also exchanging experiences in administration and development of their own library, resulting in a fruitful trip.
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Photo 4: Taiwan delegation in front of their poster

Photo 5: Taiwan delegation with other speakers and session chair after their paper presentation
Sharon Yang Attended the IFLA Satellite Meeting in Warsaw University

Sharon Yang, 2016-2017 IFLA Grant Recipient

I participated in IFLA Satellite Meeting entitled “Innovation and the User Experience: Evaluating and Implementing Discovery Systems”, jointed sponsored by IFLA Reference and Information Service Section and Information Technology Section. The meeting took place in Warsaw University on 8/16-17/2017. The following include the benefits I received from attending the meeting.

I did a presentation about my research on how web-scaled discovery tools handled location collections and submitted a paper for publication in IFLA Library. This fulfilled requirement from my university as a faculty who must do research and publish.

1. I attended sessions by other presenters for two days and learned a lot about what they were doing in their libraries for library discovery process. Those sessions are very useful for my work. There are things I did not know.

2. I met with 60+ colleagues from many countries and socialized with them. I even saw three Iranian librarians which is a rare chance. We had a great time. Librarians at Warsaw University Library proved to be a great host. I really like them.

3. I visited Warsaw University Library, a very beautiful building with innovative ideas. They have all kinds of shops in the library selling flowers to cosmetics. This is so convenient for students who do not need to go far to buy food and other stuff.

4. I visited Warsaw city during their National Day and saw the military parade.

I appreciate the support by CALA Travel Committee and the IFLA grant. My institution did away with support for faculty conferences as I thought they would do. This would be the last time I will attend IFLA. Certainly I learned a lot from the satellite meeting.

Thank you very much. I am grateful.
Haiying Qian Attended the 2017 Missouri Conference on History at Springfield, Missouri
Haiying Qian , 2016-2017 CALA Travel Grant Recipient

I presented my digital imaging grant project “150 Years of soldier’s dream: Lincoln University history in photographs and documents” at the 2017 Missouri Conference on History at Springfield, Missouri, March 23-24, 2017. The session is well received and many archivists, researchers and history professors attended the session. We had great conversations and shared ideas.

I also attended sessions by other presenters for two days and learned many historical resources available in Missouri and United States. It will help me in providing reference services to patrons in the future.

I visited the main library of Springfield Greene County Library, a very nice building with many cool library services provided. I received a tour of their local history department and their digitization shop and exhibits. They use an old TV box with computer screen behind to show slides. Very cool idea. Their exhibit Star Wars: from Film to Fandom drew biggest crowd. Their weekend genealogy symposium teaches patron tips for digging into their family history from resources available the Springfield Greene County Library. I got many new ideas for genealogy research and library exhibits.

I really appreciate the support from CALA Travel Grant so I can attend this conference and share and network with researchers and colleagues.

Jingjing Wu Attended 2017 Digital for Design Austin in Texas
Jingjing Wu, 2016-2017 CALA Travel Grant Recipient

Early this May, I attended the annual conference, 2017 Digital for Design Austin, Texas from April 2nd through April 5th, 2017. This year, the conference attracted more attendees than ever and extended from half day in 2014 to 2-day-and-a-half. I presented my recent research “Giving to the Library: Developing Donor Friendly Content for Online Fundraising”.

In addition, I attended several sessions on library user experience, usability improvement, website design, and web technologies. I also talked with User Experience librarians, Web Librarians, and web developers from other libraries. All the communication and networking activities are helpful for my career development, and competence development.

I appreciate the support from CALA Travel Grant for the opportunity to attend this conference, share my experience, and learn from other libraries.
Liya Deng
Attended 2017 ALA/CALA Annual Conference in Chicago
Liya Deng, 2016-2017 CALA Travel Grant Recipient

I feel privileged to have been selected as one of the recipients of the 2017 CALA Conference Travel Grant that provided a great source of support for my attendance of the American Library Association Annual Conference in Chicago, IL. The ALA Conference proved to be an invaluable professional development opportunity for me and a chance to get involved in one of the largest national and international library forums.

Several aspects of the Conference were particularly beneficial to me and helped to shape my approach to understanding the critical issues related to the state of academic libraries today, information technology, as well innovations in teaching, learning, and assessing information literacy skills. One of the more enjoyable experiences of the entire ALA Conference involved networking with the colleagues from around the country and learning about their professional practices. I was also very impressed with the diversity and the scope of the Conference Exhibit that featured materials on a wide variety of subjects.

