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EMPLOYMENT

July 2000 - current Professor - School of Library & Information Science, SJSU: Primary teaching areas: Management/Organizational Behavior; Business Information Resources/Knowledge Management; Special Libraries/Information Centers; Supervision of internships.

August 1997 - July 2000 Associate Dean - Graduate Studies & Research, SJSU: work with the Dean, GS&R, in administering graduate and research programs at SJSU involving some 5,000 students in 76 degree programs, and 35 organized research units; this includes, but is not limited to: dealing with programmatic and curricular issues, resolving student problems, working with departmental graduate coordinators, supervising interdisciplinary graduate students, representing GS&R on university committees, and a variety of special projects. The SJSU Foundation also reports to GS&R which gives us oversight for the \$62 million operation.

Summer 1997 Visiting Professor - School of Library, Archival and Information Studies, University of British Columbia: taught Management and Special Libraries/Information Centers during UBC's summer session.

August 1995 - July 1996 Special Projects Assistant - Graduate Studies & Research: under the direction of the Dean of Graduate Studies/Associate Vice President for Research, I worked on projects including, but not limited to, preparation of a new graduate degree proposal for submission to the CSU Chancellor's Office and a campus-wide survey of non-thesis options for meeting the University's "culminating experience" requirement.

July 1988 - August 1997 Professor/Associate Director (Interim Director, 1996-97) - School of Library & Information Science, SJSU: Primary teaching areas: Management; Business Information Resources; Special Libraries/Information Centers; Collection Development. Administrative responsibilities included: admissions, scheduling, negotiating with adjunct faculty, day-to-day management of the School.

Sept. 1981 - June 1988 Assistant Professor/Assistant Dean - Graduate School of Library & Information Science, UCLA: Primary teaching areas: Business Information Resources; Special Libraries/ Information Centers; Management; Collection Development; Reference/ Public Services. Administrative responsibilities included: scheduling, negotiating with adjunct faculty, supervising teaching assistants.

May 1976 - August 1981 Senior Assistant Librarian Reference/ Collection Development, California State University, Dominguez Hills/Carson, California.

Jan. 1975 - May 1976 Assistant Librarian Public Services, Florida Atlantic University/Boca Raton, Florida.

EDUCATION/DEGREES

1981 University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA Ph.D., Library & Information Management Doctoral Dissertation: "A Study of the Occupational and Self-Concepts of Librarians in Southern California"

1974 State University of New York, Geneseo, NY MLS, Library & Information Science

1973 University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR MA, History

1972 University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR BA, History/Political Science

PUBLICATIONS (since 1995)

(with Eric Berlin) Two Thumbs Up: A Survey of Librarian-Book Reviewers. *Library Collections, Acquisitions, and Technical Services* 28(3): 312-34, 2004.

Now You See It; Now You Don't: The Elusive Nature of Electronic Information. *Library Collections, Acquisitions, and Technical Services* 27(4):463-72, 2003.

(with Eli Edwards) Trust, Teamwork, and Tokenism: Another Perspective on Diversity in Libraries. *Library Administration & Management* 17(1):21-27, 2003.

The Electronic Resources Librarian Position: A Public Services Phenomenon? *Library Collections, Acquisitions, and Technical Services* 27(1):3-17, 2003.

Impact of Organizational Structure on Acquisitions and Collection Development. *Library Collections, Acquisitions, and Technical Services* 25(4): 409-14, 2001.

Core Competencies for the Acquisition Librarian. *Library Collections, Acquisitions, and Technical Services* 25(2): 179-90, 2001.

When Write is Wrong: Is All Our Professional Literature on the Same Page? *Library Collections, Acquisitions, and Technical Services* 23(1):61-72, 1999.

Terminator 2: Library Education; the Issue that Wouldn't Die. *Library Acquisitions: Practice & Theory* 22 (1):31-34, 1998.

The Value of Professional Associations. *Library Trends* 46(2):320-30, 1997.

The Question of Gender in Library Management. *Library Administration & Management* 11:231-236, 1997.

Libraries Are Businesses. *Library Acquisitions: Practice & Theory* 21:151-155, 1997.

(with Barbara Leonard) "Budgeting for Information Resources: Current Trends and Future Directions," in *Collection Management for the 21st Century* Gorman, G.E. & Miller, R.H., eds. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 1997.

(with others) *Competencies for Special Librarians of the 21st Century*. Washington, DC: Special Libraries Association, 1996.

Library Management: The Latest Fad, a Dismal Science, or Just Plain Work? *Library Acquisitions: Practice & Theory* 20:49-56, 1996.

(with Sharon Gravois and others) Dental Hygienists' Information Seeking and Computer Application Behavior. *Journal of Dental Education* 59:1027-1033, 1995.

"Education for Acquisitions and Collection Development." In *Advances in Acquisitions, Collection Development, and Resources Management* Greenwich, CT: JAI Press, 1995.

(with Sharon Gravois and others) Information-Seeking Practices of Dental Hygienists. *Bulletin of the Medical Library Association* 83:446-452, 1995.

(with Alison Head) Special Librarians: The Origins of Power and the Susceptibilities to Powerlessness. *Special Libraries* 86(2):125-133, 1995.

“Business Literature,” “Information Management and Processing,” and “Information Technologies,” in *Encyclopedia of Business* 2 vols. Detroit: Gale Research, 1995.

