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From the Grad Assistants:



Dr. Cindy Yu and GA Michael Oden at the SMSA/LISSA student groups table, Children's Book Festival, April 6-8, USM Thad Cochran Center.

Graduate Teaching Assistant Michael Oden (British Studies, 2015), a Graduate Student Senator and College Scholar, was selected to represent SLIS in the American Library Association "Student to Staff" program. As a participant in this program, he was a student worker at the ALA Annual Conference in Orlando, June 23 – 28, in return for lodging and conference fees.

Graduate Teaching Assistant Mary Dugan (British Studies, 2014) served as a grad assistant for the 2016 British Studies LIS class.



GA Carlie Burkett (on right) represented SLIS on a graduate student panel, "Student Perspectives on Open Access and Current Publishing Trends," USM 2016 Institutional Repository Day, Thad Cochran Center, April 29th.



SLIS graduate student Cindy Holderith manned the SLIS exhibit table at the Alaska Library Association Annual Conference, March 10-13, Fairbanks.

Congratulations SLIS Students

MLIS students Abby Mayfield and Charlayne Burkett were each awarded a \$1,869 Molline Mayfield Keyes Scholarship; dual History/MLIS major Stephanie Evans and MLIS student Rebecca Humbert each were awarded a \$1,000 H.W. Wilson scholarship; MLIS student Annie Watkins was awarded a \$500 SLIS Scholarship.

Olivia Potter was awarded the 2016 Anna M. Roberts Award for Scholarship, Service, and Professionalism, and Jessica Whipple awarded the Warren Tracy Award for Professionalism, Scholarship, and Service.

MLIS student Christina Broome is Branch Manager, Purvis Public Library.

MLIS student Bree Martin (British Studies, 2015) is Media Technician, Aurora Public Schools, Aurora, CO. MLIS student Jennifer Shellman was selected as the recipient of the 2016 Asian/Pacific American Librarian Association (APALA) \$500 Travel Award to attend the annual ALA Conference in Orlando, Fl.

Leslie Stauffer, who is earning a Graduate Certificate in Archives and Special Collections, is Research Editor for The Bettmann Archive, Iron Mountain, Boyers, PA.

History Ph.D. candidate/MLIS student Ryan Tickle awarded Southern California Chapter of the Antiquarian Booksellers' Association of America (ABAA) scholarship to attend the California Rare Book School course, *History of the African-American Book*; Ryan also awarded the Karen Gersten-Sternheim Memorial \$1500 Scholarship.

Congratulations SLIS Alums

Daniel Alcazar (MLIS, 2004) is Librarian, Los Alamos National Laboratory, NM.

Emilie Aplin (MLIS, Grad. Certificate in Archives and Special Collections, 2016) was awarded the Beta Phi Mu – Beta Psi Chapter \$400 scholarship.

Emily Arnold (MLIS, 2015) is Youth Librarian, Scott County Library System, Eldridge, IA.

Mary Rodgers Beal (MLIS, 2015; British Studies, 2015) is Readers Advisor, MS Library Commission, Jackson.

Becky Bickford (MLIS, 2015) is Information Services Librarian, South Georgia State College, Douglas, GA.

LaTrisha Blunt (MLIS 2016), Library Technician II, East Baton Rouge Parish Public Library, was the recipient of the EBSCO ALA Conference Sponsorship, which reimbursed expenses up to \$1,000 to attend the ALA Annual Conference in Orlando, June 23 – 28.

LaQuana Burks (MLIS 2016) is Children's Services Librarian, St. Tammany Parish Public Library, Covington, LA.

Candice Cloud (MLIS, 2015) is Project Archivist, East Texas Research Center, Nacogdoches, TX.



Melody Pittman Dale (MLIS, 2012), Assistant Professor/Serials Cataloger, Mississippi State Library, is Vice-Chair, North American Serials Interest Group (NASIG) Evaluation & Assessment Committee.

Hugh Donohoe (MLIS, 2012) is Regional Librarian, William Carey University, Hattiesburg, MS.

Sean Farrell (MLIS, 1985) is Director, Library of Hattiesburg, Petal, & Forrest County, MS.

Joy Garretson (MLIS, 2014) is Library Development Director, Mississippi Library Commission, Jackson.

Jessica Hartley (MLIS, 2010) is Director, Poquoson Public Library, Poquoson, VA.

