


Field Librarianship in den USA

Bestandsaufnahme
und
Zukunftsperspektiven



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subject librarians

- Bestandsaufbau
- Liaison zwischen Bibliothek und den Fächern
- Dienst an der Infotheke
- Benutzerschulung
- Webinhalte, Projektbetreuung, Personalführung
usw.

field librarians

- viele Bezeichnungen: field librarians, embedded librarians, college librarians, outreach librarians, satellite librarians, outpost librarians, usw.
- Präsenz außerhalb der Bibliothek



field librarians

- Univ. of Michigan - drei field librarians - klassische Philologie, women's studies, art & design
- Michigan - mehr als 30 subject librarians
- Virginia Tech - subject librarians heißen college librarians
- VT - weniger in den Fakultäten als vor zehn Jahren „[not] productive to spend time in their college“

field librarians

- Murray State University (Anne Blatnik)
- „I became one of them“
- „From the discipline college's point of view, it is a sure thing. Very little of their budget is expended and they get good service as a result“



embedded librarians

- virtuell
- Course Management System (CMS) - Moodle, Blackboard, Sakai, usw.
- Assistent für den Dozent



Hochschulwesen der USA

- faculty status für Bibliothekare - Vor- und Nachteile
- keine wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiter in den Geistes- und Sozialwissenschaften
- graduate students erfüllen diese Aufgaben nur begrenzt
- Bibliothekar als Ersatz für WiMi - research assistance, computer consulting, general assistance

Hochschulwesen der USA

- teaching assistants - graduate students mit Lehraufträgen
- Bibliothekare übernehmen die Arbeit der fehlenden teaching assistants
- auf keinen Fall rentabel



Zukunftsperspektiven

- Hauptproblem: Skalierbarkeit
- Arbeitsaufwand: „high tech, high touch“ hat seine Kosten



Zukunftsperspektiven

- „... as roles are added, not only is a potentially unrealistic standard for versatility and breadth of talent and knowledge among the college librarians set, but training burdens and complicated relations ... are added“



Zukunftsperspektiven

- „Interacting directly with students in an online course can be time-consuming work, and librarians who offer the service are usually adding it to a full plate of other duties“



Zukunftsperspektiven

- „Regardless of the number of librarians offering the embedded librarian service, few online courses are being reached by directly embedded librarians ... no more than 10% of online courses at most institutions“



Zukunftsperspektiven

- Taiga Forum - Gruppe von stellvertretenden BibliotheksdirektorInnen
- Taiga Forum provocative statement: „Within the next 5 years...libraries will have given up on the "outreach librarian" model after faculty persistently show no interest in it“



Zukunftsperspektiven

- Rudin: „It is a difficult realization for librarians, proud members as they are of a helping profession, that their guidance is not universally appreciated, their presence throughout the campus not necessarily welcome“

Zukunftsperspektiven

- Beau Case, Univ. of Michigan: „While there have been no additional Field Librarians, there have been many other outreach librarian positions created ... We have also added libraries und library service points across campus and across the state ... There has also been a lot of discussion by library managers about promoting campus outreach, or about redesigning public services“

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