Annual Report of the Jerome Hall Law Library, 2021/22

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Mission
An integral part of the Maurer School of Law, the Jerome Hall Law Library pursues excellence in legal education, scholarship, and community. We continuously strive to:

- Deliver outstanding research instruction;
- Provide rigorous support for faculty and student research;
- Curate robust collections and preserve the law school’s history;
- Create a welcoming, inclusive, and productive environment for the entire Maurer Law community;
- Achieve excellence in librarianship through the dedication and productivity of the Law Library faculty and staff.

Supporting Students
As indicated in the Jerome Hall Law Library (JHLL) Mission Statement, we strive to support students through outstanding instruction both in and out of the classroom, assistance with their research, and an environment conducive to both learning and well-being.

### Instruction & Research

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<th>205 students in Advanced Legal Research classes</th>
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<td>• 110 in 2-credit survey ALR sections</td>
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<td>• 25 in 1-credit IP</td>
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<td>• 24 in 1-credit Foreign &amp; International</td>
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<td>• 23 in 1-credit Federal Leg/Reg</td>
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<th>398 “reference” interactions</th>
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<td>• 135 at the Reference Desk</td>
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<td>• 107 via online chat</td>
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<td>• 147 via Ask-a-Librarian online form</td>
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<th>80 hours on research in response to student requests</th>
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<th>42 in-class guest lectures to over 550 students</th>
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<td>• 24 lectures in LRW</td>
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<td>• 15 lectures in law school and other classes</td>
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<th>12 prepare-to-practice research trainings for summer jobs</th>
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| 34 library tours for nearly 540 participants           |

### Environment

**Welcome Week**
- 3 days of snacks, coffee, trivia, and library swag
- Countless students

**Crafternoons**
- Monthly hour-long crafting gatherings
- Library supplies adult coloring supplies, origami supplies, etc.

**Exam Stress Relief**
- Games and puzzles
- Coffee and snacks once a week

**Field Trips**
- Lilly Rare Book & Manuscript Library: 14 students with 9 on the waitlist
**Supporting Faculty**

Another key element of the JHLL Mission is to support faculty in their research. This includes not only undertaking research projects but also partnering with faculty in communicating their successes, enable open digital access to Maurer faculty scholarship whenever possible, and preserving Maurer’s scholarly record for posterity.

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<th>Research</th>
<th>Related Services</th>
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<td>26 projects were completed through Law Library’s Research Assistant Program, a considerable increase over 14 in 2020-21 and 17 in 2019-20.</td>
<td>34 documents were uploaded to SSRN. Those 34 documents have 2,906 downloads to date.</td>
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<td>16 faculty members used the Library RAs, 3 used them multiple times.</td>
<td>45 faculty members now have ORCID numbers and profiles.</td>
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<td>455 hours of research were conducted by Library Research Assistants.</td>
<td>22 faculty members now have Google Scholar profiles.</td>
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<td>Librarians did more than 70 hours of research in response to faculty requests.</td>
<td>66 interlibrary loan and 155 scanning requests were filled for faculty.</td>
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**Collection & Circulation**

We continue to curate the JHLL’s robust collections by purchasing new materials, removing unnecessary and outdated materials, and shifting rarely-used-but-still-important materials to off-site storage. The usefulness of the collections is evidenced in our circulation metrics.

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<th>Additions &amp; Removals</th>
<th>Circulation of Materials</th>
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<td>• 3,337 new print titles and 38,632 new electronic titles were added for a total of 783,802 titles in the library’s collections.</td>
<td>• 11,062 items were checked out from the JHLL, more than double the preceding year and higher than prior, pre-COVID years.</td>
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<td>• 1,620 items were borrowed from other IU libraries, and the JHLL lent 675 to IU libraries.</td>
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<td>• 276 interlibrary loan items were borrowed from other institutions for faculty and students and the JHLL lent 946 items to other institutions.</td>
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<td>• 326 scan-on-demand requests were filled.</td>
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The JHLL collections include the Digital Repository. The repository was begun to collect and preserve scholarship by Maurer faculty and the school’s law journals but has expanded to include a variety of publications and historical materials. It currently contains nearly 13,000 items. The data shown below indicate the usage and impact of the Digital Repository in FY2021-22.

**Digital Repository**

- **328** items, including **59** articles by Maurer faculty, were uploaded to the digital repository. The remaining **269** items include articles from all the Maurer law journals, graduate student theses and dissertations, and other law school materials.
  - These **328** items have resulted in **12,490** downloads.
  - **57 Indiana Law Journal** articles uploaded in 2021-22 have resulted in **6,552** downloads.
- **Highlight:** Addition of *A Forgotten History: The Women Who Brought Us Title IX*, an oral history collection by Prof. Emerita Julia Lamber. Since its addition, it has garnered:
  - 1,020 views,
  - 44 transcript downloads, and
  - 190 audio streams.

**Facilities & Environment**

With its sweeping walls of windows, the JHLL is an inherently beautiful space. We strive to keep it in good condition, create an environment that is both physically and psychically welcoming and comfortable, improve access to library spaces and materials, and embrace occasional non-study uses that further the JHLL’s role as a center for the Maurer community.

