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Shifting Roles of Library Liaisons

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Old School Selection

- **2013-2014**
 - **Selection of materials primary duty of library liaisons**
 - **18 staff assigned to 13 areas**
 - **GOBI school-level notifications used but staff individually selected items and input orders**



Selection Redefined

- **2014-2015**
 - **3 member selection & acquisition team selects all materials**
 - **Selection streamlined by creation of GOBI program level notifications for print titles.**
 - **Shift to DDA ebooks eliminated need to select individual ebook titles**



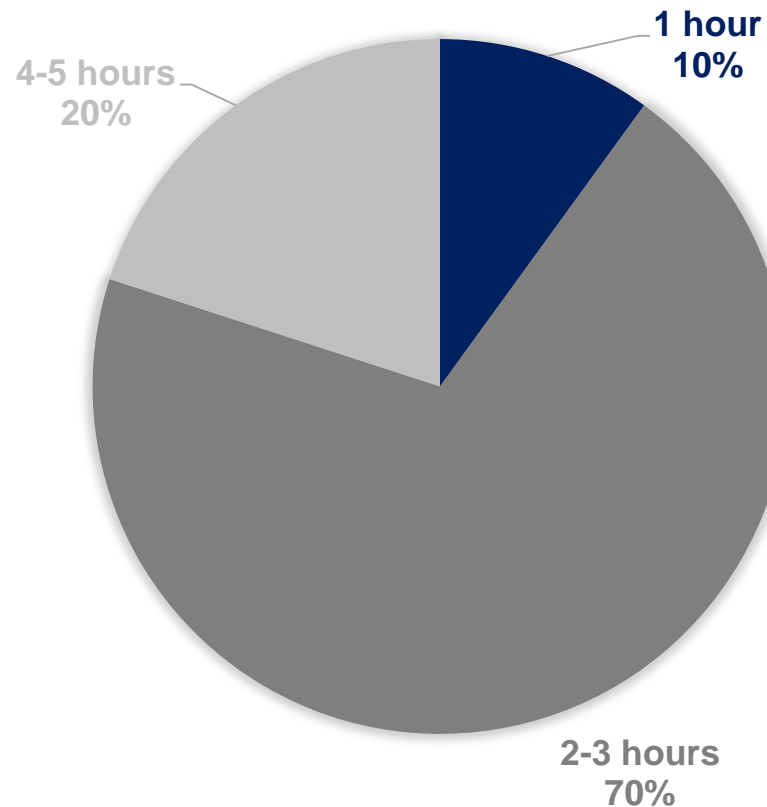
Selection Redefined

- **Outcomes**
 - **87% of materials budget committed by April 2015**
 - **14,000 new DDA titles added**
 - **1513 new print titles added**
- **Assessment**
 - **Circulation increased 16% over last year**

Staff Survey

Before the changes, how much time in a typical week did you spend selecting materials for your liaison area?

