A DEI Cataloging Audit of a Bibliography

ALA Core Cataloging and Classification Research Interest Group
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- Private University
- 5500 undergraduate students
- 1700 graduate students
- Library catalog - 1.6 million records
DEI Initiatives at Lehigh University

- Diversity, Inclusion & Equity Plan 2021 - 2026
  <https://www2.lehigh.edu/diversity-inclusion-equity/plan>

- December 2021: Technical Service DEI Working Group began meeting bimonthly
Lehigh University Technical Services
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Sharon Wiles-Young, Director of Library Access Services
“We are thinking about how to provide better access and to provide more discovery for collections that have been underrepresented or need more exposure in library catalogs. We are asking questions such as: what research and scholarship is missing in our collections and how can we better highlight underrepresented authors/voices in our catalogs?”

Email excerpt from Sharon Wiles-Young to Lehigh Professors teaching course related to DEI during the Spring 2022 semester
Dr. Floyd D. Beachum

- Bennett Professor of Urban School Leadership at Lehigh University’s College of Education

- Course Name: “Diversity and Multicultural Perspective”

- [Bibliography](#)
## Summary Data for Books (print, electronic & audio)

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**Initial Bibliography**
Initial Questions

- What titles on his list do we not have in our collection?
- Are there summary notes present?
- How complete are the table of contents notes for the books?
- Are there subject headings we want to change, add to, or delete?
- How many uses do the print book and ebooks have and will that change when we make changes to the metadata?
- What authors, including chapter authors are not represented in our collection?
Question 1

What titles on this list are not in our collection?
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Question 2:

Are there summary notes present in these 60 MARC records?
520 - Summary Field

Start: 32/60 MARC records had 520 fields

Batch work from OCLC

After: 51/60 MARC records have 520 fields
Question 3:

Are there formatted contents notes present in these 60 MARC records?
505 – Formatted Contents Notes

Start:
- 40/60 MARC records had 505 fields
- 9/40 were enhanced
- Out of the 12 edited works, 0 had 505 fields

Batch work from OCLC

After:
- 56/60 MARC records have 505 fields
- 16/56 are enhanced
- Out of the 12 edited works, all have 505, only 7 are enhanced
Filling in the Table of Contents Notes Gaps

MatchMARC

MatchMARC is a Google Apps Script published as a Google Sheets Addon. It is a tool that automates MARC record searches. It uses OCLC’s WorldCat Search API. You can...

By: msuranofsky
Listing updated: May 14, 2022
Question 3

Are there subject headings we want to change, add to, or delete?
Subject Headings Reports
Subject Headings – Further investigation

- Meet with Dr. Beachum to discuss subject headings.
- Explore other outreach avenues at Lehigh
- Continuous education
Branching out Beyond 60 MARC Records

1. Identify records for more works held by the library concerning systemic racism in the education system of the United States.

2. Once the body of work has been identified, use OCLC to enhance 520, 505. Try MatchMARC

3. Keep list of underutilized headings to add to cataloging habits.

4. Check circulation statistics at the end of this semester

5. Write a report of all authors, from 100 fields, to 700 to 505$r. Query our DB to see if gaps can be identified. This is dependent on good TOC notes - step 2 above.
List of most used Subject Headings

- Educational equalization$z$United States
- Multicultural education$z$United States
- African Americans$xEducation
- Academic achievement$z$United States
- Educational leadership
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