

LAUC-SD Diversity Committee

2006-2007 Annual Report

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The beginning of the LAUC year the committee was focused on the continued investigation of establishing a diversity fellowship. Jerome Offord, the Director of Diversity Initiatives at ARL, visited UCSD to discuss options for the development of a fellowship and grant funding possibilities. In addition, a meeting was held with department heads to gauge their interest in a fellowship and collect information on what type of program would prove most useful for them. ARL has subsequently developed a fellowship program to begin to address some of the needs and issues identified by the committee's several years of investigation.

The committee also organized a number of outreach activities:

The committee made an effort to strengthen ties with groups both inside and outside the library this year. Externally we collaborated with a number of campus centers to fund bringing a portion of the AIDS Memorial Quilt to campus for World AIDS Day. In addition there was increased communication with the Library Training Office to assist with putting on diversity training events in the library.

The committee worked on several activities within the library. In February, we created a display in the Social Sciences and Humanities Library, including an extensive reading list, celebrating African-American Women Activists for Black History Month and Women's History Month.

During spring break we organized a library wide Multicultural Potluck. Based on the level of participation, attendance and overwhelmingly positive feedback we intend to make this a yearly event.

Over the summer we began a Diversity Brown-bag Film Series to show short documentary films during lunch. The committee provides drinks and desserts, and discussion time is included depending on the length of the film (from 30-60min). Before the close of the LAUC year we screened two films, *Los Angeles Now* and *Class Dismissed: How TV Frames The Working Class*, and scheduled two more for September and October. Attendance at the films was good (around twenty people at each) and feedback was very positive.

Committee members attended the *Diversity Recruitment Summit for the Information Professions at UCLA* and the *UCSD First Annual Diversity Symposium*.

LAUC Diversity Committee Expenditures for 2006-2007
(Index Number LIBLW01)

Allocation for 2006-2007	\$1500.00
AIDS Memorial Quilt	\$100.00
Display of African-American Women Activists	\$19.75
Multicultural potluck for library staff	\$229.25
Documentary film brown bag	\$100.00
Remaining balance as of	\$1051.00