Janelle Hernandez (MLIS, 2007) is Head Librarian, Montgomery Academy, Montgomery, AL.

Jessica Herr (MLIS, 2011) is History Office Coordinator, NASA Stennis Space Center.

Nathan Howe (MLIS, 2014) is Reference Librarian, Hinds Community College, Raymond, MS.

Nikki Hyatt (MLIS, 2014) is Teen Specialist Librarian, Cordelia Public Library, Fairfield, CA.

Sharon Kelleher (MLIS, 2011) is Director, Flint Memorial Library, North Reading, MA.



Jesse Kelly (MLIS 2009) is Adult Services Librarian, Williamsburg Regional Library, Williamsburg, VA. Lana Lozure (MLIS, 2010), is Librarian, Aikin Elementary School, Dallas, TX.

Erica McCaleb (MLIS, Graduate Certificate in Youth Services and Literature, 2015) is Countywide Services Coordinator, Pinellas Public Library Cooperative, Clearwater, FL.

Eden Nitcher (MLIS, 2014) is Circulation and Reference Librarian, West Florida Public Libraries.

Ashley Roach-Freiman (MLIS, 2008) is Instruction and Reference Librarian, University of Memphis, TN.



Ellen Hunter Ruffin (MLIS, 1998), Curator, de Grummond Children's Literature Collection, received Excellence in Librarianship Award by Provost Moser at USM Faculty Awards Day, May 6, 2016.

Maria Schroeter (MLIS, Graduate Certificate in Archives and Special Collections, 2015) is Reference Librarian, Nesmith Library, Windham, NH.

Adam Singletary (MLIS, 2015) is Associate Director, Library of Hattiesburg, Petal, and Forrest County, MS.

Colleen Smith (MLIS, 2015) is Branch Manager, Lochwood Public Library, Dallas, and accepted into the University of Texas Humanities MA/PhD program.

Katrina Stokes (MLIS 2010) is Director, Warren County-Vicksburg Public Library.

Ashley White Teagle (MLIS, 2011), is Branch Manager I, Charles County Public Library, Waldorf, MD.

Erin Waller (MLIS, 2006) is Director, Daviess County Public Library, Owensboro, KY.

Deborah White (MLIS, 2008) is Youth Services Librarian, Library of Hattiesburg, Petal, and Forrest County. Jamie Wilson (MLIS, 2003) is Acquisitions Librarian, Millsaps College, Jackson, MS.

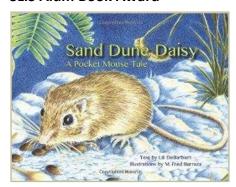
Melissa Wright, Ph.D. (MLIS, 2000) is Public Services Librarian, NW Community College Library, Senatobia.

Callie Wiygul Branstiter (MLIS, Graduate Certificate in Archives and Special Collections, 2014) is Undergraduate Engagement Librarian, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.



Stephen Parks, J.D. (MLIS, 2013) sworn in as State Librarian by Mississippi Lt. Gov. Tate Reeves, Jan. 8 (Photo by Chris Todd)

SLIS Alum Book Award



Lili DeBarbieri's (MLIS, 2013) children's book Sand Dune Daisy (2015) is a National Science Teachers Recommended book.

LIS Student Research, Spring 2016

Since the School of Library and Information Science attracts graduates from many other academic fields, and offers dual master's degrees with history, political science, anthropology, and instructional technology, many students show an active interest in original research.

In fact, the MLIS program at Southern Miss is one of few accredited library and information science programs in the U.S. that require the design, proposal and completion of an original research project. As a result, many SLIS graduates have published original research in peer-reviewed or professional journals, or have presented their research at academic and professional conferences.

SLIS is proud to report several student accomplishments in research and scholarship this term. Two undergraduate LIS students presented research in the *Undergraduate Symposium on* Research and Creative Activity 2016, April 29-30, Scianna Hall; three graduate students presented research in the annual Susan A. Siltanen Graduate Student Research Symposium, March 24, Thad Cochran Center. Both events were competitive; at the graduate symposium Emilie Aplin's research poster placed second in her category. At the undergraduate symposium, Alex Brower and Armendia Hulsey both placed second in their categories; Armendia Hulsey also received the Jack Lucas Award from the Dale Center for the Study of War and Society. Below is more information about each student and their work. We congratulate these students for their participation.

