■ 2017 Young Scholars' Cultivation Workshop

The Young Scholars' Cultivation Workshop kicked off on July 24 and ended on August 11. The National Central Library (NCL) organized a camp especially for senior high school students, called the Young Scholars' Cultivation Workshop. The camp used competition and practical work to guide young scholars towards the academic research, increasing their familiarity with research resources and academic writing ability.

Professional library staff were invited to lecture for each of the courses. Students work together on a variety of group tasks in a relaxed, positive atmosphere. They discussed research questions; read and analyzed documents; learnt how to design, send out, and analyze questionnaires; and presented their research findings. The camp gives young students the opportunity to spend some time to experience a taste of academic research.



Deputy Director-General Ying-mei Wu (吳英美, front row, center) poses with all the students and NCL staff.



Students happily receive a certificate for completing the workshop.

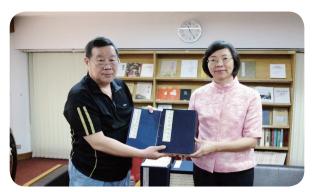
■ A Member of the Public Donates Books to the National Central Library

On July 31, 2017, Ru-heng Luo (羅汝珩) paid a visit to the library to donate some of his father Hsi-wen Luo's (羅喜聞) posthumous works. These included Textual Research on the Geography of 'Historical Events Retold as a Mirror to Aid in Government,' Territories of the Han Dynasty Commanderies, and A Comparison of Modern and Ancient Place Names in 'Historical Events Retold as a Mirror to Aid in Government.'



The donated books on display at the ceremony.

The National Central Library Director-General Shu-hsien Tseng (曾淑賢) presented Mr. Luo with a Certificate of Thanks on behalf of the library. Hsiwen Luo believed that in order to revitalize the nation, the population must first be better educated. He devoted his life to researching history and geography. The donated works build on the research of previous scholars while at the same time opening up a new geographical approach to researching Sima Guang's (司馬光) Historical Events Retold as a Mirror to Aid in Government (資治通鑑).



Ru-heng Luo (left) presents Textual Research on the Geography of 'Historical Events Retold as a Mirror to Aid in Government' and other books to the NCL.

■ The NCL Attends the ETD 2017 Symposium

At the invitation of the Networked Digital Library of Theses and Dissertations (NDLTD), Assistant Editor Ting-yu Wu (吳亭佑) and Assistant Editor Hung-Te Wang (王宏德) of the National Central Library (NCL) came to Washington, D.C., to attend the ETD 2017 Symposium from August 5-11. The NCL presented a joint paper with colleagues from the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK), entitled "The Development and Prospect of ETDs of Taiwan and Hong Kong: Case Study from National Central Library (NCL) of Taiwan and Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK)."



Colleagues from the NCL and CUHK present their joint research at the symposium.

The NCL will host ETD 2018, and so at the closing ceremony took the opportunity to publicize next year's symposium and extend an invitation to

attendees. After the conference, the NCL visited the Library of Congress digital collections project and storage program, for reference in establishing a southern branch and union archive center of the NCL.



Director of the NCL Bibliographic Information Center, Ching-fen Hsu (許靜芬, left), visits the U.S. National Archives, and on behalf of the NCL presents conservator Terry Boone (center) with a publication.

■ A Delegation of European Scholars Visits the NCL

The 2017 Taiwan Chinese Language and Literature Teacher Training and Study Program hosted by the National Chengchi University (政治大學) Chinese Language Study attracted a number of European scholars. A delegation of 11 of these scholars called in to the National Central Library (NCL) to visit Director-General Tseng on August 16.



Director-General Tseng exchanges views with the delegates.