



## A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

I invite you to take a look at some of the highlights from the University Libraries' 2022/23 fiscal year. You can see snippets of what we do and how much we do. With a combination of state support, donor generosity and through grants awarded to faculty and staff, we have accomplished a great deal. We implemented RAPID ILL, a service that delivers digital journal articles and book chapters to our users within 24 hours. Our Library of Things provides necessities such as calculators, cooking utensils and games to students.

Moving forward, we anticipate increases in services as well as enhanced collections in support of the teaching and research missions at our top-tier university.

**Dr. Brian Doherty**  
Dean of University Libraries

*Become a friend of the library today.* Edith Garland Dupré Library is a vibrant information center of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Giving to the library enriches the focus on learning and research while providing resources to the community.

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The mission of Edith Garland Dupré Library is to support fully the instructional and research programs of the University by providing access to information through the teaching, acquisition, organization, and preservation of information resources in all formats to the University's academic community, the region and the state.

*We're committed to research for a reason.*

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## EDITH GARLAND DUPRÉ LIBRARY

Annual Report Summary | FY 2022/2023





## BY THE NUMBERS

### TOTAL EXPENDITURES

↓ **13%**

FROM FISCAL YEAR  
2021/2022

### ITEM USAGE

↑ **56%**

ACROSS ALL  
CIRCULATION SERVICES

**GRANTS RECEIVED: \$36,481**

#### Reference & Research

Provides research assistance and instruction to support the University's academic and research programs.

Reference transactions ↑ **24%**  
**4,394** reference transactions  
**390** research appointments

#### Instruction

Provides library tours and research instruction across all course levels and disciplines.

**32** embedded classes  
**243** classes & tours  
**6,246** students reached

#### Library Materials

Provides access to online journals and other print serials, books, research databases and memberships to research services.

**\$1,947,379** total cost for materials  
**855** journal subscriptions  
**214** online databases  
**20** memberships

#### Interlibrary Loan

Provides access to items not held in Dupré Library collections.

Borrowing ↑ **12%**  
Lending ↑ **11%**  
**4,660** titles borrowed  
**2,330** titles lent

**TOTAL VISITORS: 558,427**

#### Archives & Research Centers

- University Archives & Acadiana Manuscripts Collection
- Louisiana Room
- Rare Book Collection
- Cajun & Creole Music Collection
- Ernest J. Gaines Center
- U.S. Government Information
- Digital Archives
- UL Lafayette Institutional Repository

#### This year, Special Collections:

- Added **1,595** items to archives and Louisiana Room.
- Celebrated the **20th anniversary** of the Cajun & Creole Music Collection.
- Began fulfilling a **\$101,000 grant** from the Guilbeau Foundation to develop the Map to Black Studies Collection, housed in the Gaines Center.
- Added **1,060** new physical items to U.S. Government Information.
- Digitized **22,749** items.



## WE HAVE A GIFT FOR BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER

#### OUTREACH

We reached over 1,800 prospective students and their family members at events. We hosted 17 events with over 900 participants.

#### STUDY SPACES

Our individual and group study rooms were checked out 8,700 times That's a 58% increase from last year.

#### EXHIBITS

We hosted 13 exhibits in our Grand Hall, including "Americans and the Holocaust," a traveling exhibition organized by the American Library Association and the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

#### EMPLOYMENT

We provided employment to over 40 students and awarded over \$117,000 of federal work study, scholarship and grant funds, including three graduate assistantships.

## NEW SERVICES

The faculty and staff at Edith Garland Dupré Library are always innovating. This year, we introduced several major services that expand access to educational and research materials and much more.

**Rapid ILL** offers free access to journal articles and book chapters with 24-hour turnaround times.

**Institutional Repository** hosts and provides open access to UL Lafayette student and faculty research.

**Map to Black Studies Collection** includes over 600 titles in support of UL Lafayette's Black Studies minor.

**Library of Things** provides students free access to all manner of items: design supplies, board games and baking pans, and it continues to grow!

**535,346 TITLES**  
IN GENERAL COLLECTION

**OVER 645,000**  
GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS



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1940 football game at Southwestern Louisiana Institute