

# YESENIA ROMÁN

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## Summary

I am a creative, resourceful, and bilingual librarian with over seven years of experience in reference, data acquisition, and cataloging services at large research institutions, and most recently at a public library. I enjoy helping people conduct research, learn, and make discoveries.

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## Education

May 2015

### **M.S. in Library and Information Sciences**

Data Curation specialization  
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

May 2012

### **B.A. in Mesoamerican and Caribbean Anthropology**

University of Puerto Rico, San Juan

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## Professional experience

June 2022 - Present

### **General Services Librarian, Part-time Inglewood Public Library, Main Library, Inglewood, CA.**

- Provide reference services and technological assistance for patrons of all ages.
- Develop and lead community programming to engage and educate the public.
- Curate book displays to showcase the collection.
- Design promotional materials for programs, events, and social media.

April 2021- Aug. 2021

### **Research Librarian Prof. Curtis Deutsch Computational Laboratory, University of Washington (Remote, contract-based)**

- Conducted a systematic literature review in Proquest and Web of Science for laboratory measurements of marine species thermal growth curves.
- Created a database of measurements extracted from published articles, tables, and figures.
- Organized citations and sources on Zotero shared library.

## Professional experience cont.

Jan. 2019 - Oct. 2020

### **Research Librarian II (Data Services Specialist II)** **Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation, Seattle, WA**

- Provided reference services for six-plus research teams, including assistance with research questions, library materials, resources, catalogs, and other library tools.
- Data acquisition for six-plus research teams, leading to authorship in a peer-reviewed scientific article.
- Acquired and cataloged hundreds of data sources in different languages and formats.
- Advised and taught researchers best practices of data management and seeking.
- Established relationships with global vendors, researchers, and data providers in English and Spanish, leading to long-lasting data sharing and research collaborations between diverse organizations.

Jan. 2017 - Jan. 2019

### **Research Librarian I (Data Services Specialist I)** **Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation, Seattle, WA**

- Managed the Institute's Help Desk, including supervising task delegation and resource allocation for 6 librarians
- Provided reference services for six-plus research teams, including assistance with research questions, library materials, resources, catalogs, and other library tools.
- Data acquisition for three annual studies by six-plus research teams, leading to my authorship in five peer-reviewed scientific articles.

Dec. 2015 - Jan. 2017

### **Data Curator** **Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation, Seattle, WA**

- Dataset archiving in multiple formats and languages for an online public access catalog (GHDx) to ensure user agreement compliance.
- Managed Institute's catalog journal taxonomy by performing monthly reviews, additions, and merges.
- Biannual data source updates.

Nov. 2015 - Dec. 2015

### **Digital Content Curator** **Market.Space Inc, (Remote)**

- Reviewed and created metadata for news articles on travel, venture capital, and gaming to train a machine-learning algorithm.
- Documented observations for taxonomy development and review.

## Professional experience cont.

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Jun. 2015 - Aug. 2015

### UX Research Assistant

**Library of Congress: Office of Strategic Initiatives, Washington DC.**

- Created metadata (Dublin Core) for library records to facilitate discovery by identifying trigger terms from popular searches in the loc.gov catalog.
- Assisted the main information architect for congress.gov to revamp, schedule and conduct user interviews.

Aug. 2013 – May 2015

### Graduate Assistant

**University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL**

- Assisted library patrons in accessing and discovering information via email, phone, chat, and in person.
- Oversaw reference collection development projects.
- Developed research subject guides in the Social Sciences and Education disciplines.
- Created content for the unit's website using Dreamweaver and OpenCMS.
- Supervised student assistants.

March 2013 - July 2013

### Special Education Paraprofessional

**Chicago Tech Academy, Chicago IL**

- Taught students with special needs in the subjects of economics, media (photoshop and HTML), and algebra.
- Provided emotional support and reassurance to create a safe space for learning.
- Served as a translator (English to/from Spanish) in parent-social worker meetings.

