

Research Assistant Training



How to Make the Most of USD Library Resources

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Research Assistant Program

Along with individual work study faculty research positions, the law school has a program for training a cohort of research assistants (RA). Each year a new group of RAs are invited into the program based upon the student's academic standing throughout his or her first year and the student's expressed interest. The Legal Research Center provides training for the RAs toward the end of the 1L Spring semester as well as support on an individual basis for every RA throughout the student's time as an RA.

RAs apply for the program through the School of Law Office for JD Student Affairs, Contact: Assistant Dean for Law Student Affairs, [Emily Keehn](#).

If you have been invited to apply to the Research Assistant Program, please complete this [application form](#) by the designated deadline.

RA Research Training Materials

- [Using USD research tools \(PDF\)](#)
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Know your assignment



Know your assignment



Step 1:
Conduct a
research interview
with professor

Talk to your professor



- Understand:
 - the project and how your work fits in
 - what you are expected to do
 - what you will turn in
 - when you must turn in your work
- Ask questions throughout the process
- Confirm details

Develop your roadmap



Step 2:

Develop a research road map



Develop your roadmap



- Jurisdiction?
- Legal issue?
- Develop search terms:
 - Things, Actions, Remedies, People, Places
 - Consider synonyms
- Include citations/resources recommended by the professor

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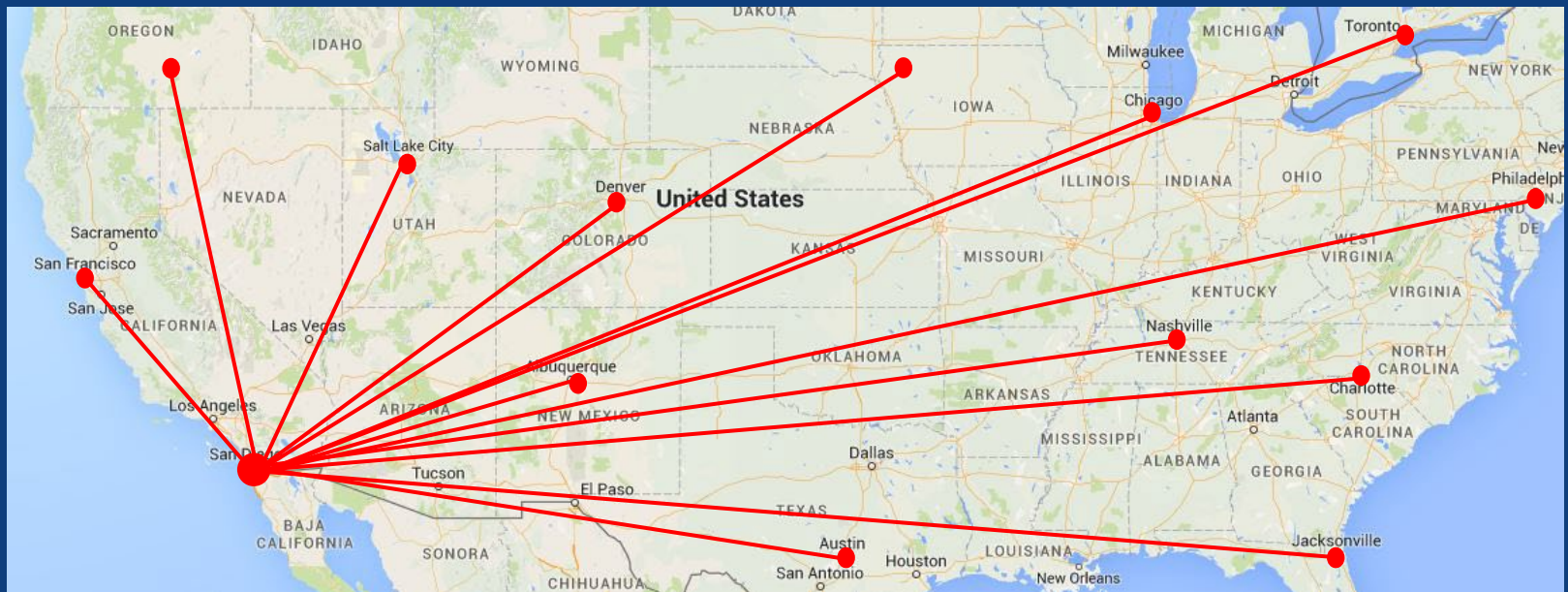
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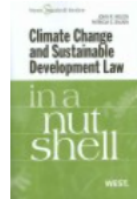
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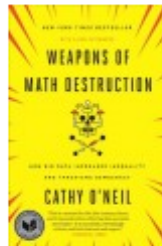
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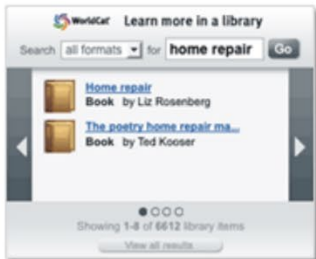


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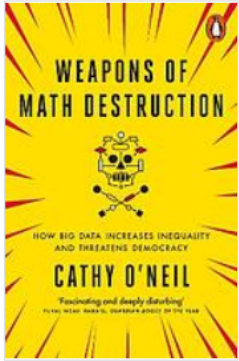
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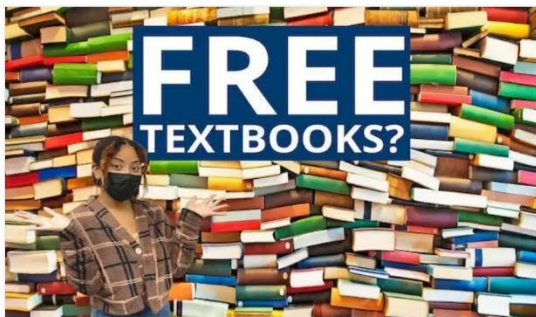
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 - Lorcan Dempsey, Vice President, Membership and Research, Chief Strategist - OCLC
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 - Sarah Lamdan, SPARC Senior Fellow, Professor of Law - City University of New York School of Law

FEATURED SPEAKER

- Stepping Back to Move toward a More Equitable Future for Digital Library Users and Workers**
 - Jennifer Farvett, Digital Library Federation (DLF) Senior Program Officer at the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) and founder and principal of We Here, LLC



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