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LACUNY Collection Development Roundtable
Wednesday, November 19, 2014
Graduate Center Library Lower Level, 2pm

Present: Ching Chang (MEC), Daisy V. Domínguez (CC), Nancy Egan (OLS), Kerry Falloon (CSI), Maria Kiriakova (JJ), Evelyn Leahy (BB), Cecilia Salber (KB), Alycia Sellie (GC), John Schriener (LC), Sharon Swacker (NYCCT), Susan Vaughn (BC), Alevtina Verbovetskaya (OLS), Mike Waldman (BB)

PRIMO

Alevtina Verbovetskaya answered questions about how PRIMO could be used for collection development. Some general pointers:

- It is better to make collection development decisions based on OneSearch because it is more up to date than Aleph since it is based on the Primo Central Index.
- ALMA is a next-generation ILS that will replace Aleph (as well as SFX and any ERMS used by the libraries) for libraries' everyday functionalities. CUNY is still a long way from considering another ILS.
- We should make sure that vendors know that we want them to be indexed on the Primo Central Index. Things are currently still being cataloged on both Aleph and Primo for now, though.

Some general OneSearch searching tips:

- Primo returns results from both Aleph and the Primo Central Index. Videos -- including streaming videos -- cataloged in Aleph will be discoverable in Primo. However, streaming videos not cataloged in Aleph may not be discoverable since not all streaming video vendors provide metadata to Ex Libris for inclusion in the Primo Central Index.
- In conjunction with the Cataloging Committee, OLS is working on cleaning up the 856 fields in Aleph MARC records so that when patrons see a link to a streaming video, they will be able to quickly tell if the item is available to them. Currently, there is no standardized language so it is not always clear whether an item is accessible to a particular school. OLS will also try to remove duplicate links--that is, when searching the Brooklyn College OneSearch, users will only see a link to their local e-resource and not 15 different links to other CUNY libraries' e-resources.
- Since there is no differentiation between books and e-books when conducting a general search in Primo, in order to find e-books, you should search for book + full text online. For physical books, you should search for book + available in library (this will search only books that are currently checked in)
- If you want to find out what is most often searched on Primo, go to the OLS Support Site >> Systems >> Primo >> Reports and find your password in order to run a search by campus.

ASSESSMENT

There was a general discussion on assessment tools. Baruch and CSI have used the OCLC assessment tool, which was cumbersome and has become somewhat more difficult to use.

Respectfully submitted by Daisy V. Domínguez, Chair