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## Skills

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bibliographic research</li> <li>• Cataloging</li> <li>• Documentation</li> <li>• Excel/Google Sheets</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Illustrator/Procreator/Canva</li> <li>• Metadata</li> <li>• Reference</li> <li>• Web design, HTML &amp; CSS (e.g., <a href="https://jlpenn.github.io/index.html">https://jlpenn.github.io/index.html</a>)</li> </ul> |
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## Professional development

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Oct. 2019	<b>Introduction to Illustrator</b> Seattle Central Community College - Seattle, WA
Oct. 2017	<b>Front-end Development HTML, &amp; CSS certificate</b> University of Washington - Seattle, WA
June 2015	<b>Digital Humanities Summer Institute</b> University of Victoria, Victoria, BC

## Conferences

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2020	<b>Code{4}lib, 2020:</b> Open Data Barriers that Persist at the Institutional Level. Ian Pollock, Yesenia Roman, Erica Leigh Slepak. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania <b>(Poster)</b>
2011	<b>Society for Applied Anthropology, 2011:</b> Women, Food and Identity in the Changing Socioeconomic Environment of Rural Oaxaca, Mexico. Seattle, Washington <b>(Poster)</b>
2011	<b>Leadership Alliance National Symposium, 2011:</b> Breast-feeding Patterns and its relationship to Socio- Demographic Factors in American Samoa. Providence, Rhode Island <b>(Poster)</b>

## Awards

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2015	Association of Research Libraries: Initiative to Recruit a Diverse Workforce Scholarship
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## Languages

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- English (Fluent)
- Spanish (Native)

## Publications

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2022	<a href="#"><u>The Next 'Great Dying' Is Coming for Your Seafood. Gizmodo.</u></a> (Illustration)
2022	<a href="#"><u>Rapid Reductions In Greenhouse Gas Emissions Are Critical For Avoiding A Major Mass Extinction Of Ocean Species .Forbes.</u></a> (Illustration)

## Peer-reviewed publications

- 2021 **Tobacco Use and Initiation among Young People in 204 Countries and Territories, 1990–2019.** The Lancet. Public Health, 2021, pp. The Lancet. Public health, 2021–05. **(Acknowledgement)**
- 2018 Lim, Stephen S, et al. **Measuring Human Capital: a Systematic Analysis of 195 Countries and Territories, 1990–2016.** The Lancet (British Edition), vol. 392, no. 10154, 2018, pp. 1217–1234. **(Authorship)**
- 2018 GBD 2017 Risk Factors Collaborators. **Global, regional, and national comparative risk assessment of 84 behavioural, environmental and occupational, and metabolic risks or clusters of risks for 195 countries and territories, 1990–2017: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2017.** The Lancet (British edition), 2018-11-10, Vol.392 (10159), p.1923-1994 **(Authorship)**
- 2017 GBD 2015 Tobacco Collaborators. **Smoking prevalence and attributable disease burden in 195 countries and territories, 1990–2015: a systematic analysis from the Global Burden of Disease Study 2015.** The Lancet (British edition), 2017, Vol.389 (10082), p.1885-1906. **(Authorship)**
- 2017 GBD 2016 Risk Factors Collaborators. **Global, regional, and national comparative risk assessment of 84 behavioural, environmental and occupational, and metabolic risks or clusters of risks, 1990–2016: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2016.** The Lancet (British edition), 2017-09-16, Vol.390 (10100), p.1345-1422. **(Authorship)**
- 2017 GBD 2015 Risk Factors Collaborators. **Global, regional, and national comparative risk assessment of 79 behavioural, environmental and occupational, and metabolic risks or clusters of risks, 1990–2015: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2015.** Lancet. 2016 Oct 8;388(10053):1659-1724. doi: 10.1016/S0140-6736(16)31679-8. Erratum in: Lancet. 2017 Jan 7;389(10064):e1. **(Authorship)**
- 2016 Hmwe H Kyu, et al. **Physical Activity and Risk of Breast Cancer, Colon Cancer, Diabetes, Ischemic Heart Disease, and Ischemic Stroke Events.** BMJ, 2016-08-09, Vol.354, p.i3857-i3857. **(Acknowledgement)**