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EDUCATION

M.L.I.S., Archives Concentration

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; 2019

M.A. English, Media, Cinema, & Digital Studies

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; 2018

B.A. Psychology & Religion, double majors, psychology & religion; 2012

Moravian College, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

Semester Abroad: Aberdeen, Scotland, religion, philosophy, film studies

University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen, Scotland, United Kingdom; Spring 2011

Summer Abroad: Jerusalem & Ramat Rahel, Israel, archaeology, history

Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel; Summer 2009

EXPERIENCE

Systems/E-Resources Librarian

Alverno College, Library, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; September 2019-Present

- Manage (activate, deactivate, investigate) e-resource portfolios.
 - Liaise with vendors about access, IPs, troubleshooting, billing, and title changes.
 - Activated over 200,000 ebooks and over 1,000 serial titles.
 - Accessioned 399 theses and dissertations into discrete digital collections.
 - Process all SWITCH Consortium resource sharing requests.
 - Earned Ex Libris Alma & Primo administrator certifications.
- Administer the Alverno College Library website www.alverno.edu/library.
- Administer Primo/TOPCAT catalogue homepage https://switch-am.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/discovery/search?vid=01SLCO_AM:Alverno.
- Provide daily, personalized research help and reference assistance online and virtually.

Evening Circulation Supervisor

DeSales University, Trexler Library, Center Valley, Pennsylvania; January 2014-October 2015

- Sole library staff member responsible for Trexler Library during late night hours.
- Trained and supervised 20-30 student employees in circulation and serials procedures.
- Managed check-ins, processing, shelving, and maintenance of all serial publications.
- Cataloged contents of ~1,100 new acquisitions in 22 months, >700 in my first year.
- Provided research instruction and reference support for undergraduates and graduates.
- Recorded, maintained, and analyzed all cataloguing and library usage/attendance statistics.

AWARDS & HONORS

UWM School of Information Studies' Student Research Day, 2nd Place Poster; 26 April 2019

Timothy L. Ericson Scholarship in Archival Studies; 2018-2019

UWM School of Information Studies' STAR Award; 2017-2019

UWM Chancellor's Graduate Student Award; 2017-2018

Eagle Scout, BSA; 2007

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Mapping the Prewar Apartment Home in Milwaukee, Wisconsin 1875-1939

- Society for Philosophy & Technology Conference, Texas A&M University; 22 May 2019
- UW-Milwaukee School of Information Studies' Student Research Day; awarded 2nd Place in Posters for a \$100 scholarship prize; 26 April 2019

RESEARCH PROJECTS

La Crosse, WI Bike Lanes & Trails

Planned, designed, and created <https://laxbikemap.github.io/map>; 2021-Present

Lehigh Valley, PA Bike Lanes & Trails

Planned, designed, and created <https://lvbiketrails.github.io/map>; 2021-Present

Mapping Milwaukee's Bike Lanes & Trails

Planned, designed, and created www.mappingmilwaukee.com; 2019-Present

- Mapped in QGIS, committed data to GitHub open repository, published online using GitHub .io Pages.

Mapping the Prewar Apartment Home in Milwaukee, Wisconsin 1875-1939

UW-Milwaukee English M.A. Project; 2018-Present

- arcg.is/1ezGee
 - First developed as a CONTENTdm digital collection with LCSH & DCMI metadata, then mapped in ArcGIS Online.
- Porting project into <https://mappingmilwaukee.github.io/MKE-apartments>
 - Mapped in QGIS.

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Summer 2018 for Dr. Joyce Latham, UWM School of Information Studies

“To Fine or Not to Fine: One Library’s Quest to Answer the Simple Question ‘Why Don’t People Return Their Library Books?’” Presented at the Wisconsin Library Association Conference, 23-26 October, 2018

Summer 2016 for Dr. Joyce Latham, UWM School of Information Studies

Latham, Joyce M, **"Oblique Politics: Julia Wright Merrill and the Public Library Extension Committee, 1925–1946,"** in *Libraries: Culture, History, and Society*, 3(1): 52-71, 2019.

INTERNSHIPS & FIELDWORK

Historic Photo Archives Digital Collection

Milwaukee Public Library, Frank P. Zeidler Humanities Room, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Summer 2019

- Digitized the photos for the subject heading Apartments--Wisconsin--Milwaukee with Epson Scan and Photoshop.
- Created metadata in Access and CONTENTdm with LCSH authorities.

User Services Division Intern

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Golda Meir Library, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; June 2016-Present

- Provide frontline, walk-up RUSA Tier 1 research help and reference assistance.
- Staff the Research Help/Ask-a-Librarian Desk and OCLC QuestionPoint virtual chat queue, providing personalized research instruction and reference services, at an R1 university library.
- Projects supporting Division of User Services: how-to documentations, updated library’s printed floorplans, photographed Learning Commons area for indoor Google Street View with 360° photospheres.

Research/Reference Intern

Moravian College, Reeves Library, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Summer 2015

- Provided personalized research help and reference assistance via in-person and telephone consultations.
- Recommended and demonstrated research strategies and techniques, electronic resource management, citation styles, bibliographies, and formatting.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

BikeLaneUprising.com

virtual; 2021–Present

- Compiled a database and created a corresponding webmap of all bike shops in North America.
- Used this database and map to visit Milwaukee-area bike shops to distribute BLU posters and stickers.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Key Production Assistant

Shooting Star Creativeworks L.L.C., Greater Philadelphia area, Pennsylvania; 2013-2014

- Performed historical/dramaturgical research for a feature-length, period, independent film production.
- Assisted in prop acquisition & set-dressing, cast & crew scheduling, and set construction.

MEMBERSHIPS

American Library Association – Wisconsin Library Association, 2019-2021

Society for Philosophy & Technology, 2019-2020

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Ex Libris Alma administrator certification, 2020

Ex Libris Primo administrator certification, 2020

UWM GIS Day, American Geographical Society Library; 2018

Neighborhood by the Numbers Finding Data Within Your Local Area, webinar, U.S. Census Bureau; 2018

RefWorks October Customer Webinar, ProQuest Marketing; 2018

User Services Summer Instruction Camp, UW-Milwaukee Libraries & Marquette University Libraries; 2016-2018

Preparing Future Faculty & Professionals, workshop series, UWM Graduate School; 2016-2017

UWM School of Information Studies' Information Policy & Pizza, presentation series; 2016-2017

LANGUAGES

HTML, basic to intermediate proficiency

Spanish, basic to intermediate proficiency

Latin, basic proficiency

French, novice proficiency