Ambassador of the Library: the (dangerous) Liaison

Working Together, Working Better: Liaison Relationships

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“It is important, for our priorities, to reflect the changing needs of our clientele. We’ll always face the challenges of balancing core work with strategic efforts but it’s important to note that these definitions will continue to evolve. The work identified as strategic today could easily form the core work of the future.”
New values and factors and priorities are redefining activities, roles, and identity…
New strategies for teaching and learning

New expressions of scholarship

New forms of knowledge

Research is a process of search and discovery

Information seeking is not a localized process
What is a liaison?
Library outreach to targeted departments

In-depth subject knowledge

- Facilitate communication with faculty to integrate them into collection development

Main focus on personal/interpersonal skills

A formal structured activity in which library staff meet with teaching faculty to support instructional needs

Information consultant

Tailored navigational support

An agent! To output useful services to academic departments
The widening participatory role of the liaison...
Scholarly communications
Webservices
Discovery and Delivery Environments
Information Literacy
Student Learning Outcomes
Virtual Learning Environments
E-science
Institutional Repositories
Distance Students
Educate
Entertain
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