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EDUCATION

Ph.D. – Communication, Information & Library Studies, Rutgers University (2012)
M.S. – Library and Information Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (2003)
M.A. – Religious Studies, the University of Chicago Divinity School (2000)
B.A. – Religious Studies, Smith College (1998)
Junior Year Abroad at Hebrew University of Jerusalem (1996-1997)

ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

School of Information Sciences (formerly GSLIS)
The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, Illinois
Assistant Professor (August 2012 - present)

St. Mark's (now Keller) Library

The General Theological Seminary of the Episcopal Church, New York, New York
Associate Director and Reference Librarian (July 2006 - August 2008)
Reference Librarian (August 2003 - June 2006)

BOOKS

Knox, E.J.M. (2015). *Book Banning in 21st Century America*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.
Knox, E. (2009). *Document Delivery and Interlibrary Loan on a Shoestring*. New York, NY: Neal Schuman.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Knox, E.J.M. & Oltmann, S. (Accepted). Social responsibility, censorship, and the ALA: The 2015 Banned Books Week controversy. *Library Quarterly*.
Oltmann, S., Peterson, C. & **Knox, E.J.M.** (Accepted). Analyzing challenges to library materials: An incomplete picture. *Public Library Quarterly*.
Oltmann, S.M., **Knox, E.J.M.**, Peterson, C. & Musgrave, S. (2015). Using open records laws for research purposes. *Library & Information Science Research*, 37(4), 323-328.

Knox, E.J.M. (2014). Society, institutions, and common sense: Themes in the discourse of challengers in 21st century United States. *Library & Information Science Research*, 36(3-4), 171-178.

Knox, E.J.M. (2014). Intellectual freedom and the agnostic-postmodernist view of reading effects. *Library Trends*, 63(1).

Knox, E.J.M. (2014). The books will still be in the library: Narrow definitions of censorship in the discourse of challengers. *Library Trends*, 62(4), 740-749.

Knox, E.J.M. (2014). Supporting intellectual freedom: Symbolic capital and practical philosophy in librarianship. *The Library Quarterly*, 84(1), 8-21

Knox, E. (2011). Intellectual freedom: Internet resources. *Public Services Quarterly*, 7(1), 49-55. doi:10.1080/15228959.2010.520593

Knox, E. (2007). How one part-time library staff member can provide interlibrary loan service. *Journal of Interlibrary Loan, Document Delivery & Electronic Reserve*, 17(4), 87-94.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Knox, E.J.M. (2016). Ethics and reference services. In L. Smith and M. Wong (Eds.), *Reference and Information Services* (5th ed.). Englewood, CO: Libraries Unlimited.

Knox, E. (2014). Religion and intellectual freedom. In M. Alfino & L. Koltutsky (Eds.). *The Library Juice Handbook of Intellectual Freedom*. Sacramento, CA: Library Juice Press.

- Winner of the 2016 Eli M. Oboler Memorial Award for the best published work in the area of intellectual freedom.

Knox, E. (2013). The challengers of West Bend: An institutional approach. In L.S. Robbins & C. Pawley (Eds.). *Libraries and the Reading Public in Twentieth-Century America*. Madison, WI: University of Wisconsin Press.

ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW

Darch, P. & Knox, E.J.M. (Under review). Ethical perspectives on data and software sharing in the sciences: A research agenda. *Library & Information Science Research*

EDITED BOOK UNDER CONTRACT

Trigger warnings: History, theory, context. (Expected publication date 2017). Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.

INVITED TALK

Understanding Book Challengers. (2016, March). Panelist on Libraries and Public Access to Books: The Lawrence Clark Powell Lecture. 2016 Tucson Festival of Books. University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ.

