

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LIBRARIES

PHILADELPHIA, PA

DIRECTOR FOR DIGITAL SCHOLARSHIP

2016-PRESENT

- Developed a plan for a new department, hired staff, and created policies and workflows to support successful growth of the Digital Scholarship department, responsible for working with faculty and students to create and share scholarship in new forms.
- Participated in created systems to support technical infrastructure, project support, sustainable program growth, consultations and course support.
- Lead a Digital Scholarship department of eight librarians in:
 - Digital Humanities
 - Data Curation & Management
 - Scholarly Communications & Publishing
 - Mapping & Geospatial Data
 - Judaica DH Projects
 - Public & Community Data Curation

HAVERFORD COLLEGE LIBRARY

HAVERFORD, PA

COORDINATOR FOR DIGITAL SCHOLARSHIP & SERVICES

2011-2016

- Developed a sustainable, fully staffed and successful program to support digital scholarship, including staffing, planning, workflow and technical aspects.
- Created and led Digital Scholarship Fellows program (year-long fellowship program for sophomores interested in gaining skills and approaches in Digital Scholarship)
- Participated in strategic planning for the library as part of the library management team, and contributed to planning for a major renovation of Haverford's main library, including a new Digital Scholarship Commons
- Designed and manage student internships for making new and creative uses of materials from the Quaker and Special Collections in the Libraries
- Participated in a team that established strategic priorities, workflows and practices for digitization across Haverford Libraries
- Served as first point of contact regarding all data management plans for inclusion in grant applications

COORDINATOR FOR RESEARCH, INSTRUCTION, AND OUTREACH

2008 - 2011

- Managed a team of 7 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 across three library buildings

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
- 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

PROJECTS & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

MONUMENT LAB

Working with Paul Farber, Ken Lum, and others, serve as Research Director for Monument Lab, and for the 2015 and 2017 exhibitions, funded by Pew Center for Arts & Culture, William Penn Foundation and others. Developed and implemented public engagement and research system for citywide exhibition.
www.monumentlab.com.

2014-PRESENT

DATA REFUGE

Together with Professor Bethany Wiggin, Margaret Janz, Patricia Kim and graduate students in the Penn Program in Environmental Humanities, I co-founded Data Refuge, an international effort to safeguard federal environmental and climate data.

2016-PRESENT

COLLECTIONS AS DATA

In collaboration with PI Thomas Padilla and other colleagues led two grant funded projects to explore practices of Libraries, Museums and Archives in approaching collections as data.

IMLS National Forum Grant entitled "Collections as Data – Always Already Computational." <https://collectionsasdata.github.io> 2016 – 2019

2015- PRESENT

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation funded project entitled "Collections as Data: Part to Whole." <https://collectionsasdata.github.io/part2whole/> 2018-2021

FELLOWSHIP FOR DIGITAL AND INCLUSIVE EXCELLENCE, ASSOCIATION OF
RESEARCH LIBRARIES

Advisory board member on National ARL project to provide fellowships for
undergraduate students from marginalized communities as they consider careers in
librarianship and archives. 2017-PRESENT

CHRONICLING RESISTANCE, PACSCL

Thinking partner, advisory team member on Pew-Funded grant to explore ways that
Special Collections Libraries can support contemporary resistance movements in the
Philadelphia Area. 2018-PRESENT

PAST PROJECTS

Advisory board member, Digits.pub Mellon grant-funded project, 2018

Co-Chair, Planning committee: DLF-Liberal Arts College Pre-conference 2015

Planning Committee: Oberlin 17 Digital Library Conference. 2013, 2014

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

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

FORMAL TRAINING OR CERTIFICATION IN:

Project Management, TEI, XSLT, and Digital Preservation

AWARDS:

ALA Movers & Shakers, 2018. SPARC Innovators award (with Data Refuge Team)

EXPERIENCE WORKING IN:

HTML, CSS, Javascript, XML (especially TEI), XSLT, Python, PHP, Unix, Apache, Nginx, goser, server,
Postgresql, Mysql, Jekyll, Drupal, Wordpress, Omeka

SELECT PRESENTATIONS

"Collections As Data: Digital Collections for Emerging Research Methods" **Closing Keynote at Darjah Beyond Europe**. Library of Congress. October 4, 2018. <https://dbe.hypotheses.org/workshops/library-of-congress/keynotes>. With Stewart Varner.

