

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Haverford College Library

Haverford, PA

### Coordinator for Digital Scholarship & Services

2011-present

#### Leadership Roles

- Supervise one full-time librarian, and lead a collaborative team including librarians and student workers in developing and maintaining a sustainable and successful program to support digital scholarship
- Participate in long- and short-term strategic planning for the library
- Plan for and implement the technology necessary for the creation of digital scholarship: servers, software and applications supporting Drupal, Wordpress, Omeka with Neatline, Django, geoserver and solr and other technologies
- Help subject librarians gain skills to incorporate support for multi-modal scholarship into their practice while creating tools to make that incorporation more seamless
- Participate in Digit team to establish strategic priorities, workflows and practices for digitization across Haverford Libraries
- Contribute to conceptual plans for a major renovation of Haverford’s main library, including a new Digital Scholarship Commons

#### Project-based Work

- Serve as technical and project management lead on faculty digital scholarship projects, including defining the scope of projects, timelines, supervision of student developers, long term preservation support, grant writing, etc. See [laurieallen.org/projects](http://laurieallen.org/projects) for examples
  - Design and manage student internships designed to make new and creative uses of materials from the Quaker and Special Collections in the Libraries
- Consult and/or provide technical or project management support on ongoing projects

#### Program Planning

- Plan events, speakers, and outreach opportunities for the Haverford community related to Digital Scholarship
- Lead Digital Scholarship Fellows program (year-long fellowship program for sophomores interested in gaining skills and approaches in Digital Scholarship)

#### Course Consultation

- Consult with faculty members on incorporating digital approaches and technologies to assignments and syllabi
- Design and lead workshops on topics including: digital exhibits, tools for mapping, text encoding, digital collections building, advanced excel, survey software, anatomy of technology, and anatomy of information
- Hold office hours to support students engaged in digital scholarship work in their courses

#### Other Work

- Serve as first point of contact regarding all data management plans for inclusion in grant applications
- Serve as liaison to the Sociology and U.S. history departments, including collection development, instruction and research assistance
- Provide instructional and consultation support for students in the Bryn Mawr College Cities

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Program

## **Coordinator for Research, Instruction, and Outreach**

2008 - 2011

- Managed a team of 5 professional and 2 support staff who provided all reference, instruction and circulation services across three libraries to support scholarship, teaching and learning
- Served as liaison to the Sociology, and (briefly) English departments, including collection development, instruction and research assistance
- Coordinated long and short term building plans

### Select Haverford & Tri-College Project & Committee Work

- Convene and organize the Tri-College Libraries Digital Scholarship Team (9 library and IT staff from Bryn Mawr, Haverford, and Swarthmore Colleges)
- Tri-College Library Technology Advisory Group; Created and implement a five year strategic plan for technology across the Tri-College Libraries, providing oversight and leadership for various library technology committees
- Discovery Layer Team (Disco); Led a team of librarians from across the Trico in evaluating, selecting and implementing a new Discovery Layer for the Tri-College Libraries
- sTrike Force; participated in supporting ongoing improvements to discovery layer and prioritizing bug fixes and enhancements.

## **University of Pennsylvania Van Pelt Library**

Philadelphia,  
PA

### **Research & Instructional Services Librarian**

2002-2008

### **Social Sciences Data Services Librarian**

- Provided reference assistance at the reference desk, IM/chat, in one-on-one meetings, and in trainings and tours
- Served as public services liaison for Urban Studies, Criminology, and Women's Studies Programs
  - Built and maintained strong working relationships with faculty and students
  - Led user instruction for courses
  - Created online guides to assist users
- Acted as a pre-major advisor for undergraduates in the College of Arts & Sciences
  - Helped freshmen and sophomores in the College navigate the academic requirements and adjustments necessary to succeed at Penn
- Served as Social Sciences Data Services Librarian (2004-2008)
  - Assisted patrons in finding, selecting, and using appropriate data sources throughout the research process
  - Led workshops on Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Census data for graduate and undergraduate students across the University
  - Created guides for the use of GIS and data sources on the library's website

### Select Penn Project & Committee Work

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- Chair, PennTags Team: In collaboration with colleagues, led a team of librarians from across the University in designing the functionality, documentation, marketing, and other development of PennTags, a social bookmarking tool for use in academic environments. Led efforts to successfully incorporate the tool into teaching and learning at Penn
- Library Online Search Tool (LOST) Committee Member: Participated with a team of librarians in creating a new search tool for the library. Trained library staff in the use of metadata tools to expose library content to the new search tool
- Chair, Research Basics Team: Led a team of librarians in creating a website to help undergraduates learn the basics of library research