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PAPERS & PANELS

- Knox, E.J.M. (2016, November). “*How Teachers, Parents, and Communities Can Keep Students Reading.*” Panel at the Annual Conference of the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE), Atlanta, GA.
- Knox, E.J.M. (2016, July). *This book is inappropriate: Language, order, and reading.* Panel at the Annual Conference of the Society for the History of Authorship, Reading & Publishing (SHARP), Paris, France.
- Knox, E.J.M. (2016, June). *Dirty" materials out of place: Inappropriate books and social classification.* Paper at the Annual Conference of the American Library Association (ALA), Library History Roundtable, Orlando, FL.
- Burgess, J., **Knox, E.**, Mon, L., Perry, H.B., Ross, J.M., & Steele, J. (2016, January). Juried panel: *Radical change and ethical practice in the LIS classroom.* Annual Conference of the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE), Boston, MA.
- Augusto, A., Goldsmith A. & **Knox, E.** (2015, June). *Voices from the field: Methodology and more in library research.* Presentation at the Annual Conference of the American Library Association (ALA), San Francisco, CA.
- Knox, E. (2015, April). *Teenagers are not young adults: Age, innocence, and the censorship of children's literature.* Paper presented at Outlawed: The Naked Truth About Censored Literature for Young People, Fresno, CA.
- Garner, M. & **Knox, E.** (2015, March). *Ethical issues of Open Access.* Presentation at Biannual Conference of the Association for College and Research Libraries (ACRL), Portland, OR.
- Knox, E. (2015, January). *The books will still be in the library: Narrow definitions of censorship in the discourse of challengers.* Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE), Chicago, IL.
- Knox, E. (2014, November). *It's the book's fault: Youth, intellectual freedom & librarianship.* Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Social Science History Association (SSHA), Toronto, Canada.
- Knox, E. (2014, September). *Reading should edify the soul: Religious reading and book challenges in the contemporary United States.* Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Society for the History of Authorship, Reading & Publishing (SHARP), Antwerp, Belgium.
- Knox, E. (2014, March). *The geography of censorship: Communities, challenges, and Harry Potter.* Note presented at the iConference, Berlin, Germany.
- Knox, E. (2013, July). *Harry Potter and the geography of censorship.* Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Society for the History of Authorship, Reading & Publishing (SHARP), Philadelphia, PA.

Knox, E., Pekoll, K., Perez, N. & Reimers, S. (2013, June). “How a book is saved: Challenges and how to fight them,” Presentation at the American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

Knox, E. (2012, September). *Political protest and interpretation: The Tucson Unified School District book “ban.”* Paper presented at Protest on the Page: Print Culture History in Opposition to Almost Anything* (*you can think of): A Conference of the Center for the History of Print and Digital Culture, Madison, WI.

Knox, E. (2011, January). *Agnostic vs. Traditional: An historical analysis of competing reading effects models.* Paper presented at the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) Conference, San Diego, CA.

Knox, E. (2010, September). *Censorship and religious reading: An institutional approach.* Paper presented at the Library History Seminar XII: Libraries in the History of Print Culture, Madison, WI.

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE POSTERS

Knox, E. (2013, February). *Reading practices and intellectual freedom research.* Poster presented at the iConference, Fort Worth, TX.

Knox, E. (2012, January). *The discourse of censorship: Understanding the worldviews of challengers.* Semi-finalist in ALISE/Jean Tague-Sutcliffe Doctoral Student Research Poster Competition presented at the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) Conference, Dallas, TX.

Knox, E. (2011, February). *A confirmatory factor analysis of library use.* Poster presented at the iConference, Seattle, WA.

OTHER PRESENTATIONS

Panelist for History of Intellectual Freedom and Censorship webinar sponsored by the Freedom to Read Foundation (November 11, 2016).

Panelist for “Dialogues: Trigger Warnings: Balancing Academic Freedom and Survivor Support.” Illinois Women’s Resource Center, (April 11, 2016).

Panelist for Association for College and Research Libraries (ACRL) webinar “Academic Freedom in the Digital Age,” (September 30, 2015).

Co-Moderator for “Should I tweet that? Academic freedom and social media” at the Annual Conference of the American Library Association (ALA), San Francisco, CA. (June 27, 2015).

Discussant for “Reading without Books: Experiences of Print in Everyday Life in Imperial China, Tang through Qing” International Conference, Urbana, IL (September 2014).

Panelist on Laura Poitras’s documentary *Citizenfour* at the Art Theater Co-Op, Champaign IL. (January 7, 2015).

Presenter on Makerspaces at the Heartland Maker Fest, Urbana, IL (October 18, 2014).

Presenter on the “Geography of censorship and mapping information access” for the GSLIS Youth, Literature & Culture Research Group (September 26, 2014).

Presenter on “The geography of censorship: Communities, challenges, and Harry Potter,” GSLIS Research Showcase (March 14, 2014).

