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Managing Today's e-Library

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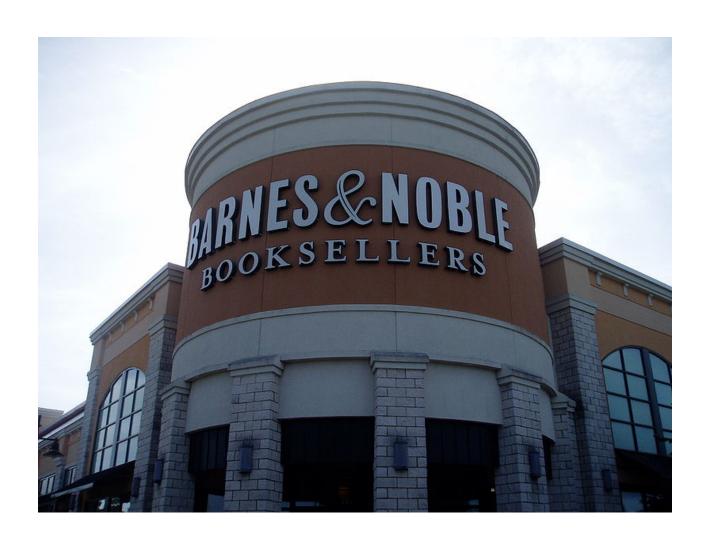
Once upon a time there was



Now there is



Once upon a time there was



Now there is



Once upon a time we had a brick and mortar library



Now we have an e-Library



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Tuesday Workshops, Tours at S&E Monday Workshops, Tours at S&E Knovel University Challenge Changes to Roger REQUEST Welcome Week Tours & Workshops

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1 2 3 4 ABOUT THE LIBRARY

The Science & Engineering Library (S&E) provides technologically advanced, user-focused services to support UC San Diego's dynamic engineering and physical sciences programs.

Read more...

We have moved online

Collections



Services

Self Help
 Interlibrary loan, renew materials, catalog
 Chat, Text, Email, IM
 Podcast, Camtasia, iTuneU
 Online guides (LibGuides)

Outreach

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The web has fundamentally changed the way library conducts its business.

Today's e-Library

- Library's online presence
- Library's collections and services delivered online
- Paralleled to the brick-and-mortar library
- Many components:
 - Library's website
 - Library's mobile site
 - Library's Twitter
 - Library's Facebook
 - Library's blog
 - LibGuides
 - e-Services
 - And more

e-Library Management Roles and Functions

- Information architecture
- Interface design
- Usability study
- Content life cycle management
- Metrics
- Search engine optimization
- Managing e-Services
- Exploration and implementation of new technologies
- IT: Programming, database & sever administration

Website Management

Building

- Information architecture
- Interface design
- Usability study
- IT

Managing

- Content life cycle management
- Metrics
- Search engine optimization
- New technologies
- Usability study
- IT

Content

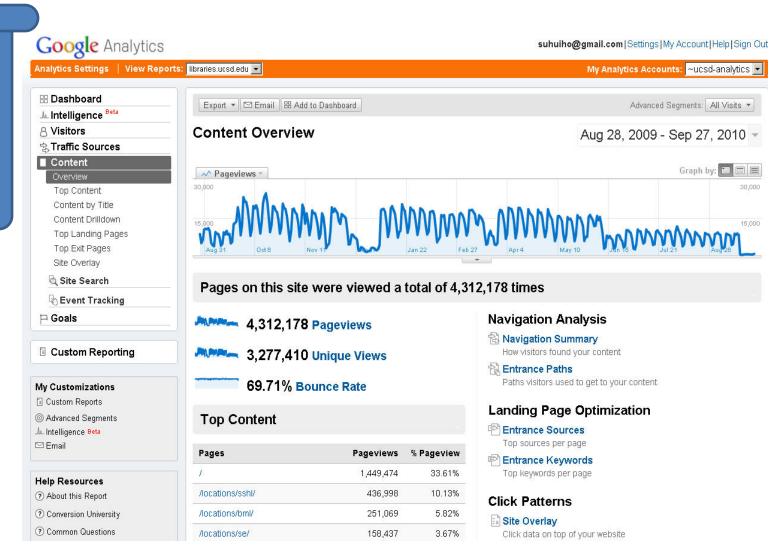
- Librarians become authors
- Locally-authored digital content
 - Web pages
 - Mobile site pages
 - Blogs
 - Online instruction
 - Videos
 - Listing services (databases A-Z)
 - Content in social media

