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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

BY EMILY BRENNAN



Dear Southern Chapter,

Happy 2023! This is the perfect time of year to reflect on the past while looking to the future. These past few years have presented many unexpected events and challenges, but through it all I think we have all realized how flexible, resilient, and strong we truly are.

I am honored to serve as Chair of SC/MLA and am so grateful that you have entrusted me to lead our chapter over the next year. Of course, we all know that the success of the chapter is the result of, and depends on the work of, chapter members.

Thank you to the outgoing chapter chair, Skye Bickett, whose insight and foresight continues to amaze me. Skye has mentored me with grace, made me laugh when I wanted to cry, listened to crazy ideas without judgement, and has positioned our chapter for success.



The 2022 SC/MLA Annual Meeting in Montgomery was exceptional, and there are so many people to thank for that. The Program Committee devoted countless hours and effort to planning the in-person meeting. Special thanks to the Local Arrangements co-chairs, Margaret Alexander and Inga Moten, and Treasurer David Petersen. We couldn't have held a meeting without content, so thank you to the paper and poster presenters, speakers, panelists, sponsors, vendors, attendees, and everyone else who contributed to the meeting in some way. Speaking of annual meetings, the SC/MLA and South Center Chapter (SCC) Joint Chapter Meeting will take place in New Orleans in September 2023. Christine Willis, SC/MLA Program Chair, and the other conference planners already have fun and engaging content planned.

As we look to the future, I encourage each of you to renew your SC/MLA membership and promote our chapter to others. We want SC/MLA to be the professional home for all librarians and information professionals working in the health sciences. With an eye towards diversity and inclusion, let's inspire those in roles not typically represented by SC/MLA to now join our chapter. There are countless benefits to being an SC/MLA member and a variety of ways to get involved. Volunteer to be a committee member or chair, become a mentor or find a mentee, write an article for Southern Expressions, present a paper or poster at the annual meeting.

The SC/MLA Officers and committees are brainstorming and working on important projects such as updating the chapter's strategic plan, better organizing our finances, developing an annual meeting procedures manual, creating an online merchandise store, and so much more! Let's work together to make this year the best one yet for SC/MLA!

Emily Brennan
SC/MLA Chair
MUSC Libraries





Network of the
National Library of Medicine

NNLM News

Lupus Patient Education Day Presentation & Resources

Region 2 Regional Medical Library faculty members Sarah Fischer, MA, and Debra Trogdon-Livingston, MLS gave a recorded presentation to MUSC's Lupus Patient Education Day attendees. In their presentation, they discussed how to explore key features and utilize tips to navigate the National Library of Medicine's free online resources Medline Plus and ClinicalTrials.gov to find trusted health information.

Their recording is available on YouTube: [MUSC Lupus Patient Education Day 2022](#). Their work is also featured on MUSC's College of Medicine website.

Network of the National Library of Medicine Reading Club Toolkit

The NNLM Reading Club Toolkit is a free, downloadable guide for everyone to use to promote the materials curated and organized monthly related to a health theme by health librarians. All the materials are available online including book selections, supplementary materials like related podcasts, and discussion guides.

Learn more:

NNLM Reading Club:

<https://nnlm.gov/nnlm-reading-club>

NNLM Reading Club Toolkit Download:

https://lor.nnlm.gov/op/op.Download_Share.php?documentid=4324

Rural Health Literacy Toolkit:

https://www.ruralhealthinfo.org/toolkits/health-literacy_

WANT TO BE A MEDICAL LIBRARIAN? HOW TO LAND YOUR FIRST JOB

January 27, 2023

1pm - 2:30 pm CT

Early Career Librarian Initiative (ECLI) and NNLM Region 3 are providing a webinar with practical information on how to acquire your first medical librarian position.

Join us as we invite two speakers from both an academic library and hospital library to discuss CVs, interviews, and more!

