

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Degree in Information Studies.

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

Master of Arts (M.A.) Degree in Library and Information Science.

Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA

Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) Degree.

The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree in Mineral Economics, Business Option.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

The use of information technologies in libraries and information-related organizations, information science and the relationship of technology to the field, information behaviors in the context of technologically mediated information systems, computer-mediated communication, and technology adoption and integration.

TEACHING & ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

University of South Florida, School of Information (SI), Tampa, FL (2004 - Present)

Senior Instructor: Summer 2016 – Present

Undergraduate Program Director and Instructor: Spring 2013 – Spring 2016

Visiting Assistant Professor: Fall 2010 – Fall 2012:

Develop and teach undergraduate and graduate courses in distance, blended and face-to-face formats using innovative strategies and emerging technologies. Coordinate and facilitate departmental technology needs including support of teaching labs, staff, and faculty. Department service through active membership on curriculum, communication and distance learning, planning, student affairs, and faculty search committees. Advise and mentor students in senior projects and independent studies. Plan, develop, schedule, and assist other faculty and advisors with undergraduate curriculum. Chair of graduate and undergraduate curriculum committees. Involved in undergraduate program marketing and student recruitment through on-campus events.

Current courses:

IDS 4930- Information Studies Capstone

LIS 3261-Intro to Information Science

LIS 3352-Interaction Design

LIS 3353-IT Concepts for Information Professionals

LIS 5268-Microcomputer Applications for Libraries and Information Centers

Adjunct Instructor

Spring 2005 – Summer 2010: Developed and taught undergraduate and graduate courses in online, blended and face-to-face formats. Courses taught:

LIS 2005-Library and Internet Research Skills

LIS 3361-Web Page Design and Management

LIS 5937-Digital Libraries

Additional courses developed:

LIS 4930-Introduction to Computers and Digital Technologies

Technology Consultant

Summer 2009: Coordinated and oversaw the successful modernization and updating of SLIS's computer labs and other vital instructional technologies.

Interim Advisor/ Technology Coordinator

Summer 2007 – Fall 2007: Provided counseling and pre-admission advising services to current and prospective SI students. Updated admission related materials on SLIS website. Oversaw maintenance of SI computer labs and equipment. Supervised activities of Graduate Assistant assigned to assist with these activities. Addressed other technology related issues as needed. Produced schedule, budgetary, and other program related analyses as requested. Familiar with USF student and scheduling related systems (Banner and Oasis).

Technical Consultant

Summer 2006 - Fall 2006: Grant funded position to design and edit video for distance learning course; designed and implemented training for "using video in teaching" model.

Graduate Assistant

Summer 2004 – Spring 2005: Graduate Assistant, Provided web design and support for online portion of LIS 6725 Organization of Knowledge course funded by a USF Innovative Teaching Grant.

Florida State University, College of Information, Tallahassee, FL (2002 - 2004)*Teaching / Graduate Assistant*

Fall 2002 - Fall 2003: Teaching Assistant, LIS 5411 Introduction to Information Policy courses and LIS 5263 Theory of Information Retrieval; Graduate Assistant to Doctoral Team (Spring 2003 – Spring 2004). Experienced in face-to-face, online, and blended teaching environments. Proficient with online course tools such as Blackboard and I-chat.

University of South Florida, School of Library and Information Science, Tampa, FL (1999 - 2002)*Teaching / Graduate Assistant*

Spring 2002: Teaching Assistant, LIS 6542 Curriculum and Instructional Technology. Assisted faculty with development, administration, and maintenance of both online and face-to-face courses. Assisted webmaster with development and maintenance of departmental and faculty web pages. Provided research assistance to meet individual faculty and departmental needs. Summer 2002: Provided technical assistance for final report produced under the auspices of an OCLC/ALISE 2001 Research Grant.

Florida Distance Learning Reference and Referral Center (RRC)*Reference Graduate Assistant*

Provided in-depth and ready online reference services and research assistance to distance learners throughout the state of Florida. Supported clients with technical and proxy issues.

Computing Services – College of Arts & Sciences*Computer Support Specialist***Bethlehem Area Vocational Technical School, Bethlehem, PA (1996 - 1997)***Instructor***Small Business Development Center (SBDC), Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA (1993 - 1995)***Business Analyst/Consultant*

Consulted more than 200 existing and start-up business clients. Assisted in business planning, marketing, accounting/recordkeeping, technology needs assessment and securing sources of capital/funding.

PRESENTATIONS & PAPERS

“e-Portfolios: Creating Your Digital Story” (with Diane Austin), Florida Association for Media in Education (FAME) 2014 Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, October 9 - 10, 2014.

“Preparing for the Careers That Don’t Exist Yet 2.0” (with Diane Austin and Nardia Cumberbatch), Florida Association for Media in Education (FAME) 2013 Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, November 22 - 23, 2013.

“Preparing for the Careers That Don’t Exist Yet.” (with Diane Austin, Robert Pound, and Nardia Cumberbatch), Florida Association for Media in Education (FAME) 2012 Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, November 1 - 3, 2012.

“Technology Assisted Activities for Teaching and Learning at a Distance.” (with Diane Austin and Cora Dunkley), Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT) 2005 Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, November 19 - 22, 2005.

“The Urge to Merge: Understanding Organizational Restructuring in Higher Education.” (with Jane B. Robbins and Michael Luesebrink) Top Paper Competition; ALISE 2004 Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, January 6 - 9, 2004.

“From Anytime, Anywhere to All-The-Time, Everywhere: Learning Objects, Broadband, and Wireless Reshape Digital Libraries for Learning and Research.” (with Vicki L. Gregory, Thomas Terrell, and Diane Austin) Panel Session, ASIST 2003 Annual Meeting, Long Beach, CA, October, 20 - 23, 2003.

BOOK CHAPTERS

“Technology in Public Libraries: An Overview of the Past, Present, and Future” (with Diane Austin) in Introduction to Public Librarianship (3rd Edition) edited by: Kathleen de la Peña McCook. American Library Association (forthcoming 2017).

HONORS & AWARDS

- Beta Phi Mu, 2003, International Library and Information Science Honor Society.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

- Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIST).
- American Library Association (ALA).
- Member Beta Phi Mu, Beta Phi Chapter (University of South Florida).
- Past secretary Florida chapter of American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIST).
- Past president and treasurer of USF student chapter of American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIST).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

National Football League, Tampa, FL (1999 - 2009)

Assistant Instant Replay Technician

Set up, maintained and operated HD instant replay video units at Tampa Bay Buccaneers home games. Back-up operator for entire instant replay system.

Preservation Resources, Division of Online Computer Library Center (OCLC), Bethlehem, PA (1997 - 1998)

Manager Scanning Services

Managed day to day production activities of scanning department, designed and implemented production database system, prepared technical bids/proposals for new projects, developed policies and procedures to maintain high quality standards and administered server. Served as liaison between Preservation Resources and OCLC corporate office.

Formica Corporation, Mt. Bethel, PA (1987 - 1993)

Materials Manager

Directed all production scheduling, purchasing, warehousing, and shipping activities for a \$15 million a year manufacturer of solid surfacing materials. Acted as liaison between corporate customer service department and the plant. Designed and implemented PC based production scheduling and inventory control system. Primary member of ISO 9000 implementation team. Managed both salaried and hourly employees.

TRW, Inc./Chromalloy American Corp., Harrisburg, PA (1984 - 1987)

Production Control Supervisor

SKF Industries, Inc., Allentown, PA (1981 - 1984)

Forecast Analyst

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Austin, R. J. (1998). *Official Price Guide to Military Collectibles* (6th ed.). New York: House of Collectibles.