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CAPACITY BUILDING AND ICT SKILLS ACQUISITION OF LIBRARIANS' IN THE FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY IN MINNA IN CHANGING LANDSCAPE OF LIBRARY INFORMATION SERVICES

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Information and communication technology (ICT) has altered the world of libraries in such a way that tasks that were formerly completed manually are now automated. However, it has been noted that professional development in many aspects of the library and information profession tends to be more informal, mentored, or ongoing rather than formalized into the field of library and information science programs. Information and communication technologies are now used to define the work of library employees. No matter how well equipped, libraries still need staff who are highly competent in using information and communication technologies, if not, the information infrastructure will remain unused or underutilized if librarians do not build sufficient capacity and acquire the necessary skills to survive in the changing landscape of library and information services. Academic libraries were found to have the best information infrastructures compared to other types of libraries. However, the literature that is currently available indicates that the library and information services provided by Nigerian university libraries are not too good enough, which has been partially attributed to staff members' low participation in capacity building programs and their lack of ICT skills. Therefore, this study was designed to look at the impact of librarians' skill development and capacity building at the federal university of technology in Minna. The study will use the survey design method of research. A questionnaire would be administered on the 31 librarians and 75 paraprofessionals librarians employed by the federal university of technology in Minna. Descriptive statistics will be used to analyze quantitative data. The study's findings will lead to recommendations and conclusions.

Keywords

Capacity building, Information Communication Technology, Nigerian, Libraries and skill acquisition

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