## ADDITIONAL LIBRARY EXPERIENCE

### Simmons College

Boston, MA

### GSLIS Library Assistant for Mt. Holyoke

2001-2002

- Provided reference services, instruction, and research assistance to students, faculty, and researchers in the field of Library and Information Science in Boston and at the newly established Mount Holyoke campus using electronic and in person delivery systems

### Interlibrary Loan Assistant

2000-2001

- Processed borrowing and lending requests ; created and designed new ILL website and forms; Increased functionality of Clio software program to improve ILL workflow

### Bard College

Annandale, NY

Student Worker, Circulation Assistant

1997-1999

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LEADERSHIP

**Formal training or certification in:** Project Management, TEI, XSLT, and Digital Preservation (see <http://www.laurieallen.org/learning> for details)

**Professional Memberships:** ALA, ACRL

### Professional Service

- MISO Team: Served on a team of 5 people who conduct and analyze a survey of Library and Computing Services across higher educational institutions. 2009 - 2010
- Planning Committee: Oberlin 17 Digital Library Conference. 2013, 2014
- Co-Chair, Planning committee: DLF-Liberal Arts College Pre-conference 2015

**Experience working in:** HTML, CSS, Javascript, XML (especially TEI), XSLT, Python, PHP, Unix, Apache, Nginx, goserver, Postgresql, Mysql, Jekyll, Drupal, Wordpress, Omeka

## SELECT PRESENTATIONS

“Lead, Follow, or Listen” UPCOMING at Digital Library Federation Liberal Arts College Pre-conference. Vancouver, British Columbia. October 25, 2015. With Katherine Rowe, Trevor Muñoz, Eric Luhrs, Angie Behringer, Kevin

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Butterfield, and Bethany Nowviskie.

“The Radical and the Incremental: Expanding the librarian's tool kit to prepare the undergraduate digital scholar/citizen” UPCOMING at Digital Library Federation Forum. Vancouver, British Columbia. October 26-28, 2015. With Barbara Rockenbach and Stewart Varner

“Archives, morphological analysis, & XML encoding: interdisciplinary methods in the creation of a digital text explorer for Colonial Zapotec manuscripts” UPCOMING at Humanidades Digitales Hispánicas. Madrid, Spain. October 5-7, 2015. With Professor Brook Lillehaugen

“Strategic Planning for Digital Scholarship.” Keystone Digital Humanities Conference. University of Pennsylvania. July 24, 2015. With Mike Zarafonetis

“Turning Library Records into Data: A Conversation & Workshop.” Library Company of Philadelphia. Philadelphia, PA. December 9, 2014. With Delphine Khanna, Doreva Belfiore, Nabil Kashyup, & Nicole Scalessa

“Collaboration Not Chaos.” Bucknell Digital Scholarship Conference. Bucknell University. November 15, 2014. With Mike Zarafonetis

“Panel Discussion: Doing Digital Scholarship.” ACRL/Delaware Valley Chapter Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA. November, 2014. With Monica Mercado, Nabil Kashyup, and Matt Shoemaker

Catastrophic Success: The Opportunities and Challenges of Digital Scholarship in the Liberal Arts.” Digital Library Federation Fall Forum, Atlanta, Georgia. October 27, 2014. With Jennifer Vinopal, Gina Siesing, Kelcy Shepherd, and Eric Luhrs

“Workshop: Digital Projects from the Ground Up.” Urban History Association October 10, 2014

“Digital Humanities: What Does It Really Mean for Libraries and Cultural Institutions?” Special Libraries Association. Vancouver, June, 2014. With Mitch Fraas and Matt Shoemaker.

Speaker. Digital Humanities for Liberal Arts Colleges Symposium. Smith College. Northampton, MA. June 13, 2013. With Professor Laura McGrane and Jen Rajchel

“Analyzing the MISO Data: Perspectives on Library and Computing Trends”. ARL Library Assessment Conference. Baltimore, MD. October 19, 2010. With MISO Team

“Reshaping Information Services for a Changing Faculty Population: Evidence and Insights from the MISO Survey.” 2009 EDUCAUSE Annual Conference. Denver, CO. Nov 5th, 2009. With MISO Team

“PennTags: Building a Social Tagging System in an Academic Library.” ACRL Annual Conference. Baltimore, MD. March 30, 2007. With Mike Winkler

“PennTags: Social Bookmarking in an Academic Environment.” Digital Library Federation Fall Forum. Boston, MA. November 8, 2006. With Mike Winkler

“PennTags: Creating and Using Social Bookmarking in a University Library.” 2006 EDUCAUSE Annual Conference. Dallas, TX. October 12, 2006. With Mike Winkler