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### Current Position

*Digital Conservator*, Yale University Library  
CLIR Postdoctoral Fellow in Data Curation for the Sciences and Social Sciences

### Areas of Specialization

Linked Open Data • Digital Preservation • Cultural Heritage Metadata • Wikidata

### Education

- 2016 PhD **Information Science**, University of Washington  
*Dissertation Advisor*: Allyson Carlyle  
*Dissertation Title*: Powerful Structure:  
Inspecting Infrastructures of Information Organization in Wikimedia Foundation Projects
- 2011 MS **Information Science**, University of Washington
- 2008 MA **Asian Languages and Literature** (Chinese Linguistics), University of Washington
- 2002 BA *summa cum laude* **International Studies**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

### Honors and Awards

- 2016-2018 CLIR Postdoctoral Fellowship
- 2006 Vietnamese Advanced Studies Institute Fellowship
- 2005-2006 Foreign Languages Area Studies Fellowship (Chinese)

### Publications

- 2014 Lee, Jin Ha, Karlova, Natascha, Clarke, Rachel, **Thornton, Katherine**, and Petri, Andrew. (2014). "[Facet analysis of video game genres](#)". Proceedings of the 2014 iConference
- 2012 **Thornton, Katherine**. (2012). "Contentious Categories: Designing the Category System"