It all started with blogs: developing new roles for librarians in collaborating with faculty on teaching, learning and research

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- Student population: 32,500
- Faculty and research staff: 4,300
- 7 Libraries, 94 library staff
- Times Higher Education’s Top 100 Under 50 rankings (Apr 2015): 5th position in the world; 4th in Asia
SOCIAL MEDIA
User interactions on Facebook, Twitter, Wordpress, Blog, YouTube, Vimeo, Vine, Instagram

ONLINE
Connect users to databases, ebooks, institutional repository etc.

PRINT
Esp. important for Art, Humanities & Social Sciences
Are Our Users ENGAGED?

Prefer convenience over quality

Users prefer to Google

Competing for users’ attention
NTU Library led a cross-departmental team which include colleagues from the Centre for IT Services and Centre of excellence in Learning & Teaching to establish a campus-wide blog development service.
Blogs as a Service

- Led by the Library’s New Media Group
- Adopt a whole-of-library approach where ALL subject librarians employ blogs and social media in their work
Blogs as a Service

Flip the questions

How to use “Library Skills” to help users?

How many users visit library blogs?
Blogs as a Service

Supports wiki projects for the whole campus; not just the library

BLOGS@NTU

A network of blogs hosted in NTU for teaching, research, marketing & community building
TYPES OF BLOG PROJECTS

Course & teaching blogs
Research blogs
Library blogs
Administrative blogs (including marketing & community engagement)
Collaborated with faculty in developing blogs that supplement course instruction, managing student discussion and class contributions and also in providing a platform for an academic school to collect, store and showcase students’ works.
Citing their sources and commenting on other comments supports flipped-classroom teaching.

More than 1,043 comments were generated during the semester; faculty could easily create a list of comments/postings by a student.
Students are to present their research findings by creating blogs, using a rich mix of text, images, videos and useful links instead of submitting term papers.
This page contains a listing of 78 student projects. If it does not load fully, please refresh the page.

Biographies of important people that have contributed to conserving and protecting our earth

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About the Course

Discussion of Chemistry in the context of selected current or potential socio-technological problems. Chemistry is central to a better understanding of our world. The issues selected, the facts and principles presented, and the habits of mind developed serve as a guide on how to live responsibly into the future.

Groups

You may access to your assigned group site from here. Follow this guide to get started on creating and organising content on your group project site. Create your content on your assignment group site and organise them in the following tabs "Introduction", "Describe Materials Used", "References", "Minutes Log", "About Team". Contact the Librarians at nmg@ntu.edu.sg if you need help with using the blog.
Many teaching opportunities for librarians –
Reference enquiry
Organising info on a “website”
Finding the “right” images
Blog creation tutorials/clinics
Choice of photo/video apps
Creating multimedia content
Digital literacy
Copyright
Developed in partnership with NTU School of Art, Design & Media (ADM), the ADM Portfolio aims to facilitate the curation, sharing and access of ADM student works.
Duality is a piece of furniture that has dual functions – a seat and a tray to keep things for convenience. Many of today’s furniture pieces are designed specifically to maximise space due to the spatial constraints faced when living in a small environment. One of my main inspirations comes from the need to have such furniture, given the limited living space that I lived in. To me, furniture is important because it can affect how a person lives. Specially designed furniture can be a problem-solver to man’s needs and wants. The objective of Duality, apart from its dual function, is to strike a balance between practicality and aesthetics.
Students blogs provide an archive of their work

School blogs showcase the outcome of teaching

Employers blogs provide a platform to view the works of potential employees
Creating Coursera/EDx-like online courses on a Shoestring

Learning how to resolve Vectors

2. Question

Consider a runner running at a constant speed of 6 m/s. How much time will it take to reach the finishing line?

\[ \cos y = \frac{\sin x \cos c \cos x \sin x + \sqrt{1 \sin^2 x \cos^2 c \cos^2 x \sin^2 x}}{\sin x \cos c \cos x \sin x} \]

Incorrect
Try again. Consider \( \text{Distance} = \text{speed} \times \text{time} \).
The figure above shows a closed curve \( r = r(\theta) \) on a flat plane using polar coordinates \((r, \theta)\). For simplicity, you may assume that \( r(\theta) \) is a single-valued function.

