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University of Washington East Asia Library receives Tateuchi Foundation grant

With deep gratitude I am delighted to share the good news that the East Asia library (EAL) at the University of Washington has received a generous grant of \$189,600 from the Atsuhiko and Ina Goodwin Tateuchi Foundation in support of its current projects over three years starting September 2019 through the 2021 fiscal year. These projects include space assessment and design for renovation of EAL's main location to meet the new demands of the changing academy; workshops to support the research of graduate students in China, Japan, Korea, and Taiwan studies; preservation binding and processing for EAL's newly cataloged CJK special collections and UW Libraries' special photograph collection of Japanese Americans; further developing exchange programs with libraries in Japan through visits of librarians and library professionals; and travel grants for Japanese library science scholars to conduct research at the University of Washington. Focusing on UW Libraries strategic plan, these projects will significantly enrich our students' experience, accelerate scholarship and learning, and enable our library to grow as a learning organization.

We express our heartfelt appreciation to the Tateuchi Foundation for the unwavering support. Thanks to their generosity, in the past years our East Asia Library has been able to accomplish transformational projects, such as projects to get rid of its decades-old Japanese cataloging backlog, to inspire support from other grants and community donors to eliminate its historical Korean cataloging backlog, and to significantly reduce its historical Chinese cataloging backlog, among many other significant projects.

With the current grant from the Tateuchi Foundation, we enthusiastically look forward to working with colleagues in and outside the UW Libraries and partners across the Pacific to carry out these projects.

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