Register via QR
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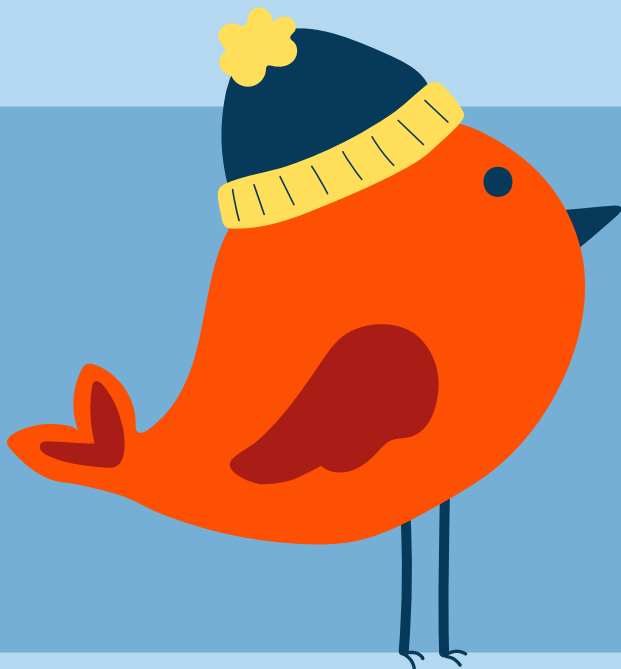


Region 3



to our Annual Meeting 2022 Award Winners!

- LIS Student Award - Sarah Thompson
- First Time Attendee Scholarship - Annabelle Holt
- Jocelyn Rankin Memorial Scholarship - Skye Bickett
- AHIP Scholarship - Elizabeth Hinton
- 2022 JCLC Conference Scholarship - Kelsa Bartley, Tamara Nelson, Jerrold Mobley, and LaTawania Miller
- Honor a Mentor Nominees
 - Susan Clark - honored by Lauren Young
 - Carolyn Holmes, in memoriam - honored by Jill Deaver and Becca Billings
 - Shannon Jones - honored by Tamara Nelson



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Jocelyn Rankin Memorial Scholarship Report

By: Skye Bickett



For our 2022 annual meeting, I was fortunate to receive the Jocelyn Rankin Memorial Scholarship, which allowed me to attend the CE titled “Data Literacy for the Busy Librarian.” As the world changes, librarians have more opportunities in varying positions, and this course helped improve my skill set and how I contribute at work. I was unfamiliar with various topics included in the class, such as the data life cycle and FAIR principles, so I knew it’d be beneficial to register for the course. The presenters, Elizabeth Roth and Debra Trogdon-Livingston, made the course fun and engaging. They provided information in a way that anyone unfamiliar or familiar with the topic would stay interested and learn something new. Each step of the data life cycle was covered, and they discussed how it could be used in different settings.

I’m more involved with the research process and publications in my current position, so this course was instrumental for learning new tasks that will come along in my line of work. I learned how to create data management plans, properly document and cite data, and use data policies in publishing. Previously, there were no plans for how my organization documented, stored, or preserved data. The supplemental items the instructors shared, including templates for data management and sharing plans, were beneficial for developing those plans. The course and shared resources gave me the information I needed to propose projects for the following budget year.

Overall, this course and the knowledge I gained were wonderful. It introduced me to the foundational steps of data literacy and made me realize that I need to learn even more about the topic. I’m now looking forward to obtaining the Data Services Specialization through MLA. I strongly encourage others to take this or similar courses to enhance their skill set.



AROUND THE STATES

Georgia

Woodruff Health Sciences Center Library, Emory University

Submitted by Tara Douglas-Williams, MSLS, AHIP

Accomplishments

Sandra Franklin Receives AAHSL Oppenheimer Cornerstone Award

On November 11, Emory University's Woodruff Health Sciences Library Director Sandra Franklin was honored with the [Gerald J. Oppenheimer Cornerstone Award](#) for lifetime achievement from the Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries (AAHSL). This award is given in recognition of important contributions to the AAHSL mission and significant impact on the profession of academic health sciences librarianship.



Franklin has been the Emory University representative to AAHSL since 2000 and served as a member of the board from 2009-2012. She chaired the Future Leadership Committee (2014-2017), which gives oversight to the NLM/AAHSL Leadership Fellows. The program is co-sponsored with the National Library of Medicine (NLM) and is aimed at the recruitment and development of first-class leaders and future library directors in the academic health sciences. Franklin also served on the organization's Joint Legislation Task Force with the Medical Library Association (2006-2009; 2019-2020) and the Scholarly Communications Committee (2008-2010). She served on the nominating committee in 2017. As AAHSL president in 2020, Franklin shepherded the organization through the COVID-19 pandemic, transitioning the organization to virtual collaboration and programming and spearheading essential communications between medical and health sciences libraries during a worldwide health crisis. While past president, Franklin led the task force that resulted in a successful vote to move osteopathic institutional libraries from associate members to full members of AAHSL.