Express the length \( ds \) of an infinitesimal segment of the curve in polar coordinates.

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ds = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2 + r^2 d\theta^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{d\theta}{dr}\right)^2 + \theta^2 dr}
\]
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Librarians who keep pace with such blog developments are able to provide better solutions, advice and alternatives to faculty needs.
Participate in Our Program

Do you ever wonder what your baby is thinking? So do we! Here at Nanyang Technological University’s Early Cognition Lab, we examine what babies know about people, objects and animals. We ask questions like: Do babies think you should share your cookies equally with others? Do babies think you should offer help someone in need? What do babies know about animals?

We currently have several studies designed for different age groups for children. Our studies are designed to be fun (and completely safe); your child will sit on your lap the entire time and watch a live puppet show or videos involving objects or people. We simply observe babies’ natural responses to those events. Your visit to the lab will last about 45 minutes and can take place whenever is convenient for you (we also offer babysitting for siblings). We offer travel reimbursement too.

Research will not be possible without parents who generously volunteer their time to participate.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact us: babylab@ntu.edu.sg

We hope to hear from you!
To schedule an appointment, please fill up the form below:

**Parent’s Particulars**
Name: 
Contact Number: 
E-mail: 

**Child’s Particulars**
Name: 
Date of Birth: 
Gender: 

Send
The Bagan project is a repository of digital images of temples constructed between 11th and 18th centuries in Myanmar, including decorations on exterior facades and mural paintings on the interior walls.
This 11th-century stupa in the southwest of Bagan Myo Thit (New Bagan town) lies on the river bank, like Bu Hpayo. There is, however, no jetty, modern cement stairways led from the beach and the road to the shrine. The bell-shaped stupa stands on octagonal and two 16-sided terraces. Two inscriptions can be found in the shed. and these date
Loka-hteik-pan

Sector: West
Provincial Division: II

Built in the reign of Kyauzitha's successor, Sithu I, "Loka-hteik-pan" means "adorning the top of the world". This temple has a special exemplary status in Burmese Sacred art. The painters of the early twelfth-century, closely followed Indian literary sources or an Indian model to capture this cosmology as it was revealed through certain events in the life of the Buddha.

Location of images: Main Shrine

Welcome
The Murals of Bago are a precise set of icon topics, the distribution which follows a very particular pattern.

One of these topics is the Buddha, filled with the help of his holiness the central cult which together completes a traditional set of the great events which were favored in Northern Bago from the eighth to the eleventh centuries.

This site shares with different temples the which boasts the beauty and the meaning of the murals.

Categories
Select Category
Share educational resources about the historical contexts of scientific and technical issues related to the triple earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear disasters in Japan.


Editors' Note: This is a Korean translation of a Teach 3.11 annotation. We invite volunteers to translate and/or contribute content in Korean, Japanese, and Chinese languages. Thank you.

...고베가 도쿄나 다른 일본 도시들에 얽히지 않으므로 다시 도와줄 수 있는 기회가 주었는지 확인할 수 없을지조모를 다. 다음 지진이 일어나고 그 위기를 평가하기 전까지는 그것을 인식할 수 없을 것이다.

이 단락은 데이빗 에이징턴(David W. Edginton)이 한신-아와지 대지진에

在日韩国人、中国人、部落出身者などのマイノリティを深く研究している。

- Tyson Vaughan, Cornell University

英語本文の翻訳担当者: 井沼 睦（神戸大学）

* 参考の動画: Prof. Edgintonが神戸と仙台を比較
(http://www.asiapacificmemo.ca/japanese-geogr
edginton-video)
Issues in information behaviour on social media

Christopher S.G. Khoo | 0 comments

Background: Social media present a rich environment to study information behaviour, as much of the user interaction is recorded and stored in publicly accessible repositories and on personal devices.

