LIBRARIES RESEARCH FUND APPLICATION FORM

The University of Kansas Libraries Administration allocates money each year for the purpose of furthering the research activities of all library faculty and unclassified professional staff for whom research is a part of their professional assignment. These funds are to be used for conducting research, to supplement other sources of research funding, and to assist librarians who have research opportunities that may result in out of pocket expenses.

Funds generally are awarded throughout the year as requests are submitted to the Committee on Research and Scholarly Activities. Requests should be detailed enough to communicate your needs clearly to the Committee. Supportive documentation can be attached to this form if it is highly relevant to the request. For international travel requests it is recommended that outside funding through the Office of International Programs be procured before or in parallel with an LRF application.

Please respond to the following questions. When finished, return the request to the current CRSA chair. If funding for the project is approved, a brief project description will be posted on the CRSA web page. LRF recipients will also be required to give a brief presentation about their project at a CRSA sponsored forum.

Name: Jon C. Giullian

Department: Libraries, International & Area Studies

1. Title or brief description of project:

“Pathway to Peace and Prosperity: a New Model and Partnership for Teaching Interdisciplinary Research Methods in French, German, and Slavic Languages and Literatures.”

2. Describe the research project (e.g. article abstract, proposal):

Because of small numbers of new graduate students in French, German, and Slavic language and literature departments at the University of Kansas, graduate research methods courses in these L&L departments were taught every two years. Unfortunately, this situation puts some graduate students at a disadvantage, beginning their first year of graduate study without the formal introductory methods course. Students who enroll in the off-year, when the methods course is not taught, can and do feel disadvantaged, and this dilemma can impact their graduate experience. For students this model is not an ideal way to begin one’s graduate study. For departments this model is bad for business, especially when programs struggle to remain relevant in a time of dwindling support for small L&L programs. In an effort to address the aforementioned dilemma, faculty and subject librarians in three disciplines
(French, German, and Slavic) worked together to create a combined methods course for new graduate students that is offered every year.

In November of 2014 I will attend the national convention for the Association of Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES) in order to discuss this new interdepartmental model for teaching research methods which integrates a deep level of information literacy principles into the course. The title of the Roundtable is: "New Models and Partnerships for Teaching Interdisciplinary Research Methods: Librarians’ Tales from the Field". In my remarks at the round table I will describe how the course was conceived and how it evolved, focusing specifically on the librarians’ roles in the course. I will also summarize student feedback, lessons learned during the first iteration of this instructional experiment, and adjustments that we have made during the second round of this discussion, including how I have experimented with table devices (iPad) during information literacy sessions.

The research aspect of this project is that we will be describing new and innovative professional practices that we hope will serve as a case-study for best practices in area studies information literacy.

3. Describe the purpose and final outcome of project (i.e. article, book, poster session, conference, etc.). If applicable, note the location where final project will be presented:

This project has two outcomes:
1. Conference presentation at the 2014 ASEEES national convention (see above more more details)
2. Journal Article: members of the roundtable will write-up their comments and submit for publication as a column piece to Slavic and East European Information Resources (SEEIR), the top peer-reviewed journal for SEE librarianship. I anticipate that I will work with one other colleague to compile all of the individual pieces into one article, providing background and context as needed.

4. Estimated time line for completion of project:

a. 2014 November 22 (Saturday), 8:00-9:45 – ASEEES Roundtable: "New Models and Partnerships for Teaching Interdisciplinary Research Methods: Librarians’ Tales from the Field."

b. April 17, 2015 (anticipated deadline for submission of column pieces to SEEIR for vol. 16, no. 2/3); or July 17, 2015 (deadline for submission of column pieces to SEEIR for vol. 16, no. 4)
5. Provide an itemized estimation of expenses or evidence of actual accrued expenses, including any other sources of funding you have applied for or received for this project. Also, indicate the amount of LRF support that you are seeking and how the funds will be used. (The award must be completely spent by June 1 of the fiscal year in which it was awarded):

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<td>Faculty Professional Development Funds.</td>
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<td>CRSA – LRF (I am requesting funds from CRSA for the ASEEES conference, because I will be presenting on my research into the professional practice of information literacy instruction; and because I need to save the majority of my professiona development funds for the ALA annual conference in June/July, which involves committee service.)</td>
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<td>Estimated cost of airfare (although I will be driving a private vehicle, I will be reimbursed based on the cost of a roundtrip flight. This is a very good deal on a flight.)</td>
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<td>4 nights Lodging at a discount hotel, sharing room with colleague</td>
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**Amount Requested from LRF:** $600

6. If any part of your project is dependent on a contractual or other financial arrangement with a third party, please provide a copy of the written agreement outlining the services to be provided and the estimated cost.

**Signature & Date:** Jon C. Giulian

Please do not fill out this portion of the form. This portion must be completed by the Committee for Research & Scholarly Activities.

Decision of Committee on Research and Scholarly Activities:
Funded: Yes ☒ No
If yes, amount funded $600
If no, reason for decision

Signature of CRSA Representative: [Signature]

Date: 10/7/14