

# Mary Abdoney

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## EDUCATION

### University of Florida | Gainesville, Florida

Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology (1999)

### University of South Florida | Tampa, Florida

Master of Arts, Library and Information Science (2001)

## EXPERIENCE

### 2001: USGS Center for Coastal Geology | Saint Petersburg, Florida

*Graduate Intern:* As graduate intern, organized specialized scientific materials into a usable library, including a web-based catalog. Created a specialized classification system for a collection with a very specific subject range, and created a searchable database for users to quickly locate library materials. Also performed reference and instructional duties.

### 2001: Tampa Bay Library Consortium | Tampa, Florida

*Assistant Cataloger:* Assisted in electronic cataloging project for academic and public libraries in the Tampa Bay area, using OCLC software.

### 2001-2005: Eckerd College Library | Saint Petersburg, Florida

*Science Reference/Interlibrary Loan Librarian:* Took on many different roles as librarian, including regular reference hours, formal instruction of science students and faculty, collection development in the sciences, scholarly research, and participation in internal and external committees. Supervised staff and students in the Interlibrary Loan department, including a graduate intern from the local university. Used daily experiences to advise library policymakers on reference and collection issues. Served as a faculty member, teaching regularly in General Education program, participating in faculty committees, and serving as an evaluator on the Writing Committee.

### 2001-2005: E-Streams.com

*Reviewer:* Reviewed science and technology reference books for an e-zine designed for collection development librarians. Reviews submitted via Internet.

### 2006-Present: Washington & Lee University Telford Science Library | Lexington, Virginia

*Science Librarian:* Manages operations of the Telford Science Library, including collection development, instruction, reference, web development, and outreach to students and faculty. Also provides reference service in Leyburn Library, as well as serving on several committees pertaining to library services. Co-chair of Instruction Committee, which oversees and develops library instructional services for students as well as instructional materials. Maintains three blogs: Science Library Updates at [http://bloggery.wlu.edu/scilib\\_updates](http://bloggery.wlu.edu/scilib_updates), Science Library Weeding Updates at <http://bloggery.wlu.edu/sciweed>, and GIS@W&L at <http://bloggery.wlu.edu/GIS>. Collection development projects include a large-scale weeding of the general collection, a long-term weeding plan for the general collection, and a periodicals review and conversion to as many electronic periodicals as possible. Served on the steering committee for assessment for SACS (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools) reaccreditation to develop an institutional survey.

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## CONFERENCES, PUBLICATIONS, PRESENTATIONS

- ACRL Immersion 2002
- Information Literacy and Assessment 2005 (e-Learning seminar sponsored by ACRL and TLT)
- Learning Conference 2003
- American Library Association National Conference 2004, 2006, 2007
- American Library Association Midwinter Conference 2007
- Oberlin Group Science Librarians Meeting 2007
- Abdoney, Mary Michel. "Approaches to information literacy: Accommodating student needs in higher education." *International Journal of Learning* 10 (2003): 2715-2722.  
<http://infolit.cgpublisher.com/product/pub.30/prod.46>
- Abdoney, Mary. "Finite Spaces: JSTOR vs. Print at Washington and Lee University." Presentation at *Ripped from the Headlines: An ALCTS Forum*, American Library Association Midwinter Conference 2007. <http://library.wlu.edu/abdoney/midwinter2007/>
  - presented again at 2007 Oberlin Group Science Librarians Meeting

## COMMITTEES & ASSOCIATIONS

- American Library Association (ALA) 2001 to present
- Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) 2001 to present
- ACRL Instruction Section (ACRL IS) 2003 to present
- ACRL IS Policy and Publications Review Committee Intern 2006-2007
- ACRL Science and Technology Section (ACRL STS) 2001 to present
- ALA Library Instruction Roundtable (LIRT) 2006 to present
- LIRT Transitions to College Committee 2006 to present
- ALA Library Research Roundtable (LRRT) 2006
- Alpha Xi Delta Alumnae Association 1999 to present

## SKILLS

- Proficient user of both Windows and Mac OSX platforms
- Proficient user of Microsoft Office and Google Documents
- Proficient in several blogging platforms, including Wordpress, Blogger, Movable Type, and Blosome
- Some web design skills
- Familiarity with ArcGIS software suite by ESRI
- Excellent speaking and communication skills