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Education

Master of Library and Information Science, 1997

College of Library and Information Science, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC

Bachelor of Arts, 1993

University of Georgia, Athens, GA

Experience

Clinical Information Librarian (Librarian III) 2016 –

AU/UGA Medical Partnership, Athens, GA

- Attend Morning Report, Journal Club and Academic Half-Day, selecting and disseminating relevant supporting material for each
- Round with clinicians and residents at the hospital, answering clinical questions and selecting background material for cases.
- Work with residents and faculty to conduct literature searches in support of scholarly activity.
- Attend the Community Internal Medicine outpatient clinic, answering clinical questions and selecting supporting material for cases.
- Teach sessions to residents on topics relating to evidence-based resources and methods.

Copyright and Electronic Resources Officer (Associate Professor) 2008 – 2015

St. George's University, Grenada, W.I.

- Educated faculty, staff and students about copyright principles and procedures and developed campus-wide policies for the legal use of copyrighted material in instruction.
- Assisted faculty with copyright permissions and takedown notices.
- As adjunct faculty in the Bioethics department, facilitated small groups for Year 1 medical students.
- Provided library instruction to a broad array of other audiences, including medical, veterinary and undergraduate students.
- Served as implementation lead for the library's new ILS and was responsible for day-to-day system maintenance.
- Developed two elective courses: "Biomedical Informatics" and "Improvisation for Communication Skills".

Digital Consultant / Program Director, Digital Solutions 2005 – 2008
NELINET, Southborough, MA

- Developed and taught courses on a wide variety of topics that addressed the interface between technology and librarianship, including CSS, MySQL, and many aspects of digital collections.
- Served as an information resource for member libraries considering new digital projects.
- Developed suite of in-house data-mining tools to examine event registration data and implemented an OAI-PMH metadata harvester and other applications for member experimentation.

Education and Electronic Resources Librarian 2003 – 2005
New England College of Optometry Library, Boston, MA

- Managed active bibliographic instruction program, including both teaching and course design.
- Assisted students, faculty and staff with all issues involving access to online resources.
- Developed a variety of web-based applications, including journal displays and "Quick search" of multiple databases.
- Redesigned library website and continually maintained and developed the library's web presence.

Systems Librarian (Assistant Professor) 1998 – 2002
University of South Carolina School of Medicine Library, Columbia, SC

- Administered library's servers and local workstations and selected hardware and software for library use.
- Resolved technical issues related to both local and remote resources.
- Participated in the migration to a new Integrated Library System and developed local pages for the web-based OPAC.
- Implemented proxy server solution for off-campus access to library resources.
- Managed library's Innovative Interfaces ILS.
- Assisted with collection development.

Assistant Technical Services / Reference Librarian 1997 – 1998
Edens Library - Columbia College, Columbia, SC

- Taught bibliographic instruction classes and provided extensive individual instruction.
- Assisted in the day-to-day functioning of Technical Services, concentrating on the reclassification of the library's remaining Dewey holdings into Library of Congress Classification.
- Provided reference assistance to patrons.
- Redesigned the library web site.
- Assisted with collection development in the areas of theater, business and the physical sciences.

Graduate Assistant 1995 – 1997
University of South Carolina School of Medicine Library, Columbia, SC

Archival Assistant 1996

Office of James Dickey (author), Columbia, SC

University Service

UGA Libraries, Committee on Faculty Organization and Governance 2016

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SGU Institutional Review Board 2010 – 2011

SGU Committee for Technology, Teaching and Learning 2009 – 2015

SGU Library Panel 2008 – 2015

Admissions Committee, USC School of Medicine 1999 – 2002

Credentials and Professional Memberships

Academy of Health Information Professionals 2017 –

Medical Library Association 2010 –

MAHSLIN Board 2005 – 2008

Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association 2000 – 2002

Scholarly Activity

Sperr, E. (2017). Search Workbench. <http://searchworkbench.info/>

Sperr E. Visualizing PubMed: Displaying Search Results by Topic, Region, and Time. Presented at: Medical Library Association 117th Annual Meeting and Exhibition; 2017 May; Seattle, WA. Available from <http://hdl.handle.net/10724/36987>

Sperr E. Building information visualizations with PubMed. Presented at: Code4Lib Southeast; 2017 Apr; Atlanta, GA. Available from <http://hdl.handle.net/10724/36962>

Sperr, E. (2016). MeSH Subheading Graph. <https://github.com/esperr/mesh-subhead-graph>

Sperr, E. (2016). MeSH Category Graph. <https://github.com/esperr/mesh-cat-graph>

Sperr, E. (2016). Mapping MEDLINE. <https://github.com/esperr/mapping-medline>

Sperr, E. (2016). PubMed by Year. <http://esperr.github.io/pubmed-by-year/>

Sperr, E. (2016). Newsinproportion. <https://github.com/esperr/newsinproportion>

Sperr, E. (2015). PubVenn. <http://pubvenn.appspot.com>

Sperr, E. Critical Synthesis Package: University of Michigan Search Assessment Tool for Ovid Medline (UMMSA). MedEdPORTAL; 2014. Available from: www.mededportal.org/publication/9801

Searching and Management of Scientific Literature. Seminar presented by **Ed Sperr** at: Universidade Estadual Paulista; 2010 Feb; Araraquara, Brazil.

Sperr E. Libraries and the future of scholarly communication. Molecular Cancer 2006 Nov 7;5:58 Available from <http://www.molecular-cancer.com/content/5/1/58>

Sperr E. Academic Distribution of PubMed Citations: Implications for Institutional Repositories. Poster presented at: ACRL/NY Symposium "Scholarly Communication: Evolution or Revolution?"; 2004 Dec; New York, NY.

Kane L., Gable S., Jenkinson V. and **Sperr E.** Flip-Floppin' – Surviving a Medical Library Renovation. Poster presented at: Medical Library Association/ Southern Chapter Annual Meeting; 2000 Oct; Mobile, AL.

"Proprietary sites and licensing Issues" presented by **Ed Sperr** for the teleconference: "New Health Care Technologies and Practices: Their Impact on Health Information Services". Done as part of the Bringing Effective Skills and Technology Together (BESTT) grant in conjunction with the Western Maryland AHEC. 2001 Jun; Columbia, SC.

Continuing Education

Supporting Clinical Care: An Institute in Evidence-based Practice for Medical Librarians (Denver, CO 2016)

Intellectual Property in Academia Online Workshop Series (2008 UMUC Center for Intellectual Property)