Award presentation comments touched on her compassion and grace in growing the profession through the next generation of leaders. They spoke of her engagement and dedicated support of colleagues and peers, always willing to share in solutions, offering wisdom and experience. They spoke of her quiet determination and resilience when tackling a challenge, and all the small acts of support that can change the world. It was said Sandra Franklin "represents the very best of AAHSL and deserves this distinguished lifetime achievement award."

Woodruff Health Sciences Center Library, Emory University con't

Sandra Franklin has led the WHSC Library since her appointment as interim director in 2000. She was officially selected to take on the role in 2002 and is the first person of color to fulfill the position. During her tenure Franklin has shepherded current library services into the Informationist model and expanded on traditional roles of librarianship to include a Clinical Informationist Team, Systematic Review Team, and Research Impact Services. She has also overseen the growth of information services to Emory Healthcare including four branch libraries in area hospitals. Her vision for the library and librarianship brings essential elements of scholarship, compassion, and evidence-based critique to the WHSC user community and to academic health sciences librarians and researchers beyond our institution.



Presentations

Woodruff Health Sciences Center Library informationists John Nemeth, Hannah Rogers, and Mia White presented their poster, "[Authorship Matters: Initiating a Systematic Review Service](#)" at the Southern Chapter Annual Meeting in Montgomery, AL. The poster described the library's use of a service agreement form to ensure that collaborating informationists are credited with authorship for their contributions to systematic reviews on which they collaborate.

Powell JM, Genias I, Skelton G, **White MS**, Maney DL, McKay JL. Clinical trial results from Parkinson's disease interventions are typically not reported/stratified by variables associated with sex and gender: A systematic review. Emory University 3rd Annual Workshop on How to Incorporate Sex as a Biological Variable (SABV) in Your Research. Atlanta, Georgia, 2022.

Publications

Matthie NS, Giordano NA, Jenerette CM, Magwood GS, **Leslie SL**, Northey EE, Webster CI, Sil S. Use and efficacy of virtual, augmented, or mixed reality technology for chronic pain: a systematic review. *Pain Management*. 2022. <https://doi.org/10.2217/pmt-2022-0030>

Cordray H, Mahendran GN, Tey CS, **Nemeth J**, Sutcliffe A, Ingram J, Raol N. Severity and prevalence of Ankyloglossia-associated breastfeeding symptoms: a systematic review and meta-analysis. *Acta Paediatr*. 2022. <https://doi.org/10.1111/apa.16609>

Dupont S, **Nemeth J**, Turbow S. Effects of health information exchanges in the adult inpatient setting: a systematic review. *J Gen Intern Med*. 2022. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11606-022-07872-z>

Florida

Advent Health University, Orlando, FL

Submitted by: Jessica Daly

Library Programs & Outreach



As academic libraries discover new ways of promoting resources and services, it is critical we understand the importance of intentional marketing. Due to each college or university library having a unique set of patrons, librarians must choose areas of focus. AdventHealth University's student population is made up of on-campus, hybrid, online, and remote students. After meeting with the Dean of Student Housing, it became clear housing students were unaware of what the library had to offer. By collaborating with the dean of housing, who is an expert on the needs of these students, creative ways of sharing the library's resources and services were planned. The first way of creating a personal connection was by our Head of Library Outreach and Marketing putting together goody bags for each student, including a small informational card about the library which included QR codes to make connecting to the library website and chat easy. The second idea was the library sponsoring a "Taco Tuesday" dinner for student housing.

A catered taco bar with facts about the library's resources and services at each station gave students a chance to learn more about how the library can assist them as they achieve their academic goals. This also served as a time to promote the library's chat service by having a laptop available to show students how to easily access chat through the library's website. Making a personal connection with students is key to connecting them to the library's resources and services.

Library Champions

We understand what an important component faculty buy-in and support can be when striving to promote the academic library's resources and services. The R.A. Williams Library instituted the "Faculty Library Champions" program in the fall of 2022. A list of professors, who actively use the library, was compiled and emails were sent inviting each one to share a quote about the library, as well as grant permission to use their quote and university photo on social media, posters, videos, and library monitors. The goal was five faculty participants. To our surprise, we had nine faculty members agree to help us due to their appreciation of and their positive experiences with the library and our staff/faculty. Our hope is the quotes from these respected faculty members will encourage their colleagues to also take full advantage of the library's resources and services in the coming year.