Content Life Cycle Management

- Strategize audience, voice, relevancy, accuracy
- Create writing for the web
- Review
- Update
- Delete
- Archive

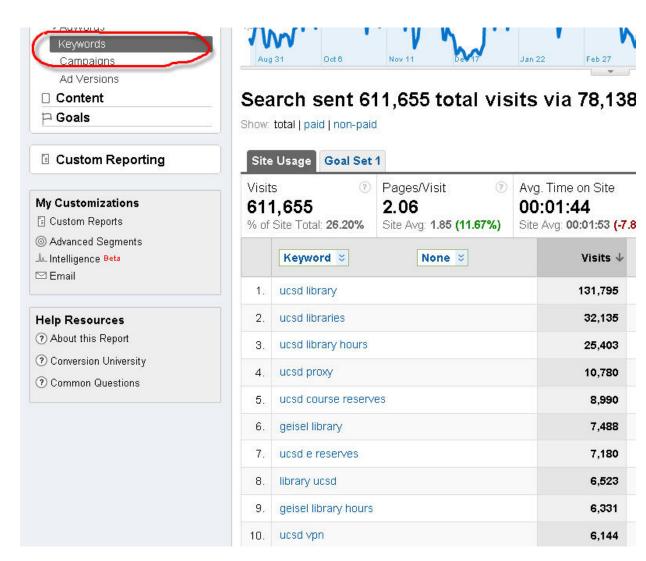
Website Metrics

Goal:
Understand
user
behaviors in
your website



Search Engine Optimization

Goal:
Top
ranking in
Google
search



New Spaces, New Challenges, New Opportunities

Brick & Mortar Library	e-Library
Circulation - get the resources	Access the resources - navigation to e- books, e-journals e-problem trouble-shooting Remote access
Reference – reference desk	e-Reference: chat, email, IM, text
Instruction – classes in the library	Context-sensitive guides, tutorials, podcasts, LibGuides
Outreach – exhibits in the library	Video, multimedia, slideshows, Facebook, Flickr, Tweeter, Youtube
Collection	Buying e-content, e-resources statistics, Subject portals

New Roles and Functions

Brick & Mortar Library	e-Library
Gate counts	Website metrics, e-resources statistics, catalog search statistics, e-resources statistics, online instruction statistics
Space planning	Information architecture Usability study Web design
	Content life cycle management
	Search engine optimization
IT: desktop support	IT: web programming, database & server administration
Goal: help people find information	Goal: help people find information

It takes a village to build, staff, and manage an e-Library.

Staffing Model?

"The greatest impact of the Internet is likely to come over the next decade as it starts to reshape the traditional management processes and structures that are used to run large-scale institutions."

Gary Hamel, "REINVENTING MANAGEMENT FOR A NETWORKED WORLD "Educause, Oct. 13, 2010

Web Strategy

- Develop a Web strategy aligned with the library's overall business strategy.
- Consider the e-Library to be an equally important, if not more important, part of the library.
- Budget and staff for this space
- Physically smaller?

7 Habits of a Successful e-Library

- Has an e-Library strategy that is aligned with the library's overall business strategy.
- 2. Professionally managed from the most senior level down and **staffed** by not only web staff but also most public services staff.
- 3. Has a website content life cycle management plan.
- 4. Adheres to information architecture, user experience and web design principles.
- 5. Attention to **metrics** and usage pattern analysis.
- 6. Attention to **search engine optimization**.
- 7. e-Services actively managed.



Bankruptcy



Can libraries meet the challenges of the networked world?

- Yes, we can! By
 - recognizing that we have to be effective in this new space
 - recognizing the new roles and skills required to run this new space
 - actively aligning our strategies and resources to the new space.