ACRL Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship recipient named

Weijing Yuan, library technician and teaching assistant at the University of Toronto, is the 1993 recipient of the Association of College and Research Libraries Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship.

The award, $1,000 and a plaque donated by the Institute for Scientific Information, is given to a doctoral student in the field of academic librarianship whose research indicates originality, creativity and interest in scholarship.

Yuan received the award for her dissertation "Long-Term Monitoring of End-User Searching Behavior in Adapting to an Information Retrieval System." Her areas of special interest includes online information retrieval and human interaction with computerized information systems.

"End-user searching behavior studies are of enduring interest," said Roger Durbin, chair of the ACRL Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship Committee. "What makes Ms. Yuan's of considerable note is her focus on longitudinal adaptation to a system."

She has received a number of other awards including the University of Toronto Open Fellowships (1988-1992), the International Student Differential Fee Waiver Scholarships (1988-90) and the Scholarship for Studying Overseas from the National Education Commission of China (1987-88).
Yuan has a bachelor's degree in library science from Peking University, and a master's degree in library science from the University of Western Ontario.

The award will be presented on Monday, June 28, at the ACRL President's Program during the American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference in New Orleans.

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