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**Thomas
Tredway
Library**

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Special Collections prepared its own annual report, which is available on Augustana Digital Commons: <https://digitalcommons.augustana.edu/annualreports/3/>

STAFF

The faculty and staff of the Thomas Tredway Library during the 2022-2023 school year:

- **Christine Aden**, Head of Circulation
- **Stefanie Bluemle**, Library Director
- **Anne Earel**, Research & Instruction Librarian
- **Kaitlyn Goss-Peirce**, Research & Instruction Librarian (beginning Sep. 2022)
- **Sherrie Herbst**, Interlibrary Loan Specialist
- **Lauryn Lehman**, Research & Instruction Librarian (through Dec. 2022)
- **Harrison Phillis**, Special Collections Assistant
- **Vicky Ruklic**, Administrative Assistant
- **Julia Sears**, Evening Circulation Supervisor (beginning Oct. 2022)
- **Mary Tatro**, Technical Services Librarian
- **Micaela Terronez**, Special Collections Librarian
- **Garrett Traylor**, Research & Instruction Librarian
- **Taylor Waugh**, Technical Services & Interlibrary Loan Assistant

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Teaching

Continue a thoughtful plan of integrating information literacy into the curriculum in a sequential, developmental manner.

INFORMATION LITERACY INSTRUCTION

Tredway librarians taught **187*** information literacy instruction sessions in 2022-2023. Librarians' teaching methods focus on active learning, with exercises that range from scavenger hunts to in-class debates to zine-making.

**Includes sessions in Special Collections.*

109

FYI, FYH, and LSC sessions

71

100- to 400-level disciplinary sessions (except SI)

7

Senior Inquiry sessions

AUGUSTANA PRISON EDUCATION PROGRAM

In 2022-2023, research and instruction librarian Garrett Traylor began holding in-person information literacy instruction sessions* for the Augustana Prison Education Program.

**Number included in statistics above.*

4

Sessions at the East Moline Correctional Center

This year's APEP sessions were for FYI 101 and FYI 102, and focused on in-depth conversation about evaluating sources.

TUTORIALS AND HOW-TO VIDEOS

Research and instruction librarians developed new interactive tutorials to teach basic search and other information literacy skills in FYI, FYH, and other sessions as needed.

Tutorials newly designed by Tredway librarians in 2022-2023 are:

- [Evaluating Sources Using Lateral Reading](#)
- [Primary vs. Secondary Sources](#)
- [Understanding Copyright](#)

Research and instruction librarian Anne Earel also developed an introductory video for new master's students, transfer students, and new faculty:

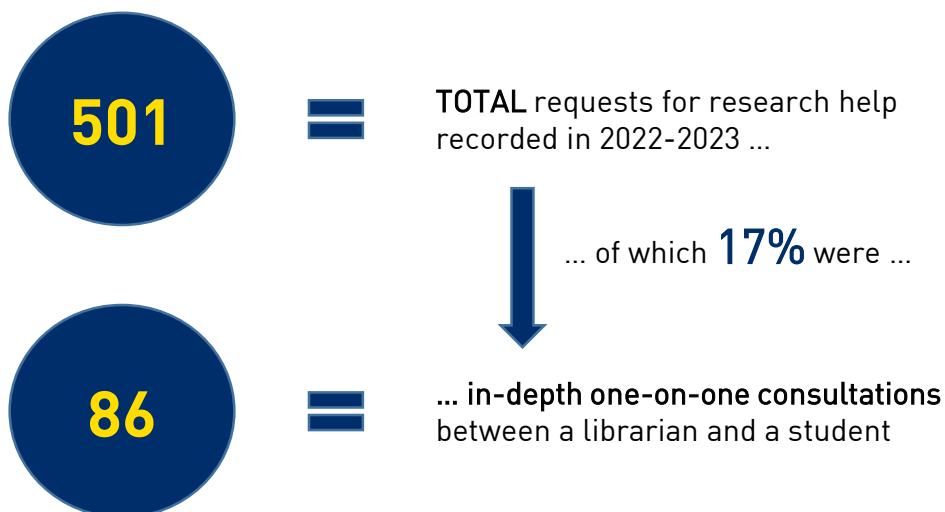
- [Getting Started at the Tredway Library](#)

Service

Deliver library services that maximize efficiency, effectiveness, sustainability, and inclusivity.