Faculty Library Champion

"The library faculty are wonderful conversation partners for curriculum development and scholarship. Talking with the library team has consistently resulted in more creative, student-centered, and relevant approaches to teaching and learning. Collaborating with the library faculty makes any idea or project better!"

-Dr. Stefanie Johnson, Professor of English,
Director of the AHU Writing Center



Advent Health University, Orlando, FL con't



Annual Door Decorating Contest

This holiday season, AdventHealth University reinstated their annual door decorating contest and the R.A. Williams Library was more than excited to participate. Our theme was "Underneath the Christmas Tree". The library student workers and staff collaborated and tapped into their creativity to design an elaborate display we were all proud of.

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

Submitted by: Tsu Yin Lue

Welcome! New Members

The USF Health Libraries (USFHL) welcomes two new members to its Access Services Unit, **Nick Swilley** and **Mohamed Elmenayer**.

Nick Swilley, Library Specialist, is a Tampa native. Prior to joining the USFHL, Nick was in the Army for five years as an Airborne Infantryman stationed in Anchorage, Alaska. He loves traveling and has traveled to many countries all over the world.

Mohamed Elmenayer returns to USF as our new USFHL Library Operations Supervisor. Mohamed has previously worked for several libraries, including Stony Brook Frank Melville Jr. Memorial Library, UWF John C. Pace Library, and United Arab Emirates University Library. He is passionate about information technology and hopes to improve our library operations and streamline our processes using low to no-cost solutions.



Mohamed Elmenayer (L) and Nick Swilley (R)

Conferences

SC/MLA

At SC/MLA's annual conference in Montgomery, Alabama, our USFHL librarians presented two posters in the Instruction, Education, and Research Support categories:

- **Bland RL**, Berkowitz K, Honker J. [Passport to revenue - partnering with the U.S. Department of State to serve the community and generate library revenue](#). Poster presented at: SC/MLA 2022 Annual Meeting; 2022; Montgomery, AL.
- **Tomlinson S, Bullers K, Howard AM, Hanson A, Chan J, Murray Conner LA, Lue T.** [Embracing the changing landscape: an examination of how health science library reference has evolved](#). Poster presented at: SC/MLA 2022 Annual Meeting; 2022; Montgomery, AL.

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL con't

Core Forum

Mindy Berg, MLIS, presented her poster at Core Forum 2022 in Salt Lake City, UT.

- **Berg M.** Biophilia for bibliophiles: using biophilic design principles in library workspaces to increase employee health and wellbeing. Poster presented at: Core Forum 2022; Salt Lake City, UT.



In even the most beautiful new or remodeled libraries, employee workspaces are often dark and dreary and overlooked in terms of design.

Simple and inexpensive biophilic design principles can be used to decrease stress, increase health and wellbeing, and positively impact employee performance.

Harriet F. Ginsburg Health Sciences Library, University of Central Florida College of Medicine

Submitted by Shalu Gillum

Congrats to Dr. Nadine Dexter, New AAHSL President

We are pleased to announce that our director, Dr. Nadine Dexter, MLS, EdD, has been elected the new President of the Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries (AAHSL) for 2022-2023. AAHSL provides professional development, leadership programs, advocacy, and identifying strategic partnerships, that fosters a diverse and inclusive community. Dr. Dexter supports mentoring and developing new leaders in the medical librarian field and we look forward to seeing the future programs of AAHSL.

Saying Goodbye to our Tech Wizard

Our long-time Sr. Library Technology Assistant, Raney Collins, has accepted a new position at UCF College of Medicine. For over 11 years, Raney served as our in-house mobile technology expert. Raney is now a member of UCF COM Health IT. We wish her the best of luck in her new role!



Raney Collins with Library Llama.

Charlotte Edwards Maguire Medical Library, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL

Submitted by: Melodie Gardner

Adventures in Open-Access Book Publishing

Susan Epstein was invited in 2021 to co-author a chapter for an edited, open-access book to be published in DigiNole, FSU's Research Repository. Slated for publication in 2023, this open-access online book revises a 2004 print book from Brooks/Cole, who granted publishing rights to the original authors. As lead chapter author, Susan learned how to navigate the rocky shores of group authorship and editing from June 2021 to December 2022. Chapter 18, Developing, managing, and providing access to career resource collections, is now considered "in press" -- so Susan can take a well-deserved break!

