

Overview

- Instructor in history of books; codicology; paleography; incunabula; web design and programming; cultural markers in web design
- Consultant and project manager for digitization projects.

Education

PhD, Library and Information Science
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, IL, 1989

MA, Medieval History & Political Science
University of Dublin, Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland, 1984

MLIS, Library & Information Science
University of Wales, Aberystwyth, Aberystwyth, Wales, 1975

BA, Medieval History & Political Science
University of Dublin, Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland, 1974

Academic/ Administrative Experience

Associate Director, School of Information, San Jose State University, San Jose, CA. 2001–Present.

- Work closely with the Director of the School of Information to implement policies and help to guide the strategic direction of the school.
- Support the growth of the school through implementation of curriculum and technology initiatives.
- Serve as a graduate advisor and coordinate the e-Portfolio project necessary for completion of the program.

Graduate Coordinator, School of Information, San Jose State University, San Jose, CA. 1999–2002; 2009–Present.

Professor, School of Information, San Jose State University, San Jose, CA. 1996–Present.

Associate Professor, School of Information, San Jose State University, San Jose, CA. 1992–1996.

Assistant Professor, School of Information, San Jose State University, San Jose, CA. 1986–1992.

Industry Experience

Project Coordinator, CELDS Environmental Database
US Army Corps of Engineers, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, IL. 1984–1986.

Database Coordinator, Recidivism Database

Department of Justice, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, IL. 1983–1986.

Library Experience

Assistant Librarian

University of Dublin, Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland. 1975–1983.

Other Research & Consulting Experience

Consultant, Ceangal, 2009–Present.

Consultant, Relais Culture Europe, 2009–Present.

Consultant, Highlands and Islands Enterprise, 2009–Present.

Consultant, ISIS Consulting, 2009–Present.

Consultant, Hawaiian Department of Education and Hale Halona, 2004.

Computer network trainer, Wind River Indian Reservation, Wyoming, Volunteers in Technical Assistance (VITA), 1999.

Computer network trainer, Chiapas, Mexico, Volunteers in Technical Assistance (VITA), 1998.

Consultant, California Court of Appeals Library, San Francisco, CA, 1996.

Instructor, Internet Train the Trainer Workshops, California State University, Hayward (CSUH), 1996.

Consultant, Maritime Institute, San Francisco, CA, 1995–1996.

Computer network trainer, South Africa, Kenya, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Volunteers in Technical Assistance (VITA), 1995.

Instructor, California Department of Parks and Recreation, 1995.

Instructor, University of California-Davis Extension, 1994–1996.

Consultant, Mount Diablo Unified School District, 1994.

Research Consultant, University of California-Berkeley Institute of Transportation Studies competitive grant, 1994–1996.

Instructor, University of California-Berkeley Extension, Berkeley, CA, 1992–1997.

Publications

Books

Main, L. (2002). *Building Web Sites for a Multinational Audience*. Lanham, MD: Scarecrow Press.

Main, L., & Duval, B. (1992). *Automated Library Systems: A Librarian's Guide and Teaching Manual*. Darien, CT: Meckler Publishing Co.

Main, L., & Whitaker, C. (1991). *Automating Literacy: A Challenge for Libraries*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press.

Book Chapters

Main, L. (2008). Librarians: The best googlers in the world. In K. Haycock & B. Sheldon (Eds.), *The Portable MLIS* (pp. 147–159). Westport, CT: Libraries Unlimited.

Encyclopedia Articles

Main, L. (2000). JavaScript. In A. Kent & J.G. Williams (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Microcomputers* (Volume 25, pp. 185–240). Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press.

Peer-Reviewed Articles and Papers

- Main, L. (2001). The global information infrastructure: Empowerment or imperialism? *Third World Quarterly*, 22(1), 83–97.
- Main, L. (1998). WOOig the millennium. *Journal of Education for Library & Information Science*, 39(4), 339–342.
- Main, L. (1998). Web-based virtual classrooms: A model for LIS education. *Education for Information*, 16(4), 333–340.

Presentations

Conference Presentations

- Monitoring and leading online discussion forums*. (2006, July). Paper presented at the meeting of the Cultural Attitudes toward Technology and Communication (CATAC) Conference, Tartu, Estonia.
- Monitoring and leading online discussion forums*. (2004, July). Paper presented at the meeting of the Cultural Attitudes toward Technology and Communication (CATAC) Conference, Karlstad, Sweden.
- Monitoring and leading online discussion forums*. (2002, July). Paper presented at the meeting of the Cultural Attitudes toward Technology and Communication (CATAC) Conference, Montreal, Canada.
- Monitoring and leading online discussion forums*. (2000, July). Paper presented at the meeting of the Cultural Attitudes towards Technology and Communication (CATAC) Conference, Perth, Australia.
- Reflections on our changing profession*. (1998, Fall). Paper presented at the meeting of the Sacramento Chapter of the Special Library Association (SLA), Sacramento, CA.
- Preparing the profession: New education for new roles*. (1997, November). Paper presented at the meeting of the Internet Librarian '97 Conference, Monterey, CA.
- Building a conflict resolution web site and researching its use*. (1995, November). Paper presented at the meeting of the California Library Association (CLA) Research Forum, Sacramento, CA.
- Computer networked access to information resources on conflict resolution on South Africa*. (1995, May). Paper presented at the meeting of the Info Africa Nova Information Conference, Pretoria, South Africa.
- Adult illiteracy, functional context education and hypermedia software*. (1994, March). Paper presented at the meeting of the 11th International Conference on Technology and Education, University of London, London, England.

Workshops

- Internet Train the Trainers*. (1996, Spring). Workshops presented at the meeting of the Internet Train the Trainers Workshops, California State University, Hayward (CSUH), Hayward, CA.

Guest Lectures

- Not your mother's library school*. (2007, April). Guest lecture presented at the meeting of the American Distance Education Consortium (ADEC), San Francisco, CA.
- Library and Information Science Education in North America: Bridging the Gulf between Education and Practice*. (2004, March). Panel presentation given as part of the meeting of the Library of Congress Luminary Lecture Series,

Webcast.

Grants & Contracts Development, piloting, and evaluation of a new online Chinese language and culture course for MLIS students. (2011). SJSU Curricular Innovation. Principal Investigator: Linda Main, in partnership with the SJSU Department of World Languages and Literatures.

SOROS Foundation Grant. (2006). SOROS Foundation. Principal Investigator: Linda Main.

Website on conflict resolution. (1994–1996). U.S. Institute of Peace. Principal Investigator: Linda Main.

Service

Advisory and Editorial Boards

Columnist, with B. Duval, “Microcomputer Applications in Libraries,” *Library Software Review*, 1993–2000.

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