RESEARCH HELP SERVICES

2022-2023 saw the continuation of a trend of students seeking out subject librarians for one-on-one consultations about their research projects.

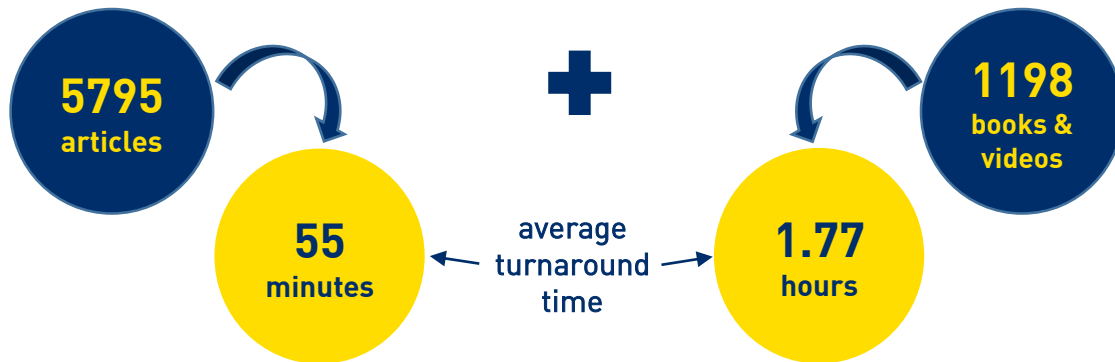


The significant majority of one-on-one consultations were held by research and instruction librarians Anne Earel, Kaitlyn Goss-Peirce, Lauryn Lehman (before her departure in December), and Garrett Traylor. Librarian-student meetings can take anywhere from 15 to 60 minutes or more.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN

Tredway's ILL services are known for being lightning fast, and this year was no different.

- LENDING TO other libraries:



- BORROWING FROM other libraries:



Thanks go to interlibrary loan specialist Sherrie Herbst, technical services / interlibrary loan assistant Taylor Waugh, and technical services librarian Mary Tatro for their excellent work.

Outreach

Foster strong relationships with our community as outlined in Augustana's strategic plan.

DO BE DO BE DO: LEGO AND MORE

With the assistance and creative consultation of associate professor of art and graphic design Vickie Phipps, Tredway Library developed a low-key, welcoming makerspace centered on building LEGO sets. The theme for the makerspace, developed by Vickie, was "Do Be Do Be Do."

In addition to the tree house pictured here, students built a street scene, a boutique hotel, a haunted house, a space shuttle, a grand piano, and a model of the Titanic.





The winning pumpkins in the November 2022 pumpkin-painting contest.

To supplement the LEGO sets, Tredway Library provided a variety of other arts & crafts opportunities to students throughout the year, including:

- Miniature pumpkins to paint for Halloween
- Holiday ornaments to paint in December
- Black-out poetry for National Poetry Month
- Small clay pots to paint for Earth Day, with cuttings from the library's large collection of plants

Funding for "Do Be Do Be Do" was provided by the graphic design program, the Humanities Fund, the Jaeke Foundation, and Tredway Library. Signage was developed by student Christina O'Connell.

Collections

Build a vibrant collection that supports undergraduate learning, research, and intellectual curiosity.

NEW ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

Tredway Library obtained access to the following new electronic resources in 2022-23:

