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Key Dates

Revised library operating hours due to COVID 19

New Arrivals

The Library continues to add quality, relevant and exciting new resources to its collections.

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Message from Acting Pro Vice Chancellor (L&T) Professor Paul A. Iji

The Future of Digital
Library is Here!



hen I was relocating to Fiji in 2018, I was a bit apprehensive about the quality of the Internet that I would meet. I had been spoilt by one of the fastest broadband networks in Australia. Armidale, where I resided was fortunate to be the first town on the Australian mainland to be connected by the optic fibre network, in a deal that was secured by our local independent member of Parliament, in order for him to support Julia Gillard's minority government. I even had the luxury of living on the street on which Armidale's broadband development began because I lived near the university at the time. Our MP had secured the deal to ensure that his alma mater, the University of New England (UNE), got the best Internet connection in order to be able to deliver its online courses. That

University was one of the first to develop online delivery of courses in Australia and still relies on online students for survival.

I was pleasantly surprised when I arrived at FNU to find that the University did not only have a very good digital network but the library was undergoing a massive redevelopment to create the virtual experience for staff and students. Prior to my arrival in Fiji, I had not gone to the UNE library for more than a year because I could access it fully from my office and from anywhere in the world. So, I was thrilled to find that this was exactly what was been created at FNU. The Library Division has worked diligently to create that and today it has more ebooks than physical books and a huge electronic database for researchers to use. The elimination of a huge chunk of physical books enabled us to create wide spaces for reading and meeting, and anyone who has gone to the Koronivia Campus would have seen what a modern library should be, and this is how modern libraries look like overseas. Now that every campus has access to the online reserves, the plan is to redevelop the physical

The redevelopment of the Library at FNU could not have come at a better time. Like most universities, we were preparing for the future of education. The emergence of COVID-19 less than a year after the digitization was completed has thrust the future on us. The future is here. We are still living through the COVID-19 pandemic but everyone is almost certain that the world would no longer be the same even after this pandemic passes. The future has come to stay.

I am glad that the Library has reached its current level of preparedness before this crisis began. It is likely that FNU is in a position to deliver on the Library front in the digital era, to complement the other divisions that are responsible for delivering online teaching and learning. I commend the University Librarian and his staff for their foresight and efforts that they put into getting us digital-ready.

Open Access

ibrary is taking steps and signing the settlement to strengthen the transformation of massive-scale implementation of open get right of entry to scholarly journals to advantage the overall benefits of OA and permit an easy, fast and scholarly orientated transition. The present corpus of scholarly journals needs to be transformed from subscription to open access. The open access (https://oa2020. Org/) apprehend and advocate numerous strategies of implementing along with the improvement of recent OA publishing platforms, information and repositories. OA has acquired a large and increasing volume in scholarly magazine publishing. Most

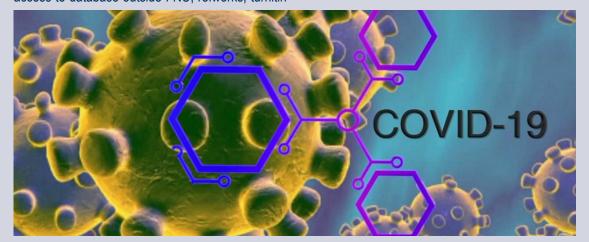
journals, however, are nonetheless based on the subscription business model with its inherent deficiencies in terms of access, fee-efficiency, transparency, and regulations of use.

With this assertion, FNU library is looking forward towards setting up an international initiative for the OA transformation of scholarly journals aiming to transform a majority of nowadays scholarly journals from subscription to OA publishing according with network-unique publication possibilities and continue to support new and improved methods of OA publishing.

Library Services during COVID 19

uring this pandemic, FNU library services is constantly updating information on its webpage as well as circulating information via FNUPR, social networking sites and is keeping in touch with all its users via all possible means. For queries on book renewals or returning materials, access to database outside FNU, refworks, turnitin

or other general services, visit our webpage https://www.fnu.ac.fj/library/ where reliable contact person information is available who are ready to assist you in best possible means. With this, FNU Library advises to stay safe and to follow the precautionary measures of COVID 19.



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