Does TQM Really Help Anyone? *Library Acquisitions: Practice & Theory* 19:49-52, 1995.

UNIVERSITY RELATED ACTIVITIES

(all at San Jose State; since 1995)

Faculty Athletics Representative (2003 – current) as a member of the President’s staff I serve as a liaison between the SJSU Athletic Department and the academic interests of the university. This includes certifying that our student-athletes are academically eligible to compete on behalf of SJSU. I am also knowledgeable regarding NCAA and WAC (Western Athletic Conference) rules and regulations regarding student eligibility and other matters.

Academic Affairs Final Admissions Committee (2004 – current) this group hears appeals on admission decisions for undergraduates (both freshmen and transfers) and when appropriate admits a student with certain benchmarks he/she must meet within a specified period of time.

Sabbatical and Leaves Committee – College of Applied Sciences and Arts (2004-05 and 2005-06) evaluate and rank requests from CASA faculty for submission to the University-level committee for final decision.

Advisory Committee on the Joint Library Project (Spring 1997 - Spring 1998) - this is a campus committee appointed by the President to discuss issues arising from a proposed joint city/university library facility (analogous to the City committee listed under “Other Activities”).

Curriculum and Research Committee (1998 - 2000) - campus-wide oversight committee for curricular and programmatic issues.

Enrollment Management Committee (1997 - 2000) - campus-wide committee of the Academic Senate that determines priority registration and other enrollment related issues.

Faculty Search Committees - I have chaired two faculty search committees and participated in a number of others within the SLIS. This includes everything from writing the position descriptions, coordinating with our Equal Opportunity Office in the conduct of the search, communicating with all applicants, scheduling interviews, and informing applicants of the outcome of the search process.

Personnel Committees - every year I've been here I have served on either the first level or second level personnel committee regarding retention, promotion, and tenure decisions except for the years I was up for either tenure or promotion. The first level committee is strictly within the School of Library & Information Science; the second level committee combines our unit with a larger unit on campus.

Senate Library Committee (1997 - 1999) - campus-wide committee of the Academic Senate that advises on policy regarding the University library.

ACTIVITIES IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS

American Library Association (ALA) -- member since 1976. I've held a variety of committee positions for the Association and/or specific units of the Association. I've participated in a number of accreditation review panels as both member and chair. I've attended numerous annual and mid-year conferences over the years.

Association of Library and Information Science Educators (ALISE) -- member since 1981.

Special Libraries Association (SLA) -- member since 1981. I've held numerous committee appointments and elected positions at the Association level and local or chapter level. This includes serving as president of two different chapters, serving on the Association's Board of Directors, and serving as president of the Association. I've attended every annual conference since 1985, and helped with conference planning a number of times.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Major Presentations and Workshops (since 1995)

Presentation on the use of competency statements by LIS programs at the Association of Library and Information Science Educators conference in January 2005.

Presentation on professional education issues at the American Library Association conference in June 2004.

Presentation on "Determining Return-on-Investment" for the 2004 Betty Burrows Memorial Lecture sponsored by the Cleveland Chapter of SLA.

Presentation on "Negotiating Skills for Career Management" in January 2004 at a professional development workshop co-sponsored by the San Francisco Bay Region

Chapter of SLA and BAYNET.

In my capacity as President-Elect and President of the Special Libraries Association I have given a number of presentations at both local, regional, and international meetings during 2000 - 2003.

Presentation on "Valuing Intangible Assets" at the 2001 Stanford/ NLM Consumer Health Symposium – Bringing e-Content to the Consumer.

Presentation at the 1997 Southern California Online Users' Group spring conference dealing with the integration of web-based technology in teaching.

Presentation at the 1996 Special Libraries Association conference dealing with the accreditation of professional degree programs.

Presentation at the 1996 Southern California Electronic Library Consortium conference dealing with information literacy.

Feather River/Timberline Institutes – since 1990 I have attended and presented a paper at every Institute (except for 2003). The Institutes bring together librarians, administrators, publishers, and book/serial vendors and primarily focus on issues related to acquisitions and collection development, although other topics have also been included. My presentations have covered such topics as: education for acquisitions librarians, library-vendor relations, and electronic publishing.

SELECTED OTHER ACTIVITIES (since 1995)

Participant in a three-day workshop on "Intellectual Property Issues in Distance Learning," sponsored by the University of Missouri in May 1999.

Appointed to the City of San Jose/San Jose State University Joint Library Advisory Committee (Spring 1997 - Spring 1998) City committee appointed by the Mayor to advise on issues arising from a proposed joint city/university library facility.

MIVER team member (1996 – current) – the Military Installation Voluntary Education Review (MIVER) program is sponsored by the American Council of Education. Review teams evaluate both installation services, as well as individual schools offering degree programs to our military personnel. As a MIVER team member I have visited four Army posts, five Navy bases, four Marine Corps installations, and one Air Force base.

Participant in a three-day workshop on "Chairing the Academic Department," sponsored by the American Council on Education in February 1996.

Project Director for an inventory/descriptive index of the archival collection at Hearst Castle, San Simeon, CA from January through August 1995.

Member of the grant proposal reviewer pool for both the National Endowment for the Humanities (1995 - present) and the Institute for Museum and Library Services (1997 - present).