Mississippi

Alcorn State University, Natchez Library Learning Resource Center



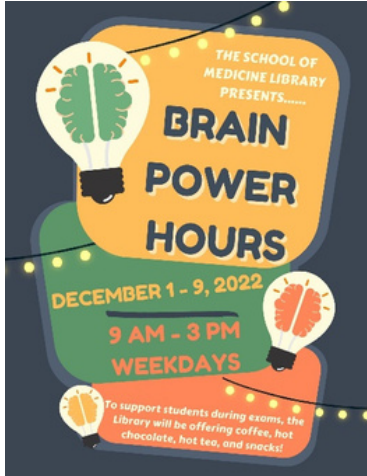
Danielle A. Terrell, Director of the Natchez Library Learning Resource Center at Alcorn State University presented a poster entitled “Library Engagement: Bringing Outreach to Nursing Students,” during the Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association Conference in Montgomery, AL. In addition, Danielle moderated a panel discussion during the Mississippi Library Association Conference entitled, “Trends and Issues in Academic Libraries: Moving Beyond COVID-19.” Danielle is a member of the Medical Library Association, Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association, and the Mississippi Library Association.



Photo: Danielle A. Terrell, presenting her poster “Library Engagement: Bringing Outreach to Nursing Students”.

South Carolina

School of Medicine Library, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC



To support students during exam time, the library hosted BRAIN POWER HOURS in early December. A Trail Mix Station, coffee, hot chocolate, hot tea, and snacks were available for all students!



November was International Games Month! The library has a [collection of board games](#) that are available to be played in the library or checked out for a week. During the month, the library hosted drop-in game days. Everyone was invited to come to the library's first floor classroom, grab a tabletop game, pull up a chair, and have fun!

Ruth Riley represented the library at the Southern Chapter annual meeting in Montgomery and also attended the annual meetings of the Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries and the Association of American Medical Colleges in Nashville in November.

Presentations:

McConnaughey R, Wilson S, Riley RA. [Escape the lecture: using a virtual escape room activity for library orientation.](#) Poster presented at: SC/MLA 2022 Annual Meeting; 2022; Montgomery, AL.

Tennessee

Annette and Irwin Eskind Family Biomedical Library and Learning Center, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

Eskind Hosts the Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries Reception

This past November, the Association of Academic Health Sciences Libraries (AAHSL) held its annual meeting in Nashville, TN. The Annette and Irwin Eskind Family Library and Learning Center (EBL) hosted the post-meeting networking reception. The reception was well attended and consisted of a bountiful culinary spread, tours of the library and the History of Medicine Collections, and the Gerald J. Oppenheimer Cornerstone Award presentation to Sandra Franklin, Director, Woodruff Health Sciences Library, Emory University.



Academic Health Sciences Libraries Reception at EBL

Library System Activities & Promotions

Vanderbilt University Libraries implemented a four-level Librarian Rank and Promotion System in 2019.

Philip Walker has been the Chair for the Rank and Promotion Committee for the last year and his 3-year term as an inaugural R&P Review Committee member is now coming to a close. We would like to thank Philip for all his hard work while serving on the committee and their success in getting the R&P process off the ground. **Rachel Lane Walden** was elected to join the committee in January.

Heather Laferriere and Rachel Lane Walden both recently went up for promotion and we can now congratulate them on their new ranks. **Heather Laferriere** is now ranked as Librarian II and **Rachel Lane Walden** is ranked as Librarian III.



Heather & Rachel Lane taking the newest Eskind staff members Rachel & Kayce to their first Flulapalooza, September 2022

Annette and Irwin Eskind Family Biomedical Library and Learning Center, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN con't

Recent Publications

Chanbour H, Chen JW, Ehtesham SA, **Ivey C**, Pandey AK, Dewan MC, Zuckerman SL. Time to surgery in spinal trauma: a meta-analysis of the world's literature comparing high-income countries to low-middle income countries. *World Neurosurg.* 2022;S1878-8750(22)01094-4.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.wneu.2022.07.140>

Desta R, Blumrosen C, **Laferriere HE**, Saluja A, Bruce MA, Elasy TA, Griffith DM, Norris KC, Cavanaugh KL, Umeukeje EM. interventions incorporating therapeutic alliance to improve medication adherence in black patients with diabetes, hypertension and kidney disease: a systematic review. *Patient Prefer Adherence.* 2022;16:3095-3110.

