

Curriculum Vita

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Education

MLS December 1982 Vanderbilt University (Nashville TN)
 MA 1968 English, University of Tennessee (Knoxville)
 BA 1967 (magna cum laude) Belmont College (Nashville TN)
 major: English; minor: French

Professional Experience

Tenured 1987; promoted to Professor, August 16, 1995

April 18, 2011- Interim Dean, WKU Libraries

Nov. 2002 – April 17, 2011 Head, Department of Library Technical Services
 Serials Coordinator, WKU Libraries

Feb. 1984-Oct. 2002 Serials Coordinator/Professor, Dept. of Library Automation & Technical Services

March 1983-Feb.1984 Interim Serials Supervisor and Data/Book Processing Supervisor

Oct.1978-Feb.1984 Data/Book Processing Supervisor, WKU Libraries

1978: Temporary staff positions, WKU Kentucky Library & Museum
 and Library Automation & Technical Services

1976-1978: Instructor, part-time, Dept. of English WKU

1974-1977: Library Services clerical assistant WKU Libraries

1971-1973: Instructor, part-time English, John A. Logan Community College, Carterville IL

1970-1971: Instructor, English, Radford College, Radford VA

1968-1970: Teacher, Language Arts, grades 7-9, Apollo Junior High School, Nashville TN

Publications Other than Articles

Contributor to Elsevier's "Library Connect LIS Pamphlet" (Dec. 12, 2005)

Contributed article to Elsevier's LIS brochure, "How to Get Published in LIS Journals: A Practical Guide," p.5; ((Pamphlet included in the 4th ed. of *Basic Research Methods for Librarians* (Greenwood Publishing); second edition, 2005.

Cited in Jim Mouw's *LCATS* editorial for covering the Faxon demise. (v.28, no.4-2004)

Cited in EBSCO's "At Your Service Online" in article about electronic data input and EBSCO's role in our transition to EDI (no.67, 2004)

Produced new membership brochure for NASIG for distribution at conferences, in library schools, and at state library meetings. (spring 2002, 4000 printed)

Advances in Serials Management, v.6 (JAI Press, 1997): "The Impact of the Faxon Company on the Serials Community, 1881-1996," pp.187-236.

Monograph: (1995) *The Faxon Company: Linked to Three Centuries, A Company History, 1881-1991* (227 pages).

WKU Subject Guide to Current Periodicals with Title Listing 1989-2004/05; title listing discontinued in 2001; *WKU Subject Guide to Current Periodicals* converted to Web-based document in summer 2005.

NASIG brochure: "Shaping a Serials Specialist"; reprinted in spring 2000 *ALA Whole Library Handbook*.

1992-1993: Public Service Announcements: Radio Scripts for KQED-FM San Francisco, "Free Treasures from the Federal Government," and "Parades, Proms, and Pageants" as promotions for "Check It Out."

1989 *ALA Library Publicity Book*, Academic Library Section (contributions pp.23-24, 26-28).

Articles

"Fishing for Leadership," *C&RL News*, v.71, no.11 (Dec. 2010): 603-605

Research Brief: "A New Journey for *The Western Scholar*," fall 2006, *Western Scholar Serials Review* as Editor since v.27:

v.37, no.1 (final editorial): Editorial: Journeys and Pathways, A Different Road

v.36, no.1 (2010): Editorial: If You Could Freeze-Frame the Information Flow, What Would You Do?

v.35, no.1 (2009): Editorial: What Are Your Favorites?

v.35, no.3 created special issue on Asia-Pacific Repositories: Developments, Publishing and Research

v.34, no.4 (2008): Editorial: Random Thoughts about Volume 34, 2008, and Some Insights into Journal Production

v.34, no.1 (2008): Special focus: Open Access Revisited

v.33, no.2 (2007) Editorial: *Serials Review*, a Changing World, You and I

v.32, no.1 (2006) Editorial: "The Serials Information Chain"

v.32, no.2 (2006) – Focus on Archival Issues, and In Memoriam "Vision and Commitment: Deana Astle"

v.32, no.3 (2006) Focus on Federated Searching

v.31, no.4 (2005) –Focus issue on publisher initiatives with developing countries and also tribute "In Memoriam" for Marla Schwartz in that issue.

