for high school and vocational school students in Taiwan. Through group discussion and practical application, scholars and experts taught and shared their experiences and methods of conducting research, ways to search for resources, tips for generating research questions, guidance for writing scholarly papers, and hacks for creating online surveys. This was a strong introduction into the world of scholarly research for these high school students.

The NCL first held this camp in 2015, which was well-received by high school teachers, parents, and students. This year marks the fourth year of the camp and the first year it was also held in central and southern Taiwan. The camp ran from July 9-27, 2018 held respectively in the NCL (from July 9 to 13), Taichung Jingwu Library (from July 16 to 20), and Kaohsiung Main Public Library (from July 23 to 27).



Director-General Shu-hsien Tseng (center, front row) and attendees at Young Scholars Cultivation Camp.

NCL Holds a Ceremony Marking the Start of the 2018 Summer Internship Program

On July 3, 2018, a ceremony was held at the National Central Library (NCL) for Taiwan's Library and Information Science students marking the start of their summer internships. Participating in this year's four-week program, taking place from July 2-27, were 11 students from the Library and Information Sciences and Public Affairs Administration departments of four universities: National Taiwan University, Fu Jen University, Tamkang University, and National Taitung University.

Under the guidance of library staff, the interns studied different aspects of the library's technical, reader, and promotional services. The curriculum included the categorization techniques of books, audio-visual material and electronic resource; depositing publications; producing e-books; working with library collections; and circulation services. The course content was meticulously planned by the various library departments to ensure that interns gained rich practical experience.



Deputy Director-General Ying-mei Wu (center, front row), Prof. Yuan-ho Huang from Fu Jen University(right), and Head Li-chun Chen (left), together with library staff and interns.

The NCL Holds 2018 Basic Training in Library Information Organization Workshop

The National Central Library (NCL) and the Library Association of the Republic of China (Taiwan) co-hosted 2018 Basic Training in Library Information Organization Workshop on three Fridays from August 17-31, 2018, at NCL. The aim was to assist different fields in promoting information organization and to improve the quality and functionality of book services through this professional training event.

This workshop was attended by 47 professionals from libraries and information service organizations. Content included four core courses on information organization, namely "Introduction to Information Organization," "Application of Cataloging Resources," "Descriptive Cataloging," and "Topic Analysis." Instructors balanced theory and practical application in guiding attendees to master common tasks at archival institutions involving resource categorization and cataloging. Attendees were able to learn solid basic skills in information organization.



Deputy Director-General Ying-mei Wu (center, front row) and workshop participants.

The NCL and Trend Education Foundation Co-Host a Lecture Series: "How Did Dong-po Su Calm the Storm?"

To increase public awareness of Dong-po Su's works and philosophy of living, the National Central Library (NCL) and Trend Education Foundation cosponsored a special series of three lectures entitled "How Did Dong-po Su Calm the Storm?" The hosts invited Li-feng Chi, Chin-yu Hsieh, Chao Yang, and An-chi Wang to explore from literary, historical, and theatrical viewpoints how, despite experiencing ups and downs during his official career, Dong-po Su was able to find solace in his creative work.

The first lecture took place on July 7, 2018. Prof. Li-feng Chi and writer Chin-yu Hsieh spoke on the theme "Dong-po's Life of Optimism." On July 14, 2018, Hyper-convergence Foundation chairman Zhao Yang delivered the second lecture of the series, "Dong-po Su: At the Intersection of Politics and Literature." Prof. An-chi Wang of National Taiwan University's Department of Drama and Theater gave the third and final lecture in the series, which took place on July 21, 2018. The lecture was entitled "Unaffected by Wind, Rain or Shine: GuoGuang and Trend's Joint Production of Dong-po Su's 'Calming the Storm'." The lecture gave the audience an opportunity to get to know the GuoGuang Opera Company, while recreating Dongpo Su's life and poetry through traditional opera.



Director-General Shu-hsien Tseng (3rd right) poses with Prof. An-chi Wang (4th left) and CEO Yi-chen Chen (5th right) of Trend Education Foundation.

The NCL Attends 2018 IFLA Poster Session

IFLA's annual big event, the World Library and Information Congress (WLIC), was held on August