I delivered two presentations at this year’s ALA. First, I delivered a lightning talk as part of the Research Forum organized by the ACRL Education and Behavioral Sciences Section. My talk showcased the preliminary results of a research project I am currently conducting to investigate issues of library support for the faculty in Social Sciences. My project aims to examine the faculty’s library needs and determine potential areas of service improvement. Second, I presented my poster that had been selected for inclusion in the ALA CALA Poster Session. The poster highlighted the findings of my doctoral research on issues of accessibility and equity of access to educational information for special needs populations.

Apart from my personal engagements, I also attended a number of other presentations on a broad spectrum of library-related topics ranging from collection analysis to research data management and user education, development and optimization of library core systems, and the growing internalization of the field. I was particularly glad to participate in the IFLA Global Vision Open Discussion Forum and the CALA Annual Program, from which I was able to glean insights into how a more connected library field can better meet the challenges of the future. The CALA Annual Program brought together library leaders from North America and China. I learned about the unique service and technology solutions adopted by libraries at Valparaiso University, National Taiwan Normal University, Notre Dame, National Science Library of China, and the Chinese University of Hong Kong in Shenzhen, among others. These discussions informed my thinking about possible means to improve the work of libraries in this country in order to make our services more aligned with the needs and expectations of our user communities.

In sum, attending the 2017 ALA Annual Conference was a worthy experience. In my opinion, what makes this organization special is the power it has to promote libraries and library education internationally. CALA is a prime example of how ALA succeeds in fostering the spirit of continued dialogue and collaboration on themes relevant to librarianship, and I looked forward to becoming a part of this community of scholars and practitioners. I am thankful to the CALA Awards Committee for awarding me with the 2017 CALA Conference Travel Grant which facilitated my travel to Chicago. I had a great time at the ALA, built lasting connections, and brought back ideas that will enrich my own professional practice.

Liya Deng
Eastern Washington University Libraries
Jennifer Zhao Attended the 38th IATUL conference in Italy
Jennifer Zhao, 2016-2017 CALA Travel Grant Recipient

With the great support of CALA travel grant, I was able to attend the 38th IATUL conference this June in Italy. I presented my paper entitled “Précis Plus: A Collaborative Approach to Teaching Information Literacy” at the venue and received positive feedback from the audience. I also had opportunities to attend many interesting talks given by other librarians. Some of these talks are as follows:

- Letting Traditional Boundaries Blur: A Case Study in Co-Developing STEM “Excellence” Courses
- Advocacy towards User Responsibility and Lifelong Learning
- Design and Implementation of a Campus-Wide Online Plagiarism Tutorial: Role Played by the Library in an Emerging Research Institution in Saudi Arabia
- Lifting Information Literacy in Ergonomics – A Case Study of Master Degree Projects Presented at the KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden
- Research Data Management – Approaches to Capacity Building by Acting Locally While Thinking Nationally
- The Library as “Student Heaven”: Re-Designing Library Spaces to Enrich the Student Experience
- Google Scholar, Sci-Hub and LibGen: Could they be our New Partners?

These presentations touch base information literacy, research data management, and library spaces which I found to be inspiring. I may adopt some of the ideas to improve my own practices. Once again, I am truly grateful for the travel grant awarded to me this year.
On June 23, I attended a day long workshop, LITA Avram Camp, organized by LITA. During this workshop, I learned about impostor syndrome, what is it, why it occurs and how to overcome it. Besides, an interactive exercise of “Take a Compliment” showcased different types of compliments others used at work. There were nine concurrent sessions and lightning talks in the afternoon; of which, I especially value information from the lightning talks titled “This is what an AUL/Associate Dean looks like.” Speakers provided two pieces of advice for those who are in doubt for whether he/she is ready for taking on administrative roles. First, an individual is ready when he/she cares departmental accomplishments over personal accomplishments. Second, an individual feel bore in his/her job and second guess strategic directions lead by their boss.

On June 24, I found the session “Personalizing Assessment: Making Collections Data Work for You” most beneficial. The session covers basic of visualization and how one library utilized open-source code to implement a dashboard to show collection usage statistics. At the EBSCO Academic Librarian Luncheon, I learned about new products and services offer by EBSCO. As one of the Board of Directors, I attended CALA Board Meeting III. During the meeting, I served as minutes taker and participated in discussion.

On June 25, I attended CALA Annual Conference Program, “Internet + Information Services.” Presenters from different universities highlighted technologies and digital projects at their libraries. I am amazed when one of the libraries mentioned they are trying out to use robot for reference services. As the CALA Annual Conference Program concluded, I presented my poster “Show, and Don’t Tell, via Data Visualization” at the CALA Poster Session. At the CALA Awards Banquet, not only did I enjoy the entertainments, but I also met a few library school students. It is always great to network with soon-to-be librarian and learn what their interests are!