v.30, no.4 (2004) edited special issue of *Serials Review* on Open Access. Involved 11 contributed papers for volume 30, no.4 (2004)

v.29, no.1 (2003) Editorial "The Reality of One Year in Review," v.29, no.1, pp.1-2, and "Introduction" to ICOLC preferred practices on e-journal information, pp.3-4.

v.29, no.2 (2003) Two "In Memoriam" pieces (Frank Clasquin and Alfred Jaeger, both noteworthy leaders in the serials industry), pp.72-75

v.29, no.3 "Abstracting and Indexing Information Services," introduction/focus, p.199 for articles I solicited to be published that represent different A&I services.

v.29, no.4 “Reflections on the Faxon Company, --in lieu of editorial I solicited contributions from people about the demise of the Faxon Company and wrote the lead article.

Other Publications (partial)

Conference Report: ITHAKA Sustainable Scholarship 2010, *Serials Review*, v.37, iss. 1 (March 2011): 55-58.

Guest Editorial for “NASIG Celebrates the Big 20” for its anniversary publication for the May 2005 conference

NASIG *Newsletter* (v.19, no.4, p.25- 2004): Liaison report to NASIG from ALCTS Serials Section

1999: “Professional Growth of Librarians,” *Kentucky Libraries*, 63.3 (1999): 4-9.

Aug. 1992-summer 1999: “Looking Back” column editor for *Kentucky Libraries*.

1999: “Color Us Bold,” Ohio Valley Group of Technical Services Librarians (OVGTSL) conference report, *Serials Review* 24, no. 3/4 (1998), 142-144 (distributed mid-April 1999).

1998: “Charles W. Bishop: The Man Behind Coden” *Serials Review* 24.3/4 (1998): 122-130. [The first contribution in a new column called “Serial Conversations”]

1997: 2 articles in *Against the Grain*, Dec. 1997.

Essay winner: “What OCLC Means to Me,” published for their 25th anniversary.

1996: “ALCTS Creative Ideas in Technical Services Discussion Group.” *Library Acquisitions Practice and Theory* 20.2 (1996): 185-186.

“Damaged Periodicals: A Wet Trail Yields Dry Results.” *Serials Review* 22.1 (1996): 33-37.

1995: “Recorder or Reporter: What’s in a Name?” *NASIG Newsletter* 10.2 (Apr. 1995): 19.

“ALA Midwinter Report on Electronic Information.” *InFocus* (Spring 1995): 3.

1994: “Proceeding(s) Ahead” and “NASIG Conference Proceedings Available,” *NASIG Newsletter* 9.5 (Dec. 1994): 6-7

“Serials Cancellation Projects: Two Viewpoints,” report from the 9th annual NASIG Conference, *Serials Librarian* 24.3/4 (1994): 197-201.

1993: “The Net Result: Enthusiasm for the Internet.” *Information Technology and Libraries*. 12.4 (1993): 433-436.

1992: “Current Periodicals: Subject Access the Mac Way.” *Macintosh Libraries* 5 (1992): 10-14.

1991 “Ask Your Librinfolist?” *Journal of Academic Librarianship* 16.6 (Jan.1991): 362-363.

1990: “Subject Access to Periodicals: A Main-Mac Combo.” *College & Research Libraries News*, 51.2 (Feb. 1990): 114-115.

“The Subscription Agent and the ILS Vendor: A Marriage Made in Heaven?” *Serials Librarian*, 17.1/4 (winter 1990): 187-189, report from 4th NASIG Conference.

1988: Staff Considerations in Technical Services: The Chameleon Approach.” *Journal of Library Administration* 9.1 (spring 1988): 71-85.

1987: “The Voice of Too Many Systems.” *Kentucky Libraries*. 51.3 (summer 1987): 10.