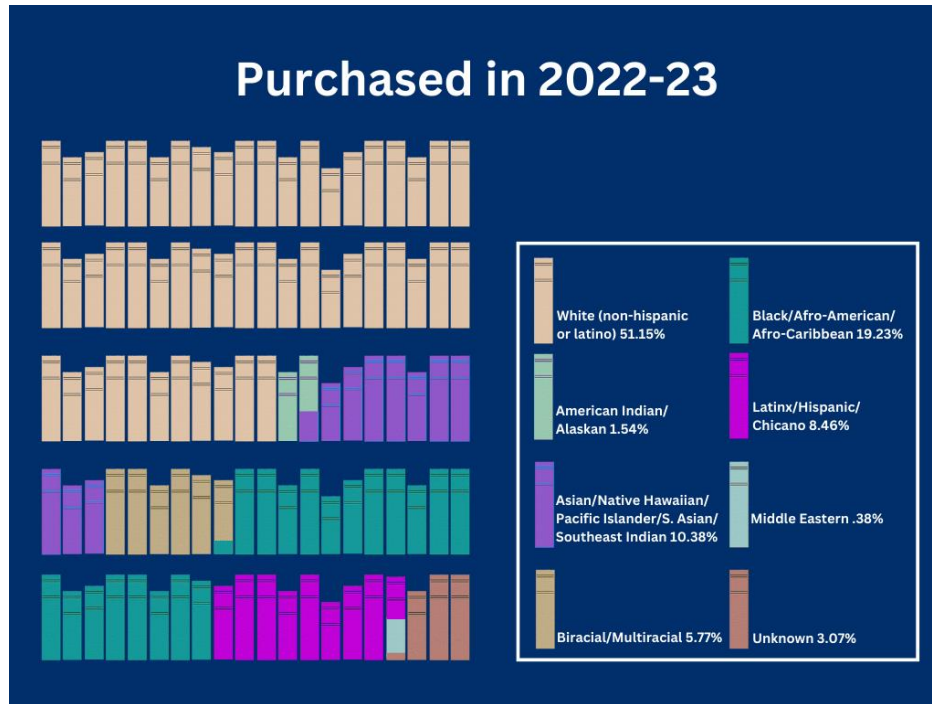
- NewsBank
- Bloom's Literary Criticism eBook Collection (Infobase)
- *Ebony* Magazine Archive, 1945-2014 (Ebsco)
- *Sports Illustrated* Magazine Archive, 1954-2000 (Ebsco)
- *Time* Magazine Archive, 1923-2000 (Ebsco)

All of our new resources are accessible alphabetically through the library's [A-Z Resources](#) page, as well as various research guides.

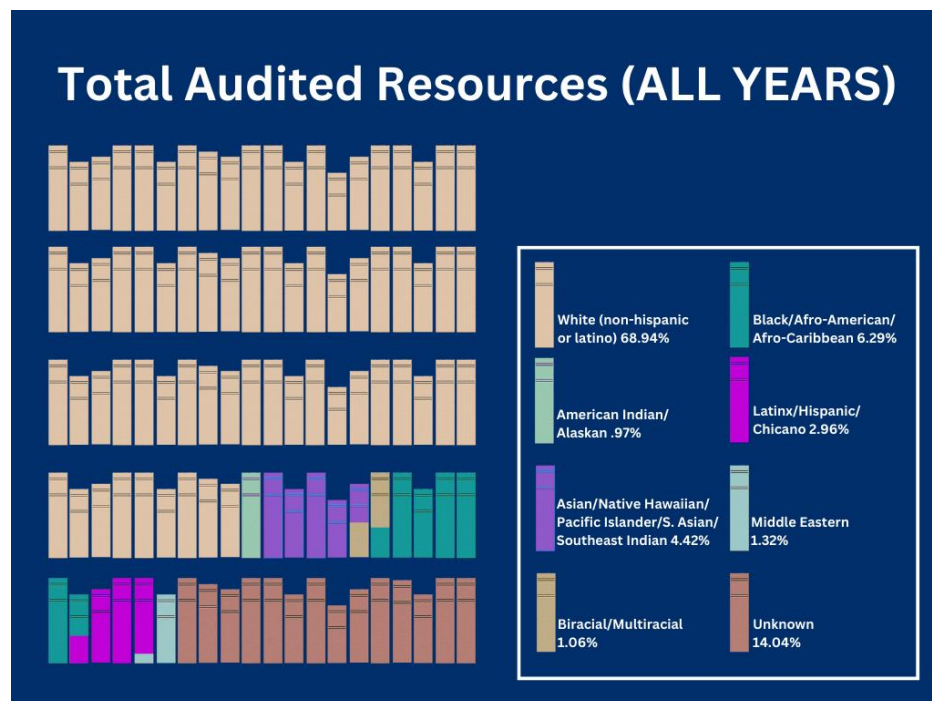
DIVERSITY AUDIT

Tredway Library's diversity audit of the circulating collection continued in the form of a purchasing audit of 2022-23 acquisitions. The audit shows progress in the library's collecting practices and points to further action necessary in the years ahead.

