LAC Summer Classes

The Library Association of China (LAC) kicked off a series of summer school classes in July, helping librarians and information specialists brush up their skills. The five weeklong courses admitted between 60 and 70 participants each and covered the following topics:

1. Digital Libraries and Information Searching (July 10 to 14): This class, organized by the Library and Information Science Department at National Taiwan University, discussed various aspects of the establishment, management, and promotion of digital libraries.

2. Library Resource Organization and Arrangement (July 17 to 21): Hosted by the NCL, this course addressed classification standards and other issues pertaining to cataloging work and library resource management.

3. Development of Digital Library Collections (July 24 to 28): This class, also organized by the NCL, looked at the development of digital libraries, conversion of materials into digital formats, online resources and copyright issues, procurement, legal issues, and inter-library alliance strategies.

4. Management Science (July 31 to August 4): Organized by the NCL, this course discussed library management theory and application, reader services, human resource management, and methods for assessing and responding to reader needs.

5. Library Multimedia Resource Management (July 31 to August 4): Conducted by the National Taiwan Normal University Library, this course covered issues related to the development trends, selection and acquisition, management, and use of multimedia resources at libraries. Copyright issues and the planning of multimedia centers and broadband channels was also addressed.