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Biography of K.T. Lam

KT is the Associate University Librarian of the Hong Kong University of Science & Technology Library. He is responsible for developing and implementing a wide range of library services, especially in the realm of digital services. He oversees Library Systems, the Information & Learning Commons, Building & Facilities, and the University Archives & Special Collections.

Since joining HKUST in 1990 he has been responsible for HKUST Library's pioneering efforts in library technologies. Among the highlights: making HKUST's the first Integrated Library System with full Chinese, Japanese, Korean (CJK) capability in 1991 and providing expert knowledge to assist Innovative Interface in enhancing CJK support on their INNOPAC/Millennium system; in early 1990s working to make HKUST's the largest CD-ROM network with campus-wide access in Asia; in 2003 providing expertise in building HKUST's Institutional Repository, the first DSpace implementation in Asia; as well as in developing the Library's SmartCAT (the next-generation library catalog powered by Scriblio) in 2008 and its mobile capabilities in 2010. In recent years, he has provided leadership and direction for the Rare & Special e-Zone digitization project, the creation of the HKUST Scholarly Publications Database, and launching more mobile applications for the Library's website.

He received his BSc in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Hong Kong and his M.A. in Librarianship from Monash University. He gives frequent presentations on library and technology issues and innovations.