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Michael Levine-Clark

Michael Levine-Clark is the Associate Dean for Scholarly Communication and Collections Services at the University of Denver Libraries. He is responsible for overseeing collection development, acquisition, cataloging and metadata creation, open access and scholarly communication initiatives, e-resources management, and archives and special collections. Michael has been at the University since 1999, first as a reference librarian, and then as the collections librarian from 2003 to 2012. Prior to that, he was a government documents librarian at the University of Iowa.

Michael has been an active participant in experiments and discussions around e-book acquisition and use since the University of Denver's involvement in 1999 in a proto-demand-driven acquisition (DDA) program with netLibrary through the Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries. This experiment led to an interest in e-book acquisition models, and the publication of several articles on the use of e-books in academic libraries. Michael recently served as co-chair of the NISO working group on Recommended Practices for Demand-Driven Acquisition of Monographs and, with co-chair Barbara Kawecki, as principal author of the recommended practice document. He is currently immersed in a study of e-book usage, based on worldwide data from EBL and ebrary, and will be publishing a white paper in 2015.

Michael is very interested in the changing nature of academic libraries and collections and was honoured to be invited to contribute an article to the July 2014 special issue of *portal: Libraries and the Academy* on the future of academic libraries. The ensuing article allowed him to distill his thinking about the impact of DDA and e-resources on academic library collections.

As a frequent speaker on issues relating to content usage and acquisition, Michael is amazed that librarianship has taken him all over the world, with visits to nine countries so far (and hopefully many more to come). He enjoys meeting colleagues from other parts of the world and learning how libraries and cultures vary from place to place.

Michael has been active in the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services (ALCTS), where he is currently chair of the Collection Management Section (CMS), and in the Reference and User Services Association (RUSA), where he was chair of the Collection Development and Evaluation Section (CODES).

When not working, Michael enjoys photography, drinking good wine and beer, cooking, skiing, and travelling – all the better when he can do those things with his daughter Isabel and wife Marjorie.