Presentations

2010 (January): American Library Association, Boston, “When Conversation Captures Content, the Repository Grows”

2008 (June): North American Serials Interest Group (NASIG) conference, Strategy Session: Institutional Repositories--Strategies for the Present and Future with Jean-Gabriel Banker (bepress) and Glenn Wiley (Cornell)

2007 (August): Engaging the Spirit 2007: TopSCHOLAR®™: Creating Information Possibilities (WKU faculty conference)

2007: June - ALCTS panel at ALA, Washington, DC: Why Johnnie and Jane Can't Get Published – ongoing launch of TopSCHOLAR®™, The Research and Creative Activity Database of Western Kentucky University (the state's first Digital Commons repository)

2005 May 17-22 - NASIG Conference Minneapolis: Vision Panel, Keynote Session #2

2004 April 14 - "Insights into Getting Published: Tips for Librarians," Indiana Library Federation annual conference, Indianapolis IN.

2003 May 15- "The Inside Track to Getting Published," presented at the Ohio Valley Group of Technical Services Librarians conference, Terre Haute IN, (40 minute presentation, 40 people attending). Of evaluations submitted; 16 rated excellent, 1 good.

2003 January 26 and recent years (including ALA midwinter 2006) - Participated in Elsevier's "Meet the Editors" session at their booth at ALA Midwinter meetings, explain requirements and value of publishing in scholarly journals

2001 (Heriot-Watt, Edinburgh) and 2000 (Keele University) United Kingdom Serials Group Conference—brought greetings from NASIG. 2001 speech printed in *Serials* 14, no.2 (July 2001): 154-155.

2005, 2000, 1996, 1995, 1994: Convener for sessions at the annual NASIG conference

1999 Oct.1: A keynote speaker at Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico's 7th meeting on scholarly and research journals. "The Professional Growth of Librarians: Small Steps and Giant Leaps in Providing Information Services," Mexico City

1997: KLA/SLA spring meeting 4-hour workshop: Serials Acquisitions: Navigating Through Familiar and Uncharted Waters.

1994, Sept. 30: "In Touch with the Future: Promoting Librarianship as a Career." poster session at KLA conference, Louisville. Co-presented with Rose Davis, Janice Masannat.

1993, 1992, 1991: Presentations at the WKU Library Faculty Research Retreat

1992: panelist "Faculty Status in Kentucky Libraries," KLA annual conference

1990: panelist "Automated Serials Control in Kentucky." KY SOLINET Users Group, ECU

Grants

1990 Faculty Research Grant (\$325) to conduct research at the ALA Archives in Urbana-Champaign in preparation for monograph on The Faxon Company

1989 Faculty Development Grant to attend "Analytical Skills Institute" sponsored by Office of Management Services, ARL. Institute held in Austin TX.

Honors/Awards

2008 (April): University Libraries Faculty Award for Public Service

2007, Jan. 19: Provost's Initiative for Excellence Grant to fund digital repository

2006, March 5: Received \$2160 Provost's Initiative for Excellence to purchase bibliographic records for 2 sets of microforms we have to enhance opac resources (Travels in the West and Southwest and Oberlin College Anti-Slavery Collection)

2005: Faculty participation in "Engaging in the Spirit Conference" \$1000 professional development fund from provost's initiative to award colleges and departments with highest attendance.

2004: Department won its second exemplary achievement award (\$1000) and received one every year since through current 2010 award; 2006/07: Exemplary Achievement Award \$3000 for TopSCHOLAR® initiative; 2005/06: Exemplary Achievement Award \$2500 for FISHosophy!

2003 August 12: Awarded \$1000 for Unit Productivity Award

1999 Outstanding Academic Librarian, Kentucky Library Association

1996 and 1988 University Libraries Award for Research/Creative Activity

1995 EBSCO/ALA Conference Scholarship

Sabbatical Granted for Fall 1991 (worked on the history of the Faxon Company, spent one month in Westwood, Mass.)