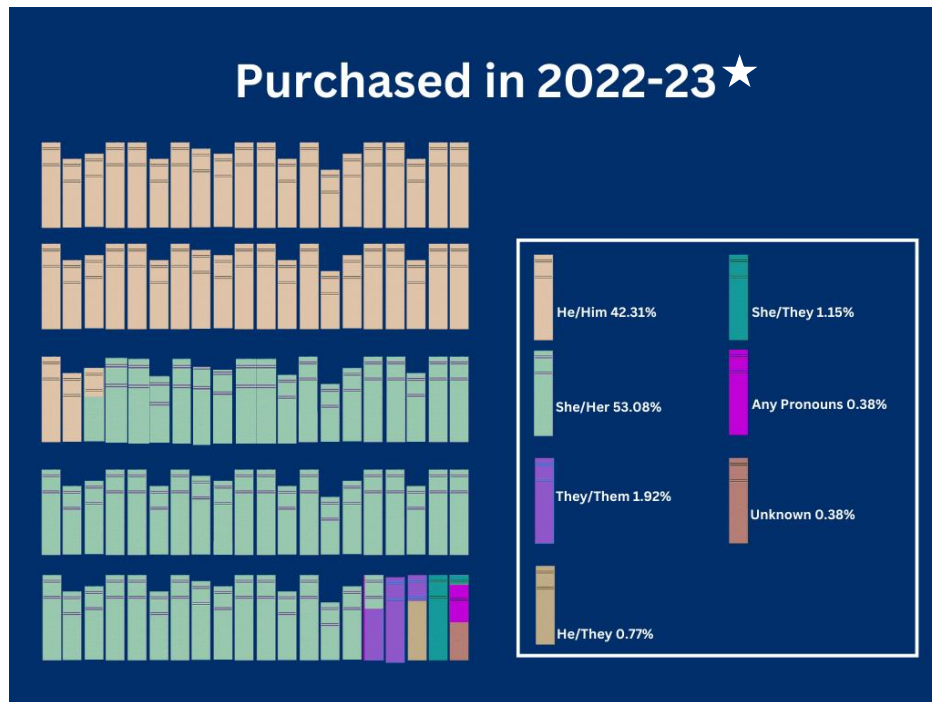
Race or Ethnicity of Authors Represented



... compared to ...

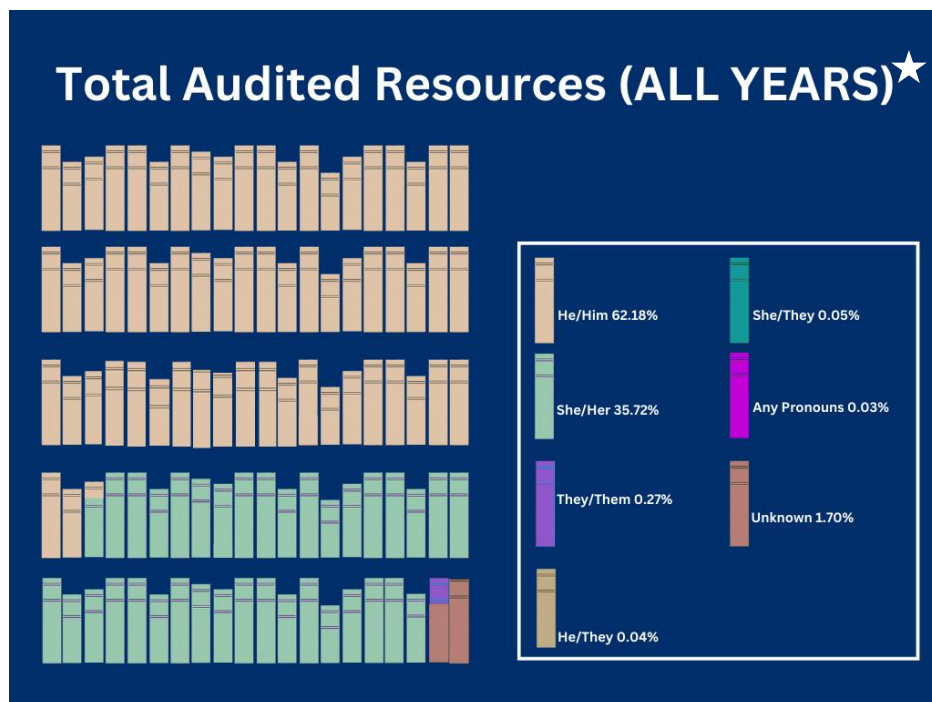


Pronouns of Authors Represented



★ includes 2.3% of authors who self-identify as transgender

... compared to ...

