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University Libraries Strategic Planning Draft Priorities Power Point

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Draft Strategic Priorities

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Meeting Schedule

About every two weeks on Monday from 12:30 to 2:30 PM.

Process

- What are strategic priorities?
  - Priorities will help us identify what we need to focus on
  - They should align with our Mission, Vision, and Values
- Brainstorming activity questions
  - What elements or activities should be part of our strategic plan?
  - What actions do we need to take in order to make the mission/vision/values come to life?

- Activity
  - Used a virtual whiteboard to post ideas
  - Ideas were grouped into overall themes
  - Small groups then worked to refine into priorities
- The description of the priority should answer the questions:
  - What is it?
  - Why is it important?

Draft Strategic Priorities

Priority 1: Foster holistic programming to the campus and community

Priority 2: Strengthen scholarship, creative works, and learning through responsive collection development

Priority 3: Library employees as community

Priority 4: Transform learning spaces and environments

Priority 1

Foster holistic programming to the campus and community

Description: Our focus is on fostering relationships and collaborating with partners across campus and the wider Northern Colorado community. Through these collaborations, University Libraries will support creativity, learning, and scholarship to promote individual and group success.

Priority 2

Strengthen scholarship, creative works, and learning through responsible collection development

Description: University Libraries are responsible stewards of our curriculum-focused collections. We work collaboratively to meet changing and emerging university needs.

Priority 3

Library employees as community

Description: It is essential that all Libraries employees know that they are an indispensable part of our community and their well-being is vital to our success. By recognizing and celebrating the work our employees do, providing opportunities for professional and personal development, and creating a more efficient organizational structure, we will improve morale and retain valuable employees.

Priority 4

Transform learning spaces and environments

Description: University Libraries strives to create and maintain learning spaces and environments that are physically and socially welcoming, accessible and inclusive, and enable us to collaborate with our students, faculty, and community in the creation of art, scholarship, and learning opportunities. As an academic center for the University, the Libraries recognize that investment in our learning spaces is an investment in the scholarship, creativity, and success of our students and our entire Bears community.

Feedback on draft priorities

Qualtrics Survey (Link to be provided)
- Open April 5th – April 14th

Zoom Meetings (Links to be provided)*
- April 8 – 11 AM to 12 PM
- April 13 – 2 to 3 PM

*You do not need to complete both the survey and attend a Zoom session, but you are welcome to do both.

What's next?

We will be gathering feedback on the draft priorities from the Libraries as well as faculty and students.

The task force will use that feedback to inform our goals and objectives.