"What We Aren't the Only Guerrillas Out There?". **Radical Open Access II**. Coventry University. Coventry, England. June, 2018. Publication available at <https://hcommons.org/deposits/item/hc:19825>

"Open Data, Data Rescue, and Risk." **Invited Talk at Open Access Week** at Columbia University. New York. October 25, 2018. <https://library.columbia.edu/services/digital-scholarship/open-access-week-2018.html>

"Collections as Data: Cultural Heritage designed for computation?" **Invited talk** at Columbia University Libraries. New York, New York. March 29, 2018

"Working out of scope: From Evidence to Scholarship" **Invited Keynote**. Reed College. Portland, OR. March 15, 2018 (<http://www.reed.edu/e2s/conference/index.html>)

Data Rescue Party. NICAR 2018 (<https://www.ire.org/events-and-training/event/3189/3589/>) **NICAR 2018**. Investigative Reporters and Editors Computer Assisted Research Conference. March 11, 2018. Chicago, IL. With Charles Minshew

"Conversation: Cultural heritage data? Computational use, needs, and opportunities." <https://www.ire.org/events-and-training/event/3189/3728/>. **NICAR 2018**. Investigative Reporters and Editors Computer Assisted Research Conference. March 10, 2018. Chicago, IL. With Thomas Padilla

Always Already Computational: Collections as Data. (<https://www.cni.org/topics/digital-curation/always-already-computational-collections-as-data>) **CNI Fall Meeting**. December 10, 2017. Washington, DC. With Thomas Padilla and Hannah Frost.

"Collections as Data Workshop." (<https://forum2017.diglib.org/collections-data-workshop/>) **Digital Library Federation Forum**. Pittsburgh, PA October 25, 2017. With Thomas Padilla, Elizabeth Russey-Roke, Stewart Varner, Hannah Frost, and Sarah Potvin.

"Gatherings of Pages: Saving Federal Scientific Data." **Invited Lecture at Rare Book School**. University of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia PA. July 25, 2017. (<https://rarebookschool.org/all-programs/lectures/allen-federal-data/>)

"New Kinds of Collections: New Kinds of Collaborations." **American Libraries Association Annual Meeting**. June 24, 2017. Chicago, IL. (<https://www.eventscribe.com/2017/ALA-Annual/fsPopup.asp?Mode=presInfo&PresentationID=257851>)

"Save the Data: The Role of Librarians in #datarescue Collaborations" **ACRL/SPARC Forum, American Libraries Association**. June 24, 2017. Chicago, IL. (<https://www.eventscribe.com/2017/ALA-Annual/fsPopup.asp?Mode=presInfo&PresentationID=265969>)

"Data Communities, contexts and institutions" **Invited Keynote. csvconf**. Portland, OR May 3, 2017. (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V2gwi0CRYto>)

"Monument Lab: Cultural Memory and Artistic Imagination as Open Civic Data" **Digital Dialogue Series** at Maryland Institute for Technology in the Humanities. University of Maryland. College Park, MD. March 13, 2018. (<http://mith.umd.edu/dialogues/dd-spring-2018-laurie-allen/>)

"The Data Refuge Project" **Coalition for Advanced Scientific Computation (CASC)** Spring Meeting. <https://casc.site-ym.com/page/S17Agenda>. March 27, 2017

"Lead, Follow, or Listen" **Digital Library Federation** Liberal Arts College Pre-conference. Vancouver, British Columbia. October 25, 2015. With Katherine Rowe, Trevor Muñoz, Eric Luhrs, Angie Behringer, Kevin Butterfield, and Bethany Nowviskie.

"The Radical and the Incremental: Expanding the librarian's tool kit to prepare the undergraduate digital scholar/citizen" **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" **Humanidades Digitales Hispánicas**. Madrid, Spain. October 5-7, 2015. With Professor Brook Lillehaugen

"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. (<http://dsconf.blogs.bucknell.edu/schedule/>) November 15, 2014. With Mike Zarafonetis

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

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