LIBRARIANS AS RESEARCHERS

Methods, Lessons and Trends

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WHO AM I?

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WHY DO LIBRARIANS DO RESEARCH?

- Solving a problem
- Proving the case to stakeholders
- Required part of the role
- Career advancement
- Curiosity
DEVELOPING LIBRARIAN RESEARCHERS
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Increase in training

Already doing research

Growing awareness
LIBRARIAN RESEARCHERS

Increasing number of research support roles

Demystification of the research process
TRENDS IN RESEARCH
EVIDENCE BASED LIBRARIANSHIP
MORE PRACTITIONER-RESEARCHERS
LINK BETWEEN THEORY & PRACTICE
TRYING SOMETHING NEW
CAMBRIDGE APPROACH

Education & encouragement
Community of practice
Increasing management buy-in
QUESTIONS?
AND FINALLY....

Research is formalised curiosity. It is poking and prying with a purpose

Zora Neale Hurston
(1942)
THANKS FOR LISTENING

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