- **166,532** people entered the JHLL, four times more than the preceding year.
- **7,384** conference/study rooms were booked, nearly four times more than the preceding year.
- **3,300** sq. ft. of new carpet were installed in the JHLL lobby, computer labs, and circulation desk area.
- **20** chairs from the JHLL lobby were reupholstered and refinished.
- **26** study carrels were removed, reducing overcrowding.
- **5** outdated and redundant microform readers were removed, leaving two needed to use microform collection.
- The JHLL hosted hundreds of people at the traditional graduation reception and, for the first time, the alumni reunion receptions, the welcome dinner for the Ohio Valley Group of Technical Services Librarians’ annual meeting, and a yoga class.

**Excellence in Librarianship**

A commitment to pursuing excellence in librarianship underlies all we do. This is evidenced by the many librarian accomplishments listed on the reverse. It is also evident in a project the JHLL joined in FY2021-22—a joint effort with the Ruth Lilly Law Library to digitize the Indiana Code, from its deepest historical roots to the present, and make it openly accessible to anyone. To further this project, we purchased an archive-quality book scanner and began contributing to the laborious task of scanning, processing, and uploading files.
**Library Faculty (FY2021-22 highlights)**

**Susan deMaine, Director**
- 2 book chapters published
- 2 conference presentations
- American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) Executive Board (2020-2023)
- Advisory Board, ALLStAR Law Library Benchmarking Cooperative

**Ashley Ahlbrand, Associate Director for Public Services**
- Winner of AALL Emerging Leader Award, 2021
- 1 short-form article and 1 book chapter published
- 2 conference presentations
- President, Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries (ORALL)
- Chair, AALL Committee on Relations with Information Vendors (CRIV)
- *AALL Spectrum* Editorial Board (2021-2023)

**Cindy Dabney, Outreach Services/Foreign, Comparative & International Law Librarian**
- 1 short-form article published
- Promotion & Tenure Committee, Bloomington Library Faculty Council

**Margaret Kiel-Morse, Faculty Services Librarian**
- 1 book chapter published
- 1 book review published
- Monthly contributing author to RIPS Law Librarian Blog
- 2 conference presentations
- Highly active in the Legal Innovation and Technology Special Interest Section of AALL
- Childcare Coalition, Bloomington Faculty Council
- Benefits Committee, Bloomington Faculty Council

**Michael Maben, Cataloging Librarian**
- Collection and Discovery Services Working Group for the Federal Depository Library Council
- Local Arrangements Committee for Ohio Valley Group of Technical Services Librarians; hosted opening dinner at the JHLL

**Kimberly Mattioli, Student Services Librarian**
- 1 short-form article published
- Many committees for AALL, ORALL, and Bloomington Library Faculty Council including AALL’s influential and sought-after Annual Meeting Program Committee

**Jennifer Morgan, Government Information Librarian**
- Federal Depository Library Council (FDLC) and Chair of the FDLC’s Collection and Discovery Services Working Group
- USGPO Task Force on a Digital Federal Depository Library Program
- 3 presentations at FDLC conferences
- Highly active in INDIGO (Indiana Networking for Documents and Information of Government Organizations)
- Integral part of B539: Lawyering in the Public Interest
Richard Vaughan, Associate Director for Technical Services
- 1 book review published
- 1 book under contract, University of Oklahoma Press

Library Staff (ongoing activities)
Rebecca Bertoloni-Meli, Head of Circulation and Patron Services
- 25 years at JHLL
- Manages all circulation and interlibrary loan matters
- Supervises student desk attendants and Evening Circulation Supervisor
- Oversees stack maintenance
- Our indispensable front-line person for so many things!

Katy Bull, Archives and Digital Preservation Specialist
- 7.5 years at JHLL
- Preserves, digitizes, catalogs, and curates materials for law school archive
- Responds to many inquiries about law school history and/or alumni, a veritable font of Maurer knowledge
- Manages processing and preservation of manuscript collections, primarily donated judges’ papers
- Prepares and sends library items to bindery

Amy Cheek, Government Documents Cataloger
- 26 years at JHLL
- Catalogs the many print and electronic government documents we receive
- Manages day-to-day tasks and implements long-term projects for the JHLL government documents collection with remarkable patience and perseverance

Abby Koop, Serials Collection Specialist
- 5 years at JHLL
- Manages the updating of all serial publications
- Contributes to the ongoing work involved in the Digital Repository, SSRN, and the Indiana Code digitization, with particular kudos for giving the digitization project a boost of forward momentum by training students to do the tedious parts

Amanda Morton, Monographs Cataloger
- 4 years at JHLL
- Catalogs print and electronic monographs coming into JHLL collections
- Manages physical books sent to the library for consideration re: purchase/return
- Has taken on new challenge of cataloging foreign government documents offered to JHLL by Wells Library, a task that will make great use of her aptitude for learning, problem-solving, and thoroughness.

New additions since FY2021-22
- John Moreland, Student Services Librarian
- Barbara Lambert, Business Manager
- Stella Winterman, Evening Circulation Supervisor