- Matthew Griffis, Assistant Professor, SLIS

Susan Siltanen Grad Student Research Symposium March 24 2016, USM Thad Cochran Center



Emilie Aplin, "Information Regulation and Access in Prison Libraries: A Survey of Onsite Library Resources" Category: Research Posters (2nd Place) College of Education and Psychology



Kyle Ethridge, "#critlib: A Content Analysis of the Critical Librarianship Discourse on Tumblr" Category: Research Posters College of Education and Psychology



Jennifer Johnson, "Research Data Curation Practices at Southern Miss."

Category: Research Posters
College of Education and Psychology.

Jennifer Johnson spoke more about her research on data curation at USM Institutional Repository Day, April 29, Thad Cochran Center.

http://aquila.usm.edu/irday/2016/

For more information about the Susan A. Siltanen Graduate Student Research Symposium, see: https://www.usm.edu/graduate-school/susan-siltanen-graduate-student-research-symposium

USM Undergraduate Symposium on Research and Creative Activity 2016

April 29-30, USM Scianna Hall

Armendia Hulsey, "A Haven of Rest: Temporary Asylum and Families in the Jefferson Davis Soldiers' Home." Category: Research Posters/Local or Regional (2nd Place)



Alex Brower, "Gender Stereotypes in Four Newbery Award Winners" based on her Honors College thesis mentored by Dr. Stacy Creel Category: Research Posters/Gender Studies (2nd Place)

For more information about the Undergraduate Symposium on Research and Creative Activity 2016, see: https://www.usm.edu/research/undergraduate-symposium-research-and-creative-activity

Faculty Research and Scholarship

Dr. Catharine Bomhold was awarded the 2016 Peggy Jean Conner Research Award by the USM Committee on Services and Resources for Women.

Dr. Bomhold, through the Council on Community Literacy and Reading, which she serves as Director, distributed more than 2,000 new books in the past year through parade floats, HubFest booth, and other community outreach activities.

Dr. Bomhold and Dr. Creel served as judges for the Regional Reading Fair, March 10th, Hattiesburg Convention Center.

Dr. Stacy Creel chaired the Miss. National Library Week 2016 initiative and presented Magnolia Book Awards at the 2016 Children's Book Festival in April:

- K-12: The Princess and the Presents by Caryl Hart; Runner-up: What to Do When You're Sent to Your Room by Ann Stott
- 3-5 Winner: Wolf by Valerie Hobbs; Runner-up: Hot Dog! Eleanor Roosevelt throws a Picnic by Leslie Kimmelman
- 6-8 Winner: Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's
 Library by Chris Grabenstein; Runner-up: The
 Fourteenth Goldfish by Jennifer L. Holm
- 9-12 Winner: *We Were Liars* by E. Lockhart; Runner-up: *All the Truth that's In Me* by J.Berry



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Dr. Matthew Griffis was a featured speaker at Emporia State University's National Library Week, April 14th. His paper, "Town and Gown: Celebrating the Carnegie Libraries of Emporia, Kansas," explored the history of the town's two Carnegie libraries: the Anderson Memorial Library of the former College of Emporia, and the Emporia Public Carnegie Library, which served Emporia residents for almost 70 years.

Dr. Matthew Griffis was awarded Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian grant, \$82,251, for "The Roots of Community: Segregated Carnegie Libraries as Spaces for Learning and Community Making in Pre-Civil Rights America." In June, he presented a juried research paper at ALA Annual Conference, Orlando, based on OCLC-funded research on roving reference.

Qualitative and Quantitative Methods in Libraries 8th International Conference, 24-27 May, London

Four SLIS students and recent alums presented at the QQML 2016 Conference, Senate House, London.



Janine Whitecotten Smith (MLIS 2016) research project paper, "Web Content and Digitization Patterns of Tribal College Libraries within the Great Plains Region"



Kayla Warner (British Studies 2014) British Studies research paper, "For King and Country: An Analysis of Propaganda in WWII Exhibitions"

Dr. Teresa Welsh introducing Lars Bjornshauge, DOAJ Managing Director, for his presentation, "Making Open the Default in Scholarly Communication and the Implications for the Future of Libraries" ->



Erin Doerner (British Studies 2015) British Studies research paper, "British Women, WWII, and the Women's Library, London School of Economics and Political Science"



Mary Dugan poster based on British Studies LIS class research paper on U.K. sites and collections related to Harry Potter

