## Online Resources for Faculty

Faculty LibGuide: <a href="http://libguides.uakron.edu/facultyresources">http://libguides.uakron.edu/facultyresources</a>

# **Library Services**

- Ask Us
- Email Us ask@uakron2.libanswers.com
- Text Us (330) 529-5240
- Schedule an Online Research Consultation
- Interlibrary Loan services are available on a limited basis for electronic delivery
- Request Course Reserves and Other Materials

### **Library Resources**

- Instructions for Remote Access
- ZipSearch for e-books, e-journals, streaming video & audio, etc.
- Databases
- IdeaExchange@UAkron
- Library Guides

### **Help for Faculty Teaching Courses**

- For faculty teaching courses, Librarians are <u>available by appointment</u> and the Design and Development team are available through our Keep Teaching Community in Brightspace.
- In the <u>Keep Teaching Community on Brightspace</u>, you will find all recordings from our training sessions, a wide variety of handouts, a developing list of FAQs, and most important, discussion forums. Please post your questions to the Discussion forum and we will answer your question as soon as possible.

#### **Collections Update:**

UL Collections have been facing declines for several years. This is largely due to the fact that our budget is generated from two sources: (1) a central allocation from UA and (2) a per credit hour student fee. As enrollment has declined, so has our budget. Additionally, we must deal with inflation and the rising cost of information resources every year. FY 20 saw the collections budget decrease by \$126,849.81 (4.2%).

Our funding from UA has remained steady in previous years. We have been able to successfully defend the collections budget from cuts as it is critical for providing faculty and students with necessary resources for teaching, learning, and research. With the current fiscal climate, it appears we will have to take a large cut to the collections budget. As of late April 2020, we are currently preparing for a 25% budget cut from our university allocation and a 25% reduction in fees. This is a projected cut of \$755,000 for FY 21. This level of budget decline will necessitate massive cuts to databases and journal subscriptions. Our cancelation decisions are based on usage data, consideration for impact on students, and as much feedback as we can get from relevant campus constituents. Please take a moment to respond if one of the librarians reaches out to you for feedback on resources. It is likely that we will have to cancel resources that were previously considered core.

Resource updates should be communicated to departments by the appropriate subject librarian, will be sent out via the email Digest, and can be found in quarterly collections updates added to IdeaExchange@UAkron at <a href="https://ideaexchange.uakron.edu/erupdates/">https://ideaexchange.uakron.edu/erupdates/</a>