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Dear Trinity Community,

As the semester comes to a close we would like to provide you with a brief highlight of upcoming projects from the Information Services Division.

- On June 29, 2017 we will go live with a new Integrated Library System with our consortium partners, Connecticut College and Wesleyan University (CTW). This new system will do a better job of managing our growing collection of electronic resources, and provide for better integration of multiple formats, more robust searching, and streamlined library operations. For researchers, this will translate into a more seamless experience, because multiple separate collections will now be searchable in one place. No longer will library patrons need to choose between our own library catalog and the CTW catalog, and they will be able to more easily cast a wide net searching subscribed journal content and the Trinity Digital Repository.

    Our Research Librarians will be reaching out to departments to demonstrate the new system or as always, feel free to reach out and make a personal appointment with a liaison librarian.

- New collections will include the Chronicle of Higher Educations, CQ Archive, The digital National Security Archive, and Caribbean Studies in Video.

- As a reminder, the research librarians have reviewed the Reference Collection and designated sets of books to be kept in reference, moved to the circulating collection, stored or withdrawn. We invite faculty to review these books until this August, and to let us know if a book's designation should be changed. Contact the librarian liaison to your department and they'll be glad to help.

- For the months of June and July, Information Services will be providing a single service point for technology helpdesk, circulation and reserves. Staff will be cross-training to support all aspects of services. The location of this shared service point will be the Circulation Desk. August 1st, we will return to the 2 service point model.

- During June we will begin migrating our email services to Office365, a cloud-based solution. A more detailed schedule will be forth coming. Highlights of this include:
    o Increased default mailbox size to 100GB – with Unlimited Online Archive
    o Attachments up to 35 MB
    o Webmail client will have a new look, but for outlook users the interface will be the same

- We anticipate beginning construction to provide for a Digital Scholarship Center, a digitization space, a recording studio and a 30-seat classroom on level 1 in the Library and Information Technology Center. This space was formerly occupied by our Cataloguing and Acquisitions team, which are now located behind the circulation desk.

- For the majority of our Academic spaces we will be upgrading the wireless this summer.

- We are exploring multiple options for Cable TV, including the possibility of providing service in common spaces only beginning fall 2018.

- For the majority of our classrooms, we will be working on upgrading our projectors.

- On Sunday, June 4th, from Midnight to 9am our network and servers will be unavailable. During this time, we will be replacing our core on-campus routers with new equipment.

Please let us know if you have any questions about our summer projects.

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