

International and Area Studies Implementation Team

Working Group on Collections/Space

Summary

November 5, 2009

Present: Koenker, Sroka (Convener and Note-taker), Teper

1.) The group discussed the space needed for the library faculty offices and staff areas. The group considered the space currently occupied by the Asian Library as probably the best location for the office space. However, the current Asian Library space would have to be remodeled and refurbished to serve as the future location for the library faculty offices. The group discussed the entrance to the stacks from the Asian Library. A question was raised concerning the security and adequate staffing if the entrance will remain to be open to the faculty and students in the new library. The group also addressed the need for one or two seminar rooms and a group study room in the new library. Those rooms could be located in the current space occupied by the English Library.

2.) A question was raised concerning the kind of reference materials needed in the new library. The group discussed the need for the subject specialists to identify adequate materials for the future reference collections, including online reference tools, electronic back files of print periodicals, and one-time purchases of various electronic resources. A wish list compiled by subject specialists could be a starting point to organize future reference collections of the new library. A concern was raised with regards to adequate space for area studies microfiche collections that will be housed in the new library. The new library should include microfiche collections that are actively used. Currently neither Africana nor Latin American and Caribbean microfiche collections are housed in those units.

3.) Future meeting dates:

November 18

December 8