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HIGHER EDUCATION

Dominican University, Master of Library Science, 2004

University of Illinois at Chicago, Bachelor of Arts, Major: Communication, 1994

POSITIONS HELD / ACADEMIC RANKS ATTAINED

Outreach Librarian, Assistant Librarian, University of Notre Dame, 2007 - Present

Visiting Staff Librarian, University of Notre Dame, 2005 - 2007

Reference Librarian, Evergreen Park Public Library, 2004 - 2005

Technical Services Librarian, Northwestern Memorial Hospital, 2004 – 2005

Other Positions Held

Reference Librarian, Evergreen Park Public Library, (staff position) 2003 – 2004

Information Specialist, Northwestern Memorial Hospital, (staff position) 1998 – 2004

Intern, Northwestern University Schaffner Library, 2000 - 2001

Criminal Defense Private Investigator, MJS Investigations, Inc., 1997 - 1998

Pension Benefits Technician, William M. Mercer, 1996 -1997

Benefits Specialist, Hewitt Associates, 1994 -1996

INROADS Intern, Kemper Insurance, 1990 – 1994

SCHOLARSHIPS

LOEX Scholarship, 2008

Sister Reparata Murray Scholarship, 2002

National Medical Library Scholarship, 2001

American Library Association's Spectrum Scholarship, 2001

Dominican University (Spectrum-Matching) Scholarship, 2001

Medical Library Association Scholarship, 2001

Southern Illinois University Full Tuition Scholarship, 1990

DISTINCTIONS, HONORS, AWARDS

Emerging Leaders Program, 2007

INSPEC Travel Stipend, 2001

University of Illinois at Chicago Black Student Retention Award, 1993

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICE

American Library Association (ALA), 2000 – 2002, 2005 – Present
Intellectual Freedom Round Table (IFRT), 2006-2008
Membership Promotion Committee, IFRT, (Chair) 2007-2008
Melvil Dewey Award Jury, 2007-2008 (Appointed)
Reference and User Services Association (RUSA), Access to Information Committee,
(Appointed) 2007 - 2008
ACRL (Association of College and Research Libraries), Racial and Ethnic Diversity
Committee, (invited) 2006 – 2007
LITA (Library and Information Technology Association) 2005 - 2007
Medical Library Association (MLA), 2000 – 2001
Illinois Library Association (ILA), Cultural and Racial Diversity, 2000 – 2003
Special Libraries Association (SLA) Diversity, 2001 – 2003

Of Special Note:

Attended Weekly Law Faculty Colloquiums Summer – Winter 2005.
Attended Academic Forum, September 22, 2005.
Attended Provost Tom Burish's Faculty Introduction, September 12, 2005

PUBLICATIONS

[“True Leaders Create Other Leaders,”](#) *IFRT Report*, v. 66, Winter 2007

[“Pursuit of Employment in the New Millennium,”](#) *LIScareers.com*, July 2007

[“J.A.W.S. -- A Historical Perspective”](#) *Journal of Electronic Publishing*, v.10, no. 2, Spring 2007
Editor's Pick by [Informed Librarian Online](#) July 2007.

“Pirate-Teacher.” *Journal of Academic Librarianship*, v.33, no.2, March 2007.

[“Games for Teaching Information Literacy Skills.”](#) *Library Philosophy and Practice*, v.9, no. 2,
April 2007

[“Silent Librarian Syndrome: Perspectives on SCECSAL Conference XVII,”](#) *IFRT Report*, v. 63,
Winter 2006

[“Weary Helper: From Private Investigator to Librarian,”](#) *LIScareers.com*, February 2006

“Spiritual Literacy: a New Concept for a New Reality” *Christian Librarian*, v. 49, no.1, 2006

[“Seldom-Explored Minorities’ Stories: Eyes Wide Shut,”](#) *Versed*, Nov.- Dec. 2005

[“Reflections of a Resident,”](#) *Versed*, Sept.- Oct. 2005.

"Red Pill or Blue Pill? Do We Have a Choice?" *Sci-Tech News*, v.55, no. 3, Aug. 2001, pp.6-7.

"Sites to See," *Practice*, Summer 2000 – Winter 2001.

["The Function of Consumer Health Information Centers in Hospitals,"](#) *MLA NEWS*, no. 327, June-July 2000

["Frustrated Poet"](#) published in an anthology, *Woven Magic: An International Library of Poetry*. Owings Mills, MD: Watermark Press, 2001

Reviews:

Forthcoming "Review: Greenwood's Digital Collection." [Reference Reviews](#), v.22, no. 3, Spring 2008

Forthcoming "Review: Journal Info." [Reference Reviews](#), v.22, no. 1, Spring 2008

Forthcoming "Review: PolitInfo." [Reference Reviews](#), v.21, no. 7, Fall 2007

Forthcoming "Review: Biography Resource: African-American." [Reference Reviews](#), v.21, no. 6, Fall 2007

Forthcoming "Review: Kappler's Indian Affairs: Laws and Treaties." [Reference Reviews](#), v.21, no. 5, Summer 2007