<https://doi.org/10.2147/PPA.S371162>

Preston Medical Library, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

Preston Medical Library welcomed our new Graduate Research Assistant, Claire Rhode, this fall. Claire has been helping at the reference desk and working on several different projects, including developing a LibGuide on low-income patients and healthcare practitioners and research into resident usage of library materials. She is currently working on her Master's at the University of Tennessee's School of Information Sciences with a focus on youth services. Working at Preston has sparked her interest in health science librarianship, and she hopes to continue in the field. Claire has recently taken over the library's Twitter page and posts frequent updates about library events and new books. If you're not already following Preston Medical Library on Twitter, come say hello!



UT Preston Medical Library @LibraryPreston · 1m

Happy National Pastry Day! Come check out a cookbook from the Health Information Center – we have pastry recipes for any dietary choices.



University of Tennessee Health Science Center Health Sciences Library, Memphis, TN

UTHSC Has Strong Showing at SCMLA

UTHSC librarians and staff won several awards at the SC/MLA conference! Tamara Nelson, College of Medicine Liaison, received the JCLC Conference Scholarship. Annabelle Smith-Holt, College of Dentistry Liaison, received the First-time Attendee Scholarship. Sarah Thompson, Communications Coordinator, received the LIS Student Scholarship. The paper presentation "Tapping into an Underserved Group: Clinical Researchers," won the Research Paper Award for the conference. The UTHSC Library presented the following papers:

- **McElfresh J, Jasmin H, Laera E, Walden R.** "Successful Library Partnerships." [Panel Discussion]
- **Jasmin H.** "[Evolving Assessment Through Demonstration of Competency: A Video-Recorded PubMed Search by Pharmacy Students.](#)" [Paper Presentation]
- **Wu L, Jasmin H, McElfresh J, Nelson T, Thompson S, Newman McDonald J, Bran D, Lynn M.** "[Tapping into an Underserved Group: Clinical Researchers.](#)" [Paper Presentation]
- **Jasmin H, McElfresh J.** "[Evolving together: Implementing a Journal Club among early to mid-career librarians in an academic health sciences library.](#)" [Paper Presentation]
- **Newman McDonald J, Watts R, Gahn P, Langford J, Newell S.** "[Embracing the Challenge, Evolving our Services: Determining the Library's Role in Assuring Campus Compliance with the 2023 NIH Data Management & Sharing Policy.](#)" [Poster Presentation]



Preparing for National Institutes of Health Data Management and Sharing Plan

Jess Newman McDonald, Research Data & Scholarly Communication Lead, and Sarah Newell, Assessment & Data Services Librarian, delivered a workshop on "Preparing for the NIH DMSP: Researcher Needs and Perspectives" at the 2022 Midwest Data Librarian Symposium. In this workshop, they presented initial findings from a series of data interviews with UTHSC researchers around their needs for research data support services and perceptions of the new NIH Data Management and Sharing Policy requirements.

University of Tennessee Health Science Center Health Sciences Library, Memphis, TN con't

UTHSC Library Undergoing Renovations

The Health Sciences Library is undergoing renovations! Our second and fourth floor stacks are being removed to create more study space for students. We're excited to be able to better serve the UTHSC Community through these changes!



Meet Annabelle Smith-Holt



The UTHSC Health Sciences Library is pleased to welcome new Research and Learning Services Librarian, Annabelle Smith-Holt. Annabelle is originally from Manchester, Kentucky, and brings her diverse work experiences from public schools, public libraries, and academic libraries. Annabelle received her MSLS degree in 2022 from the University of Kentucky School of Information Science. During her time at the University of Kentucky, she worked as a graduate intern for the Agricultural Liaison Librarian before becoming a graduate assistant for the Medical Center Library. As a student, Annabelle also had the opportunity to participate in internships with both the National Library of Medicine and the Network of the National Library of Medicine Region 5. Annabelle is excited to step into her role as College of Dentistry Liaison at UTHSC.

Winter Warm Up

The Library offered students hot chocolate and cookie bars to help melt away their December finals stress.



Communications Coordinator Receives Award for Social Media Content

Sarah Thompson, the Library's Communications Coordinator, received a Gold Award from the Memphis Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America at their Vox Awards. The award was for a series of Instagram videos featuring artifacts from the Library's Health Science Historical Collections. The videos went viral, with one getting more than a million views, and increased followers of the Library Instagram account by more than 1100%! The Public Relations Society of America is the national trade organization for public relations and communication professionals.





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