Panelist for “Experiences from the Field,” LIS Access Midwest Program (LAMP) 2013 Summer Institute (May 31, 2013).

Presenter on “Reading practices and intellectual freedom research,” 2013 GSLIS Research Showcase (March 29, 2013).

Moderator for post-screening discussion of *Precious Knowledge* (March 7, 2013).

Co-Presenter on career exploration for GSLIS student advising Nuts ‘n’ Bolts session (February 7, 2013).

Co-Presenter on research for GSLIS Connections (October 24, 2012).

Panelist on academic librarianship during fall 2012 LEEP Weekend (October 6, 2012).

Panelist for “E-reserves and copyright,” American Theological Library Association (ATLA) Annual Conference, St. Louis (June 20, 2009).

Creator and presenter of “Web 2.0 and your library: Figuring out what works” for New York Area Theological Library Association (NYATLA) (November 28, 2008).

Co-moderator for roundtable “Dealing with challenging patrons.” American Theological Library Association (ATLA) Annual Conference, Ottawa (June, 27, 2008).

Panelist for “Social networking by Facebook: Case studies for libraries.” American Theological Library Association (ATLA) Annual Conference, Ottawa (June 28, 2008).

HONORS

2015 WISE Instructor of the Year

2015 Illinois Library Association Intellectual Freedom Award

2014 Rutgers University School of Communication & Information iConference Doctoral Dissertation Award Nominee

2012 Recipient of the SC&I Ph.D. Program Outstanding continuing Doctoral Student Award

2011 Recipient of the SC&I LIS Faculty Teaching Assistant Award

2011 Center for International Scholarship in School Libraries Barham Scholar

2008 School of Communication and Information Diversity Fellow
Beta Phi Mu (inducted 2004)

TEACHING & ADVISING EXPERIENCE

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (August 2012 – present)

School of Information Sciences (formerly GSLIS)

Courses Taught

Intellectual Freedom and Censorship (Fall 2012, Spring 2014, Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016)

Information Policy (Spring 2016)

Information Ethics (Spring 2015, Summer 2016)

Information Organization and Access (Fall 2013, Fall 2014, Fall 2015)

Libraries, Information, and Society (Spring 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2016)

Reference and Information Services (Spring 2013, Fall 2013)

Advising

Doctoral Student – Emily Lawrence (Fall 2014 -)

Master's Student Thesis – Jessica Colbert (Fall 2016 -)

Supervision

Independent Study

Emily Wallace – Censorship and Harry Potter– Fall 2014

Rachel Suntop – Libraries and Makerspaces – Spring 2015

Emily Lawrence – Genre Theory & Aesthetics – Summer 2015

Joy Wohlman Boyce – Intellectual Freedom in Military Libraries – Fall 2015

Ruohua Han – Intellectual Freedom and Archives – Fall 2016

Practicum

Summer 2013 – Jennifer Wall

Fall 2013 – Lucas McKeever, Graham Stephensen

Spring 2014 – Laura Kosrow, Melissa Low, Chatherine Sheeley

Summer 2014 – Jessica McQuillan, Caitlin Stamm, Kristen Zidon

Fall 2014 – Paula Albers, Melissa Alberran

Fall 2015 – Michelle Urberg

Spring 2016 – Nancy Bialek, Holly Soboroff, Michelle Urberg

Fall 2016 – Kathleen Lucas

Rutgers University (August 2010 – August 2012)

School of Communication & Information

Department of Library and Information Science

Instructor

Reference Sources and Services (Summer 2012)

Retrieving and Evaluating Online Information (Summer 2012)

Introduction to Information Technology and Informatics (Fall 2011)

Teaching Assistant

Introduction to Information Technology and Informatics (Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Spring 2012)

SERVICE

To the Profession

National Boards

Board Member National Coalition Against Censorship (2016 -)

Board Member Freedom to Read Foundation (2016 -)

Director & Interim Treasurer Beta Phi Mu Executive Board (2015 -)

Editorial & Advisory Boards

Member of the *Journal of Intellectual Freedom & Privacy* Editorial Board (2016 -)

Member of the *Library Trends* Advisory Board (2016 -)

Member of the *Library Quarterly* Editorial Board (2015 -)

Member of the Editorial Advisory Board for *Foundations of Library and Information Science* by Richard E. Rubin (American Library Association, 2015)