On June 26, I attended “CALA Leadership Talk with Maureen Sullivan.” Maureen is a great speaker and I always enjoy attending sessions she presents or moderates. During the session, different topics, ranging from middle management to cultural characteristics, were discussed. I wish this session would be longer than an hour to allow for additional discussion. Before leaving for the conference, I joined a group of CALA members to visit Dr. Tze-Chung Li. Dr. Li, his wife were very friendly, and Dr. Li shared some of his stories with us.

The CALA Chapter President Travel Grant not only provided me an opportunity to learn from others on a variety of topics related library services and technologies, but also an excellent opportunity to meet and network with Chinese librarians in-person. Thank you CALA for supporting members to further their professional development needs!
Ping Fu Attended 2017 ALA/CALA Annual Conference in Chicago
Ping Fu, 2016-2017 CALA Travel Grant Recipient

I attended 2017 ALA/CALA Annual Conference between June 23 and 26 in Chicago. Here is a summary of my activities:


I attended ALA/LITA/CALA sessions and activities as below:

- Executive Perspectives: A Conversation on the Future of the Library Technology Industry
- CALA board meeting III (2016-2017)
- CALA annual conference program
- CALA poster session
- CALA annual membership meeting
- CALA award banquet
- JCLC Committee meeting
- 2017 CALA leadership academy with Maureen Sullivan, former ALA president
- CALA board meeting I (2017-2018)
- ALA exhibitions

At the annual conference, I received:

- CALA President Recognition Award
- CALA 2017 Travel Grant

Networking: Meet librarians and other professionals from peer institutions.

Enclosed are some photos taken at the conference
Giving Back: Never Ceasing to Promote CALA
Sai Deng, 2016-2017 CALA Chapter President Travel Grant Recipient

With CALA’s generous support, I was able to attend the 2017 ALA Annual conference in Chicago as a recipient of the 2016-2017 CALA Chapter President Travel Grant.

During the conference, I coordinated or participated in several metadata and digital repository related programs. I programmed and presided the ALA ALCTS CaMMS Cataloging Norms Interest Group’s annual program as one of its Co-Chairs. The session was held in the McCormick Convention Center on June 24. Its theme was "The Changing Metadata Arena and Its Practitioners" (http://connect.al.org/node/65775). It included six speakers who brought a variety of talks addressing authority control, identity management, vocabularies and linked data, and the changing role and practices of cataloging and metadata librarians. The program was very well received and attended by 170-180 people. I also prepared handouts for and coordinated a discussion on linked data and BIBFRAME at the ALCTS Technical Services Managers in Academic Libraries Interest Group Meeting. In addition, I attended a variety of sessions related to my profession as a Metadata Librarian.

I promoted CALA, its various initiatives, outreach efforts, publications and social media channels in the 2017 ALA Diversity Fair and the CALA Annual program. At the ALA Diversity Fair, I presented the poster "Chinese American Librarians Association: Embracing Diversity and Outreaching to the Global Community" with Ying Zhang and Yiping Wang (see left photo). At the CALA/ALA Annual Conference and Poster Session, together with the Social Media Group members Melody Leung and Anlin Yang, I presented the poster "Working to Improve the CALA’s Social Media Survey" (see right photo). I was also acknowledged in the poster "CALASYS: CALA Academic Resource & Repository System" presented by four 2017 ALA Emerging Leaders at the Annual Conference. I provided guidance and help to their work for the CALA’s IR, CALASYS (http://ir.cala-web.org) on many issues such as data collection, metadata, interface and system functionality.
I joined the CALA board discussions representing the Southeast Chapter (see left photo) and got to communicate with CALA and also chapter officers such as the then incoming Chapter President Yue Li. Through various conference programs, I was able to network with CALA members and other ALA participants. At the CALA Banquet, I received two CALA President Recognition Awards on behalf of two different CALA groups: the CALA Newsletter Team and the CALA Social Media Group.

I was fortunate to have served as the Co-Editor of the *CALA Newsletter* from 2009 to mid-2017 and the admin of the CALA Social Media Group. During and after the conference, I posted news and event photos of the CALA’s annual program, poster session, award banquet and other activities of many CALA members to the CALA Members & Friends Facebook private group and the CALA's Facebook public page [https://www.facebook.com/CALA-Chinese-American-Librarians-Association-281336511932864/](https://www.facebook.com/CALA-Chinese-American-Librarians-Association-281336511932864/)
I also posted presentation files to the CALASYS (http://www.ir.cala-web.org/). The CALASYS team will continue to get in touch with presenters and request their files to be deposited in the system.

I had a busy schedule and a very positive experience at the 2017 ALA Annual. Thank you CALA for being such a supportive organization and family to the many Chinese American librarians!