"Library Thing." [Reference Reviews](#), v.21, no. 8, Winter 2007

"CiteULike." [Reference Reviews](#), v.21, no. 7, Fall 2007

"Echoes of Africa." [Reference Reviews](#), v.21, no. 6, Fall 2007

"Martindale's The Reference Desk." [Reference Reviews](#), v.21, no. 5, Summer 2007

["African E-Journals Project."](#) [Reference Reviews](#), v.21, no. 4, Summer 2007

["Latino Cultural Heritage Digital Archives."](#) [Reference Reviews](#), v.21, no. 3, April 2007

"Bloomsbury Research Centre." [Reference Reviews](#), v.21, no. 2, March 2007

["Cuban Heritage Collection."](#) [Reference Reviews](#), v.21, no. 1, January 2007

"ALB: American Libraries Before 1876." [Reference Reviews](#), v. 20, no. 8, December 2006

"Race, Ethnicity, & Religion Project." [Reference Reviews](#), v. 20, no. 7, October 2006

LECTURES AND ADDRESSES

"Information Empowered," presenter, Upward Bound Workshop series, February 27, 2008 (Invited)

"Information Literacy Tools: Beyond Google," presenter, Trio Scholars Embracing the Future Conference, March 10, 2007 (Invited)

"To Thine Own Self Be True," panelist, Project to Recruit the Next Generation of Librarians, July 27, 2006 (Invited)

"Capturing Literacy Globally," panelist, Indiana Library Federation (ILF) Annual Conference, April 11-13, 2006 (Refereed)

"Former Private Investigator Turned Librarian," panelist, Project to Recruit the Next Generation of Librarians, August 5, 2005 (Invited)

"Health Information on the World Wide Web," Regional Coffee & Caucus. Chicago Department on Aging, July - October 2000 (Invited)

"Show Me the Money: How to Get Scholarships to Fund Your Graduate Education." Dominican University, February 19, 2002 (Invited)

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Charlotte Kim Scholars in Residence Program on Librarianship, November, 2007

Second Life Convention, August, 2007

Internet Librarian, October, 2007

Writing Effective Multiple Choice Questions, 2007

Forecasting Trends in Student Life and Student Technologies, ELI Web Seminar, 2007

Macintosh OS X: Why Are Mac Users So Devoted? 2007

LexisNexis Webinar, 2006

Computer Hardware 102: What's in That Black Box? 2006

Teaching as a Performing Art, 2006

Google Scholar, 2006

LOCKSS & Portico, 2006

MARCit!--Unlocking the Secrets of Streamlined Serials Processing Webinar, 2006

Standing Conference of Eastern, Central and Southern African Libraries (SCECSAL XVII), July 10-14, 2006

Indiana Online Users Group Conference May 19, 2006

Office of Leadership and Management Services (OLMS) Institute May 8 - 10, 2006

Presented at the Indiana Library Federation (ILF) Annual Conference, April 11-13, 2006

ILF District 1 Conference Tuesday, October 4, 2005

American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) Annual Conference, 2005

ND Millennials: Characteristics to Instructional Success, 2005

Dreamweaver MX, 2005

CSS Magic, 2005
SMART ID250 Interactive Pen Display, 2005
Westlaw, 2005
Lexis-Nexis, 2005
Microsoft Access, Excel and Word, 2003
Mastering Adobe Photoshop, 2002
American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA June 13–19, 2002
American Library Association (ALA) Spectrum Scholar Institute, Atlanta, GA June 9 –12, 2002
Special Libraries Association (SLA) Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX, June 9 - 13, 2001
Medical Library Association (MLA) Annual Conference, Orlando, FL May 26-29, 2001
Desktop Publishing & Web Design, 2000
Introduction to Multimedia/Visual Basic, 2000
Ovid and Medline Full-Text Resources, 2000

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Kaneb Center Faculty Learning Communities (FLC), 2007 - Present
Department of Africana Studies Library Committee, Affiliate, 2005-2007

LIBRARY SERVICE

Screen Design, Member, 2007 - Present
Marketing and Outreach Committee, Chair, 2007 - Present
SFX Working Group, 2007 - Present
Library Faculty Training & Development Committee, Member, 2007 - Present
Electronic Resources Blog (ERB) Committee, Chair, 2007
Electronic/Virtual Reference Shelf Group, 2007
Electronic Resources and Serials Access (ERSA–Minor) Committee, Chair, 2006 - Present
Libraries' Web Presence Improvement Team (WPIT) Committee, Member, 2006 - 2007
Librarians Without Borders, Member, 2006-Present
Emerald Literati Network, Contributor, 2006 -Present
Books for Africa, Donor, 2006
Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Grant, Mentor, 2006
Diversity Committee, Ex Officio Member, 2005 – Present
Information Systems and Digital Access (ISDA) Institutional Digital Repository Committee, Member, 2005-Present
Information Systems and Digital Access (ISDA) Diversity Committee, Member, 2005-Present

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Multicultural Student Programs and Services (MSPS) Building Bridges Mentor, 2006-Present
St. Vincent de Paul Society, Volunteer of St. Joseph County, December 2006
New International Arts & Letters Graduate Student Orientation Volunteer, Fall 2006
Amnesty International Volunteer, July 2005 – Present

Youth Services Bureau Volunteer, July – December 2005

Robert Taylor Boys and Girls Club, Volunteer Tutor, 1997 – 1999