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DISASTER PLANNING FOR SPECIAL LIBRARIES

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November 2020| 240 pp.| Paperback| 9780081009482| Chandos Publishing|

Disaster Planning for Special Libraries is ideal for corporate librarians and staff members charged with developing security and disaster plans.

Chapters examine a wide variety of settings, from urban office towers and malls, to smaller buildings. It considers special considerations for libraries in hospitals, law firms, manufacturing plants and government departments and discusses how corporate-wide security and disaster plans address or fail to address risks. Subsequent chapters cover the business resumption process for corporate libraries, the best ways to assess damage to corporate library facilities and assets, and the need for strategic alliances with other libraries.

The book also discusses the necessary post-disaster public relations that corporate libraries should organize and maintain after negative events, covering orientation and training programs for corporate library employees and demonstrating how such programs can be adapted to meet the needs of libraries in various settings.

Key Features

- Discusses how corporate-wide security and disaster plans address or fail to address the risks in corporate libraries.
- Presents critical information in an accessible manner.

- Offers different approaches to a broad range of security and disaster planning topics in corporate libraries.
- Considers the risks for a variety of physical settings for corporate libraries, including office towers, malls and basements.

PRACTICAL DATA SCIENCE FOR INFORMATION PROFESSIONALS
David Stuart

July 2020|200 pp.| Paperback| 9781783303441| Facet Publishing|
The growing importance of data science, and the increasing role of information professionals in the management and use of data, are brought together in *Practical Data Science for Information Professionals* to provide a practical introduction specifically designed for information professionals.

Data science has a wide range of applications within the information profession, from working alongside researchers in the discovery of new knowledge, to the application of business analytics for the smoother running of a library or library services. *Practical Data Science for Information Professionals* provides an accessible introduction to data science, using detailed

examples and analysis on real data sets to explore the basics of the subject.

Key Features
- The growing importance of data science.
- The role of the information professional in data science.
- Some of the most important tools and methods that information professionals may use.
- An analysis of the future of data science and the role of the information professional.

TECHNOLOGY, CHANGE AND THE ACADEMIC LIBRARY: CASE STUDIES, TRENDS AND REFLECTIONS
Jeremy Atkinson

September 2020| 234 pp.| Paperback| 9780128228074| Chandos Publishing|
Technology, Change and the Academic Library: Case Studies, Trends and Reflections systematically reflects on technological innovation, the successes, failures and lessons learned, the nature, process and culture of change, and

key aspects including impacts on library staff and users, roles and responsibilities, and skills and capabilities. The book takes an international perspective on the massive change currently affecting academic libraries. The title gives an overview and literature review, considers technological innovation and change management, future technologies and future change, and provides information on further reading. Case studies describe the rationale, aims, and objectives for particular technological innovations, and consider methods, outcomes, and recommendations for the future. Finally, the book reflects back on how technological change can best be wrought in academic libraries.
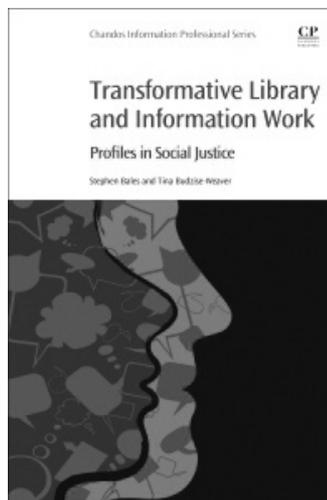
Key Features

- Gives library managers and librarians insight into how best to identify, plan, and implement technological innovation.
- Provides a wide-ranging overview, literature review, and a series of reflective case studies on technological innovation in libraries.
- Emphasizes current trends, lessons, and critical issues for putting technological innovation into place.
- Offers an international perspective on technological innovation in the academic library.
- Uses a critical methodology to reflect on what works, what does not, and how managers can apply lessons from real cases worldwide.

TRANSFORMATIVE LIBRARY AND INFORMATION WORK: PROFILES IN SOCIAL JUSTICE
Stephen Bales and Tina Budzise-Weaver

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Intended to be an accessible guide to transformational information work, the book collects approximately 30 brief case studies of information-related organizations, initiatives, and/or projects that focus on social justice-related activities. Each case is a short narrative account of its particular subject's history, objectives, accomplishments, and challenges faced. It also describes the material realities involved in the subjects' day-to-day operation. Furthermore, cases include pertinent excerpts from interviews conducted with individuals directly involved with the information organization and will conclude with three-to-five bulleted takeaway points for information workers to consider when developing their own praxis.
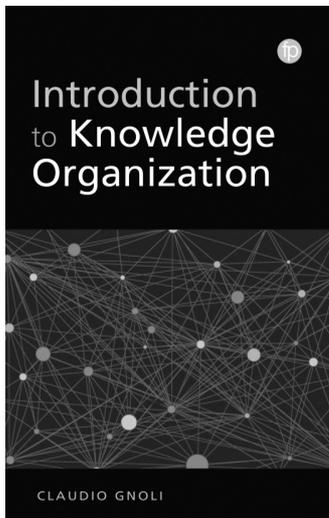
Key Features

- Presents useful guidance on transformative library and information science.
- Gathers real-world case studies of library and information practice relating to social justice.
- Gives takeaway points for readers to quickly apply in their own situation.
- Provides inspiration for the development of progressive library and information practice.

■ Considers radical library and information science at a high level, offering recommendations for the future.

Introduction to Knowledge Organization

Claudio Gnoli

July 2020**|** 160 pp.**|** Paperback**|** 9781783304660**|** Facet Publishing

This book provides a complete introduction to the rapidly expanding field of knowledge organization (KO), presenting historical precedents and theoretical foundations in a discursive, intelligible form, covering the philosophical, linguistic and technical aspects. In the contemporary context of global information exchange through linked data, knowledge organization systems (KOS) need to be represented in standard inter-operable formats. Different formats for KOS representation including MARC, Dublin Core, SKOS and OWL are introduced as well as the application of knowledge organization to a variety of activities and contexts: education, encyclopaedic knowledge, the Internet, libraries, archives, museums, galleries and other institutions collecting and providing access to recorded knowledge.

Key Features

■ Ontology and epistemology in KO

■ KO structures: lists, hierarchies, facets

■ KO types: tagging, taxonomies, thesauri, classifications

■ Conceptual analysis of documents

■ Applications in the digital age