

# NEW & DEVELOPING ACADEMIC HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARIES (NDHSL) COMMITTEE

## Report for AAHSL Board – November 2016

### MLA News “Born Digital” Article Series Continues

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Under the leadership of committee member **Nadine Dexter**, Director of the Health Sciences Library at the University of Central Florida College of Medicine, *MLA News* now features a “Born Digital” article series. The series informs readers about “born digital” successes, struggles and initiatives.

The first article, by Nadine and **Elizabeth (Liz) Lorbeer**, was an introduction and overview of the Born Digital series. The second article, by **Joanne Muellenbach** and **Matthew Wilcox** was on the topic of library space planning. A third installment on staffing was co-authored by Nadine and **Bradley Long**.

Upcoming articles will focus on LCME Requirements and Medical Informatics.

### Mentor Program

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Committee member **Joanne Muellenbach**, Director of the Health Sciences Library at the University of Nevada- Las Vegas, has developed a framework for a mentor program for new and developing health sciences libraries.

#### Overview

The Mentoring Program is being established in order to provide new library directors, or those in a medical library leadership role, for new and developing medical colleges, with advice and guidance, as well as the opportunity to work together and to network within the AAHSL community.

Mentors will be current members of AAHSL who have agreed to advise and guide the new library directors or medical library leaders, of new and developing medical colleges. AAHSL mentors will guide AAHSL mentees as they learn about their new roles, and in their future goals. The AAHSL New & Developing Academic Health Sciences Libraries Committee will pair mentors with mentees.

## Committee Activities & Updates

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The Committee held an open meeting at the May 2016 MLA Conference in Toronto.

**New Schools:** New Applicant and Candidate MD Programs schools include:

- California University of Science and Medicine, College of Medicine, in Colton, CA.
- Seton Hall – Hackensack School of Medicine, in South Orange, NJ.
- TCU and UNTHSC School of Medicine in Fort Worth, TX.
- College of Henricopolis School of Medicine, in Martinsville, VA.
- Washington State University Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine, in Spokane, WA.

### Individual Updates

**Lisa Ennis**, Library Director, Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine, in Dothan, Alabama. Barbara Shearer has retired, and Lisa has been named the new Library Director. Their Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine program has an enrollment of 120 students per class. They have embedded three courses in their Simulation Lab. Regarding their information literacy agenda, they are tying the entrustable professional activities (EPAs) into their information literacy instruction. They have 3 hours within the first year. In their 3rd year, the students are involved in research projects, and the librarians help with citation management.

**Barbara Miller**, Library Director, Cooper Medical, Rowan University, New Jersey. In March, they had their LCME Accreditation Site Visit, and the library received high ratings for their excellent staff, but low ratings for space. Students let the LCME visitors know that the library study space was not sufficient for their needs. Barbara mentioned that this has been an issue for a long time. They do not have study carrels, and their learning commons is cafeteria-style. Their budget is sufficient; integration of information literacy is good; and librarians are very involved in the curriculum. They also have a school of osteopathic medicine at Rowan.

**Debra Rand**, Associate Dean for Library Services, Hofstra Northwell School of Medicine, New York. They have graduated their second class. They have a very small space but there is study space throughout the School's building. They been partnering with the research unit to work on research and education metrics, and in implementing ORCID accounts. They have been involved in creating a new authorship policy to standardize the words used publicly to describe the medical school or university. They are working on how to serve the community hospital with no library staff.

**Joanne Muellenbach**, Founding Library Director, Health Sciences Library, UNLV, Nevada. Their LCME Accreditation Site Visit is scheduled for July 18-20, 2016. LCME will make a decision regarding their accreditation in October. At that point, assuming good news from LCME, they will begin recruiting a charter class of sixty students for a July 2017 matriculation. Joanne is working with the Dean of Libraries and an in-house designer on library space requirements, for the two, interim health sciences libraries, as well as for the permanent library space. Joanne is also in the process of recruiting two health sciences librarians. She is working with the Head of Web Services on the development of a health sciences library website. Joanne is also working closely with the Vice Dean for Academic Affairs and Education, and her team, in order to inform her collection development and information literacy plans.

**Matthew Wilcox**, Library Director, Quinnipiac University, Connecticut. He is currently waiting on the budget process, having asked for a 13% increase. He has heard the budget will be flat but made his case with the University Librarian and is second from the top of priorities. Their 4th year class of 60 students (LCME capped their classes at 90) just started their clerkships. In October they will have an LCME site visit. They have integrated the ACRL Framework into nursing courses and are working with the research methods course. The next plan is for the PA program. He has 5.5 FTE staff with Tech Services functions supported by the main library.

**Nancy Bulgarelli**, Library Director, Oakland University, Michigan. They just graduated their second class. They are beginning to implement ORCID accounts. During library orientation, librarians will have them create their ORCID IDs. They are looking at a platform for faculty profiles. Their instruction changes every year, but this year they will teach in EBM during the second week and during capstone.

**Kitti Canepi**, Director of Library Services, Roseman University of Health Sciences, Nevada. They had their LCME site visit in February and will find out after the June LCME meeting if they have preliminary accreditation.

**Lisa Marks**, Library Director, Mayo Clinic, Arizona. They will be starting 50 student July 17. Currently they are renovating a research space for the library.

**Nadine Dexter**, Library Director, College of Medicine, University of Central Florida. They just graduated their 4th class. On October 17 they will have an LCME site visit, for their 2nd year since full accreditation.