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EAST ASIA AUXILIARY, SPECIAL COLLECTIONS, ETC.



All serials finally consolidated into a single location by call number, the result of a major shifting project to enhance accessibility and preservation, September 2016

In 2004, the East Asia Library acquired the entirety of the University Libraries' auxiliary stacks in the basement of *Kane Hall*, increasing the East Asia Library's total shelving capacity by about a third. The new space was named the *East Asia Auxiliary Stacks*. It resolved (at least for a couple of decades) EAL's chronic space problem.

Paging services are available to retrieve books requested by users from the East Asia Auxiliary Stacks. Faculty and graduate students also have browsing access to the Auxiliary Stacks by appointment. All this has significantly improved user services and accessibility of the collections.

In 2016, East Asia Library completed a one-year project to reorganize the Auxiliary Stacks to allow EAL print periodicals to be shelved in one location and to create more shelving space for monographs. This was the most extensive shelving shifting to date at the East Asia Library.





The first staff meeting that took place in EAL Auxiliary after a major shifting of materials in 2010



Thanks to the Auxiliary Stacks, EAL was able to create a new *Special Collections Room* by renovating and converting some of its space in Gowen (the old West Stacks). More than 10,000 volumes of CJK special collections were transferred to the new EAL Special Collections Room for better preservation and protection of these rare and special items.

Besides the Auxiliary Stacks and the EAL Special Collections Room, the East Asia Library also holds some materials in a storage area (accessible to library staff only) in Smith Hall known as *Smith 9*. At present, these are primarily older backlog items

awaiting cataloging, older newspaper issues, duplicate books, and various other miscellany. Clean-up efforts over the years have improved organization, and projects like the recent CLIR Chinese Cataloging Project have helped shrink the backlog, cataloging items so they can be moved to the Auxiliary Stacks or the Special Collections Room.