HOURS PER WEEK SELECTING MATERIALS



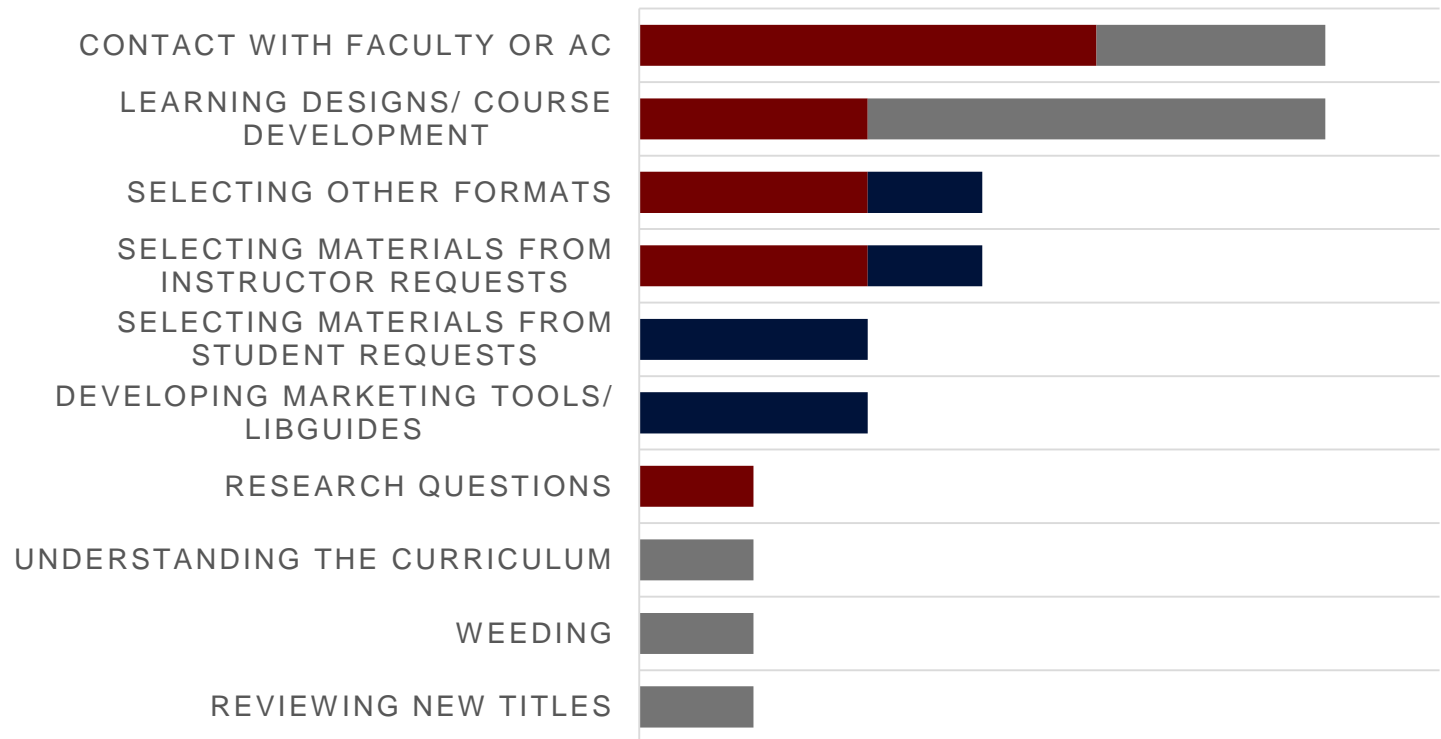


Staff Survey

What are the three top ways you spend your time as liaison now?

TOP LIAISON ACTIVITIES

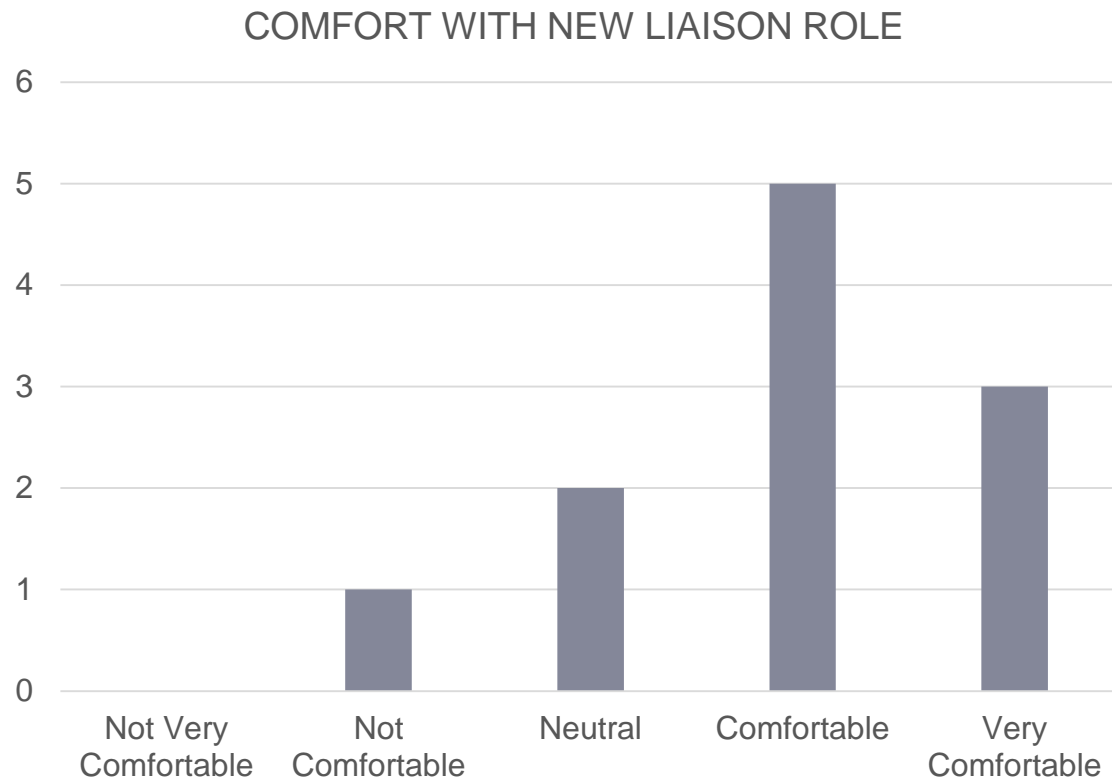
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Staff Survey

How comfortable do you feel with the new liaison role?





Next Steps

- **Introduce new liaison checklist**
 - **Focus on building relationship with faculty and Academic Chairs**
 - **Improve communication**
 - **Develop new activities such as Wood Trade Show, Photojournalism Exhibit, or faculty workshops**



Next Steps

New Liaison Checklist

Timeline	Activity
May – August	Update Department Contact List.
May – August	Compile content for Fall Library newsletter for Faculty.
May – August	Initiate contact with all Academic Chairs to learn about the current plans for the program and arrange to present at a program/Instructor Meeting.
May – August	Review titles in liaison area that selectors have identified for weeding based on the weeding tool and provide feedback.
September	Send fall newsletter.
September - December	Compile content for Winter Library newsletter for Faculty.
January	Send Winter Library newsletter.
Ongoing	Contact Academic Chairs and Instructors when relevant resources are added.
Ongoing	Participate in Course Development work, including attending kick-off meetings and completing Learning Designs.
Ongoing	Respond to liaison requests for research or project support, and pass on selection recommendations.
Ongoing	Identify new opportunities to engage with liaison areas, such as Photojournalism Exhibit, Wood Trade Show, International GIS Day, Lunch and Learn session for instructors.
Ongoing	Attend program or department meetings when possible to provide Library updates.
Ongoing	Update LibGuides at least once per semester and when relevant resources are added.