

Rachel P. Karasick

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EXPERIENCE

Information Access Coordinator

Hancock Library, Australia National University

2017 - present | Canberra, ACT, Australia

Information literacy training, research consultations, and collection development for science and health programs at the ANU. Statistics collection, departmental coordination, and programming for the Hancock Science Library.

Research Fellow

Harvard Library Innovation Lab

Summer 2017 | Cambridge, MA, USA

Conducted independent research exploring resource sharing and access opportunities for the Library of Things. Developed participatory research portal focused on catalog record templates, data sharing, and information exchange between libraries.

Learning Commons Librarian

Simmons College Library

2017 | Boston, MA, USA

Liaison to the natural sciences, including biology, chemistry, physics, and environmental science departments; departmental management of the Learning Commons, including hiring and oversight of 3 staff and 25 student workers; outreach to students, faculty, and staff; management of reference and research support online and in-person; maintenance of research tools; participation in ongoing collection assessment and review.

Library Assistant, Discovery Services

Simmons College Library

2016 - 2017 | Boston, MA, USA

Cataloging and metadata creation including e-resources; oversight of Interlibrary Loan department; supervision of student workers; purchasing for acquisitions cycle; workflow documentation and data entry; management of course reserves; Library-wide projects.

SKILLS

Detail-oriented, strong writer, effective communicator, reliable team player.

Wide-ranging information science experience: project coordination; database management; scholarly research; fundraising; metadata creation; information architecture.

Technology: Adobe Creative Suite; web design software; HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript; Microsoft Office; OCLC software; ILS; Morae and UX developer tools; Raiser's Edge.

AWARDS & HONORS

Academic Scholarships

Alice L. Haltom Educational Fund
Freudenthal Endowed Scholarship
Pearl Mason Keller Scholarship
Heneghan Endowed Scholarship
Segal AmeriCorps Education Award

Professional Engagement

2017 - Simmons Library
Diversity & Inclusion Working Group

2017 - Simmons College
DERAIL Forum organizer

2014 - Free Library of Philadelphia
Leadership Development Program

2007 - Oberlin College Library
Academic Commons Design
Committee

Library Grant Writer

Free Library of Philadelphia

2013 - 2015 | Philadelphia, PA, USA

Identify, research, and develop opportunities; track, plan, and write reports to funders, including gathering data and managing submission; monitoring outcomes between reporting periods; data entry and tracking; over \$3M raised. Sample grants:

- Intergenerational Makerspace Grant - IMLS - \$499,974
- Teen Culinary Literacy Program - GSK Corp. - \$450,000
- READ! By 4th - Lenfest Foundation - \$450,000
- Framing Fraktur Art Exhibition - Pew Center - \$360,000

Art Library Assistant

Oberlin College Libraries

2005 - 2009 | Oberlin, OH, USA

Data entry; assisting patrons; circulation; stacks management; special collections; book repair; preparations; research assistance; closing and opening responsibilities.

Research Assistant

Oberlin College English Department

2008 - 2009 | Philadelphia, PA, USA

Copyediting; proofreading; manuscript analysis and summary; scholarly article review; citation sourcing for Dr. T.S. McMillin's *The Meaning of Rivers: Flow and Reflection in American Literature*.

Outreach Coordinator

Americorps VISTA

2009 - 2011 | Corvallis, OR, USA

Outreach & Program Development Coordinator for urban gardening organizations benefiting low-income teens and families. Event planning; grant writing; intern coordination; promotions and outreach; hiring youth staff; financial management.

EDUCATION

Oberlin College — Bachelor of Arts

2005-2009 | Oberlin, OH

Environmental Studies and English

Simmons College — Masters' of Library & Information Science

2015-2017 | Boston, MA

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Library Association
Massachusetts Library Assoc.
Assoc. College & Research
Libraries

INTERESTS

building and riding bicycles,
illustration, gardening, hiking,
printmaking