

Committee Annual Report to Library Council Dalhousie University Libraries

Period Covered: July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

Committee: Libraries Internship/Practicum Coordinating Committee (LIPCC)

Chair: Sarah Jane Dooley (Sexton)

Membership: Jen Adams (on sabbatical leave), Gwendolyn MacNairn (Killam), Erin MacPherson

(MacRae), Shelley McKibbon (Kellogg), Michael Moosberger (Archives/GIS)

Summary for 2013-2014

Summer Shine Series

The Summer Shine Series was held on September, 16th 2013 from 2-4pm in the Jacob Slonim Room at Computer Science. Despite our technical difficulties the event was well-organized, and very well-attended (approximately 50 in attendance-including presenters).

Planning for this year's Summer Shine Series 2014 will continue through to the event on August 13th, 2014.

Dalhousie Practicum Applications for Supervisors

In collaboration with JoAnn Watson at the School of Information Management (SIM) the Committee devised a standardized form for Dalhousie Libraries practicum supervisors to complete if they are interested in taking on a practicum student. This year, we had three applications for 100-hr. practicum students, all of which were placed.

Intern Training Day 2014

This was our second annual Intern Training Day. A number of librarians and staff members from across the system provided presentations to thirteen interns (1 Law student, 3 NSCC students, and 9 SIM students). Sessions included a description of the Libraries' mission and vision, brief overviews of each library, copyright, Library IT/Systems, Novanet/WorldCat and an introduction to the workings of RefWorks and LibGuides, and an ice-breaker activity. The group finished the day with a social at the University Club Pub. This year we administered a feedback survey electronically, and the students' feedback was very positive overall.

Library Tours for Interns

We implemented a new program for our summer interns that includes organized tours of each of the five libraries, Archives and GIS. Tours began in June, and will continue through July (tour of Library organized on the same day as the Agricultural Campus Community Open House). Next year we would like to organize all of the Halifax tours on the same day.