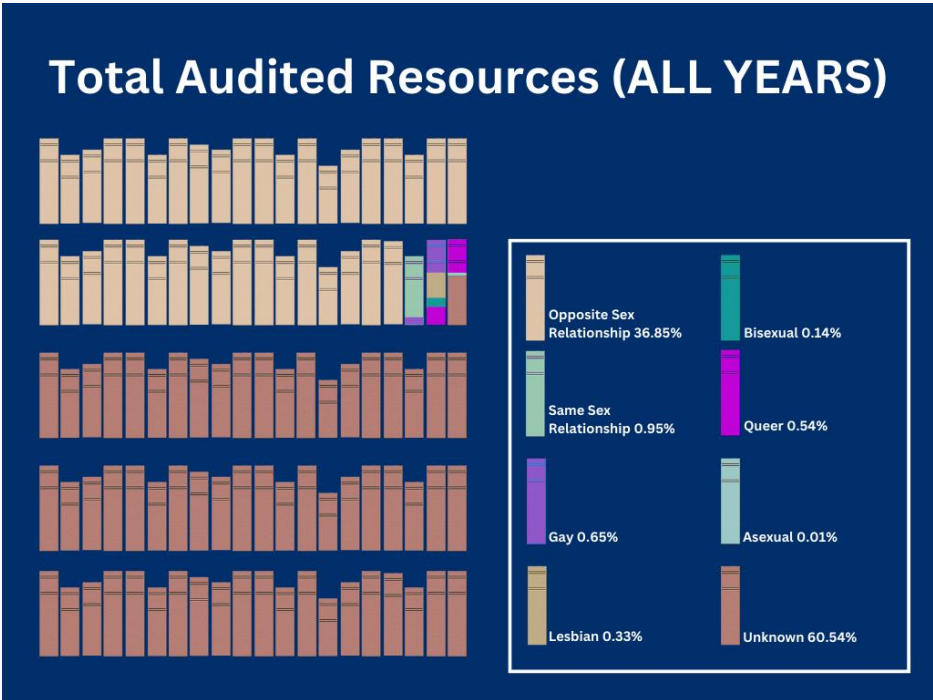


★ includes 0.19% of authors who self-identify as transgender

Sexuality of Authors Represented



... compared to ...



Sustainability

Maintain the high esprit de corps, morale, and health of the library team; set limits and priorities that ensure a manageable workload.

CELEBRATING A RETIREMENT

June 30, 2023, marked the retirement of long-time Tredway Library staff member Sherrie Herbst. Sherrie began working at Augustana on the day of the current library building's grand opening in 1990.

Sherrie is known among her Tredway colleagues and across campus for the excellent—and very fast—service she offers in interlibrary loan (ILL). In 2020, OCLC informed Tredway Library that **our interlibrary loan services were second fastest** out of 6000+ libraries in their system. Second wasn't good enough for Sherrie, who led her ILL colleagues in a race to be first. As a result, Tredway's average article delivery time decreased from four hours in 2020 to 55 minutes in 2023.



Sherrie Herbst at the college's retirement celebration, May 9, 2023.

We will miss your competitive spirit, Sherrie! Congratulations on your retirement.

FROM TEN MONTHS TO TWELVE

In 2022-23, Tredway Library was fortunate to shift three ten-month faculty librarian positions to twelve months. When a research and instruction librarian left Tredway to accept a job offer elsewhere, the library, with the support of the college provost, used the savings to create the year-round positions.