Association Committees

Treasurer of the Association for Information Science and Technology Information Policy (ASIS&T) SIG (2015 -)

Co-convener Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) Information Ethics SIG (2015 -)

Vice-Chair of the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) Professional Values Committee (July 2015 -)

Member of the ACRL Professional Values Committee (July 2013 -)

Member of the American Theological Library Association (ATLA) Membership Advisory Committee (2006 - 2009)

Member of American Theological Library Association (ATLA) Public Services Interest Group Steering Committee of the (2006 - 2009)

Other Service

Invited Participant in White House Office of Science and Technology Policy Nation of Makers - Makerspace Organizers Meeting and Workshop (August 24, 2016)

Invited Participant in Revisiting the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA): Ten Years Later Symposium. Sponsored by Google, ALA Office for Information Technology Policy, and ALA Office for Intellectual Freedom (July 29-30, 2013)

Reviewing

Jury Member for 2015 ProQuest Doctoral Dissertation Award

Article Reviewer for the *Library Quarterly*, *Library and Information Science Research*, *Information & Culture*

Reviewer of submissions to the iConference (2015, 2015, 2016, 2017)

Reviewer of submissions to the Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T) Annual Conference (2015, 2016, 2017)

Reviewer of submissions to the Rutgers Media Studies Conference: Extending Play (2015, 2016)

Jury Member for Library Juice Press Annual Paper Contest (2014)
Reviewer of submissions to the Library Research Seminar VI (2014)
Metareviewer of submissions to the Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T) Annual Conference (2014)
Jury Member of Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIST) Book Award Committee (2013)

School of Information Sciences

Head of the Undergraduate Degree Steering Committee (2015 -)
Member of the Executive Committee (2014 - 2016)
Faculty Liaison to the Alpha Chapter of Beta Phi Mu (2014 -)
Member of the Curriculum Committee (2012 - 2014)
Representative to Task Force for Inclusion for the Curriculum Committee (2012 – 2013)

Previous Service

Treasurer of the Rutgers University Graduate Students Association (2010 – 2012)
Treasurer of the SC&I Doctoral Students Association (2008 – 2010)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Library Association (ALA)

- Association for College and Research Libraries (ACRL)
- Black Caucus of the American Library Association (BCALA)
- Freedom to Read Foundation (FTRF)

Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T)
Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE)
Society for the History of Authorship, Reading & Publishing (SHARP)

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

General Theological Seminary of the Episcopal Church, St. Mark's (now Keller) Library, New York, New York

Associate Director and Reference Librarian (July 2006 - August 2008)

- Managed day-to-day operation of the library including all public and technical services functions.
- Supervised and evaluated full-time library staff.
- Trained, supervised, and evaluated student workers and part-time library assistants.
- Assisted in the planning and implementation of library policies and procedures.
- Assisted library director in preparation of library budget.
- Performed all reference librarian duties.

Reference Librarian (August 2003 - June 2006)

- Provided in-person and virtual reference services to students, faculty, staff, and outside researchers at 240,000-volume academic library.
- Taught research and preservation skills to students including FirstSearch, Voyager, and Internet searching.
- Maintained all aspects of electronic research including electronic journals control.

- Handled all aspects of interlibrary loan lending approximately 250 items per year.
- Provided access to 30,000 volume special collection of rare books and manuscripts.
- Supervised two interns in various special projects.
- Managed implementation of Endeavor Voyager integrated library system including uploading and maintenance of clients and installation of proxy server.
- Designed, developed, and maintain library website.

McGarry Library, St. Francis College, Brooklyn, New York

Part-Time Reference Librarian (January 2007 - July 2008)

- Provided in-person reference services to students and faculty for a college with 2,000 students.
- Provided instruction for print and electronic resources including ProQuest, WilsonWeb, and EbscoHost.
- Supervised circulation and periodical staff.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & SERVICE

Keymember of Makerspace Urbana (2012 – present)

Member of the planning committee for the Champaign-Urbana Mini Maker Faire and the Heartland Maker Fest (2012 – present)

Treasurer of the William Alexander Proctor Board Foundation (2011 – 2013)

Treasurer of the Junior League of Brooklyn (2006 – 2008)

Assistant Treasurer of the Junior League of Brooklyn (2004 – 2006)