1989 Inducted into Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society (lifetime member)

WKU Chapter President, 1998/99, 1999/2000

Professional Organizations and Memberships

American Library Association, 1982-

Association of Library Collections & Technical Services, 1982-1993, 1999-

ALCTS and CRS Nominating Committees, 2011/2012

NASIG Liaison to Serials Section of ALCTS, 2001-2003 reappointed for 2003-2005

2008 Chair-Elect - Continuing Resources Section of ALCTS/ALA; Chair, 2009/10; Past Chair, 2010/2011.

ALA/ALCTS-Serials Section Policy, Research, and Publications Committee member, post-ALA 2002-2004; renamed Research and Publications Committee and appointed 2004-2006;

ALCTS Publications Committee, SS representative, 2005-2007

Association of College & Research Libraries, 1982-1992, 1994-1998

North American Serials Interest Group (NASIG) 1986-

Vice-President/President Elect 1999-2002 (President, June 2000-May 2001; then Past President/Publicist, May 2001-June 2002)

Co-Chair Program Planning Committee 1998/99 for 1999 Pittsburgh conference

Secretary 1996-1998

Member-at-Large 1993-1995

Strategic Planning Task Force, June 2002-June 2003

2007 Conference Planning Committee, Consultant; Mentor to a First-Time Participant

Kentucky Library Association, 1978-

Academic Library Section, 1978-

Newsletter Committee, 1991/92, 1993/95, Site Selection 1996/97

Ad Hoc Committee to Upgrade *Kentucky Libraries*, May-Oct. 1995

Ohio Valley Group of Technical Services Librarians, 1978- ; Conference Planning Chair, 1998

Host the 2007 conference in Bowling Green Ky (some planning responsibilities)

Public Service

Editor, *Serials Review*, v.28 (2002)-v.37 (2011)

Editorial Board of *Serials Review*, 1995-2000

External Reviewer for many colleagues for promotion and tenure

Oct. 2006, state-wide committee Next Generation Library Systems

Nominated Eric Morgan (Notre Dame) for Bowker/Ulrich Serials Librarianship Award; he received award at 2002 ALA conference in Atlanta
 4-H Career Shadow Mentor for academic librarianship, 1994-1997, 1999, 2000,2003
 First Baptist Church Library Committee, 1988-1998; 2006-
 Judge/Interviewer Future Business Leaders of America Region II Conference, 1985-88, 1990, 1992-
 Volunteer for WKYU-FM fund drives
 Volunteer, Southern Kentucky Book Festival
 Friend of WKU Libraries & Museum

University Service (Selected items)

Primo Implementation Project Team Chair, 2010- current
 Ad Hoc Committee: WKU Libraries Introspective Report 2011, current
 Digital Measures Implementation Committee, 2007-2009
 Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Continuance, Feb.18-March 15, 2002
 University Committee, Academic Program Review, 1999-2002
 University Athletics Committee, 1996-1999; reappointed 1999-2002; appointed 2009-2012
 Chair, Subcommittee on Academic Integrity for NCAA Interim Report
 NCAA Subcommittee on Equity, Welfare, and Sportsmanship for recertification, spring 2003
 (appointed by Deborah Wilkins, University General Counsel)
 Faculty Regent's Advisory Committee: Ray Mendel, 1993-1995; Mary Ellen Miller, 1999-2002
 Judge, Sigma Xi Research Conference, WKU South Campus, April 10, 1999
 Chair, University Advisory Committee on Faculty Continuance, 1994-1995
 University Wellness Committee, 1992-1996
 SACS Principal Committee on Undergraduate Education, 1992/93-1993/94
 University Academic Probation Committee, Nov. 1989-Nov.1993
 Academic Council, 1983/84-1986/87, 1990/91-1991/92, 1994/95-1996/98
 Rules Committee 1994/95-1996/98
 Academic Requirements & Regulations 1990/91-1991/92

Library Service (Selected Items)

TopSCHOLAR® Project Director (a university-wide initiative, based in the library) serves the University Community by providing global access to WKU's intellectual efforts for faculty, staff and students, 2007- : SelectedWorks implementation, summer 2008-
 Institutional Repository Task Force, Chair, Fall 2006/Spring 2007
 Serials Review Committee, 1983-2010
 Fine Arts Committee, 1992-
 Electronic Information Resources Committee (now Electronic and Continuing Resources), 1997-2010
 Search Committees
 Chair, Literary Outreach part-time assistant, 2011
 Member, Marketing Coordinator for WKU Libraries, spring 2006
 Chair, Director of Ky Library and Museum, March 17, 2003- May 2004
 Chair, Task Force on Serials Management Systems, August 2003-February 2004