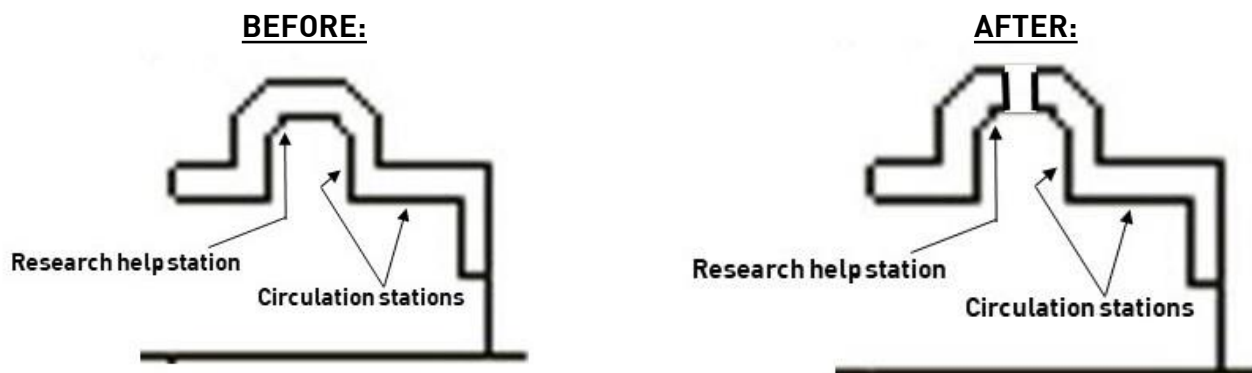
The three librarians whose positions were adjusted have increased salaries, as well as summer months to complete projects related to assessment, student engagement and outreach, collection development, and more.

Space

Utilize our library space in the Gerber Center for Student Life to be beautiful, functional, and flexible for an evolving college community.

REMODELING THE MAIN DESK

Tredway has had a combined circulation and research help desk since 2020, and in 2022-23 the library took a step forward in making the combined desk more accessible and friendly to research help interactions. We cut it in half!



The new front entryway:

- Allows research help providers and students to work side-by-side, looking at the same screen
- Allows research help providers to leave their station easily to assist students on the 2nd floor
- Creates an accessible entrance at the front of the desk
- Has swinging doors that can close when the research help station is not staffed



Circulation student assistant Colleen Cranston '25 (left) and research desk/circulation student assistant Feven Ferede '24 (right) at the remodeled desk.

ALL-GENDER RESTROOMS

Thanks to the leadership and planning of a college-wide working group, and at the request of many students over the years, Tredway Library became one of the first two locations on campus (along with Old Main) to offer multi-stall all-gender restrooms. The all-gender restrooms are located on Tredway's second floor, which—as the home of circulation, research help, leisure books, puzzles, arts and crafts, and many information literacy instruction sessions—is also by far our busiest.

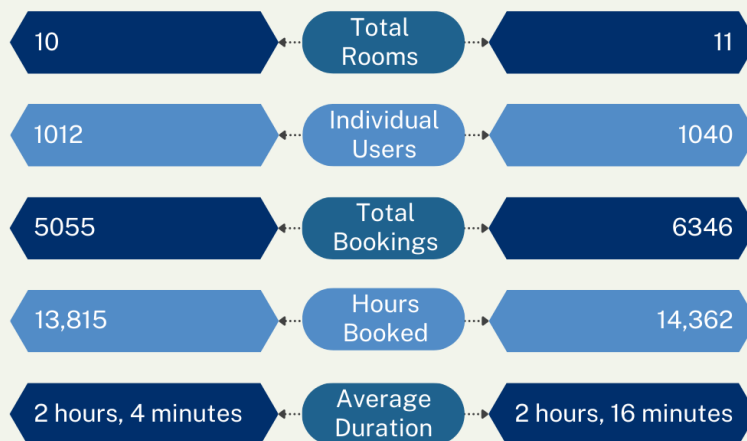
DISPLAYING STUDENT ART

In consultation with associate professor of art and graphic design Vickie Phipps, Tredway Library purchased rack-and-rail systems for the second floor to permit easy hanging and removal of works of art. The system will be used to display student artwork on a rotating basis. Recruitment of student artists is set to begin in earnest in the 2023-24 school year.



Work of Nhung Tran Nguyen '23 on display at Tredway.

Study Room Usage 2021-22 (left) vs. 2022-23 (Right)



STUDY ROOMS

Tredway Library's study rooms proved enduringly popular with our students in 2022-23. Usage increased in every category (left).

The library expects to bring a twelfth study room online in fall 2023.