Objectives: This paper surveys the literature of the past nine years on information behaviour related to social media, focusing on social networking sites and online discussion forums. It reviews the characteristics of social media users and use, the predominant types of information behaviour, and new types of information found in user-contributed content.

Results: Studies have found age, gender and national differences, and differences between local citizens and foreigners, in the frequency and purpose of social media use, the choice of social media sites, number of online friends, and types of information posted. Social media users typically share experiential and practical knowledge in the context of everyday life. Informational support provided by social media users is complemented with socio-emotional support. Predominant types of information behaviour include asking (i.e., request for information), answering with information, unsolicited information sharing, and information integration. Browsing and monitoring are important types of information seeking behaviour on social media. Users use a combination of information behaviours, information sources, and online as well as offline sources for information needs that are important to them.

Conclusion: Social media are evolving into important sources of information that complement traditional information sources. They provide an opportunity to study types of information behaviour related to human interaction, that are difficult to study in physical environments.

3 librarians assume official roles of associate editor (social media), digital content manager and web developer for the e-journal
Many departments and schools plan to or have set up blogs and Facebook sites to market their programmes and activities to potential students.

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Administrative blogs (including marketing & community engagement)
Improving Portfolio Review workflow

News & Events

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24 January 2015
11am - 5pm
Suntec Singapore Convention and Exhibition Centre,
Meeting Rooms Level 3
Find out how to become a Professional in Art, Design and Media - For Admissions to BFA Courses Portfolio Reviews and Introduction to Admissions in ADM
Thank you for your interest. The ADM Open house is over. Please contact ADM for admission matters or the undergraduate programmes.
To share personal musings, ideas, opinions and thoughts on university happenings, campus life, and more.

I have been in Singapore for seven years and there’s one thing that never fails to amaze me. Singaporeans are passionate about education, especially the education of their children. That’s a good thing. Singaporeans should be happy that they are well served by an education system that is simply world-class.

As I am a beneficiary of education myself, I believe in and appreciate the value of education. I’m the only one among my relatives with a degree. When I was young, my parents never encouraged me to study. I did it myself.
I left my heart in Germany...

So here I am, sitting in front of my laptop. Different life was just a few months back. My student exchange programme at St...
Sharing by a group of PhD Students

Guide to English Grammar, Mechanics and Usage Rules

I just wanted to share a useful link / guide on writing, grammar and usage rules (e.g., punctuation or how to quote) in English. You can find the guide here.

While the first three sections are fairly basic and maybe not too relevant for us, I found the sections on “Mechanics” (4) and “Punctuation” (5) very useful.

Sections 6 and 7 include some general advice on how to improve your writing style.

ENEAR Summer School starts today!

Today (July 1, 2015) marks the start of the first ENEAR (European Network for Experimental Accounting Research) Summer School in Amsterdam. I think I have sent around a link to this event a few months ago. You can find details on ENEAR and the
Supporting community projects
Before I Die, I Want to

- Dance to a Korean song
- Do something to help less fortunate
- Visit my grandpa
- Make a perfect side split
- Take a skydive & parachute in Fear Factor
- Buy a dog
- Enjoy every single meal
- Now, do something you've always wanted to do
- Stay in Korea for 3 months
- Find a forever home for a stray cat or dog
- Meet the band One Ok Rock
- Stay in London for a year
- Give my eyes a rest
- Visit the grand canyon
- Make friends with a new culture
- Travel to Japan
- See a ballet performance
- Meet Psy
- Visit Hollywood
- Visit the Louvre Museum
- Eat as much as I can
- Do karaoke
- Get an autograph from Brock Lesnar
- Light speed space travel
Join our wall today! Answer the question below

{ Before I die I want to ________________________________ Submit » }

Before I die I want to find a cure for cancer

Before I die I want to 和家人在一起
Some thoughts ...

Blogs as a Service is a great Calling Card
Blogs – many possibilities; many challenges

Some thoughts ...

Flipped classroom, MOOC-like courses, digital literacy, digital publishing, content curation, work portfolio, community building
Some thoughts ...

Bring others along with us
Need to create partnerships with CITS, CELT etc
Thank You

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