

MARY ABDONEY, MLS

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

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

Science Librarian: Manage operations of the Telford Science Library, including instruction, reference, collection development, web development, and outreach to students and faculty. Provide reference service in Leyburn Library, as well as serving on several committees pertaining to library services and resources. Co-chair of Instruction Committee, which oversees and develops library instructional services for students as well as instructional materials and learning objects. Develop and maintain the University Library's Facebook, YouTube, Twitter and instant messenger accounts. 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. Supervise one paraprofessional and indirectly supervise a team of students who staff the circulation desk.

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 public service and collection issues. Served as a faculty member, teaching regularly in the 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 a collection development e-zine. Reviews submitted via email.

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.

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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 Librarian 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 2008
- ALA Library Instruction Roundtable (LIRT) 2006 to present
- LIRT Transitions to College Committee 2006 to 2008
- ALA Library Research Roundtable (LRRT) 2006
- Alpha Xi Delta Alumnae Association 1999 to present

SKILLS

- Excellent speaking, communication, facilitation and leadership skills
- Proficient user of both Windows and Mac operating systems
- Proficient user of Microsoft Office and Google Documents
- Proficient user of several blogging platforms, including Wordpress, Blogger, and Movable Type
- Proficient user of other types of social software such as wikis, instant messaging, social bookmarking, Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, Tumblr, etc.
- Familiarity with SAKAI course management software
- Familiarity with ArcGIS software suite by ESRI
- Familiarity with Millenium ILS
- Continually developing web design skills