CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Project
Team Member Report¹
Seminar Location: Shanxi University, Taiyuan, China
Seminar Dates: From: 5/24/10 to 5/26/10

Your name: Ya Wang

Your topics:
This presentation reviewed the current issues of electronic collections management and access in US Academic Libraries. The current status and trends of electronic resource management (ERM) systems, openURL Linking servers, federated search engines, e-book models, and digital preservation methods were discussed.

Technology Trends: Next Generation Library Discovery Interfaces and Mobile Applications in US Libraries
This session explored some technology trends. It highlighted case studies of next generation library discovery interfaces and mobile applications in US libraries.

Your evaluation of the seminar you have participated:
This seminar is a successful collaboration between CALA and Shanxi University. As the first time presenter, I was pleased to see all presentations were well attended and well accepted by the participants. CALA and local committee had put tremendous efforts to this event. Our speakers covered a wide range of topics that generated discussions after the sessions and during the QA panel. I believe all participants including myself benefited greatly from this seminar.

Your suggestions:
Because libraries in China and US are quite different, I hope the hosting institution can invite experts from China to cover some topics. A comparison study of East and West practices will be great. It seems to me that round tables of different interests will help further discussion and understanding among speakers and participants.

In the future, I also would like to see a keynote speaker to give an abroad overview of the current state of librarianship and libraries in China.

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