

Get to Know RCL

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Describe your educational background.

I hold Masters in Library Science and Public Health from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

What was your path to librarianship like?

Fresh out of college a few decades ago, I found myself doing help desk work, despite not having much understanding of computers at all. 'Twas the late 90s, and certain areas of technology were taking all comers, so I ended up providing telephone-based technical support at a large hospital, then ended up doing corporate Product Information Management. After the technology “crash” of the early 2000s I hit the library to look at career books and learned that librarians could become information managers in corporations, so I thought perhaps the reverse might be true. I was lucky enough to already live near a great library school and was honored to get assistantships in both the library school's own library and in the Health Sciences Library. At the Health Sciences Library I met the great reference librarian Lynne Morris who helped set me on the life's path I've had for the past 17 years. She created search phrases like I guess DaVinci must have painted and I knew I was watching magic being spun with words and strange mixtures of parentheses and asterisks and whatnot. Lynne's searching was just that darn good, to note nothing of how she made me feel like a colleague. Since that time, I wake up every morning (even on Saturdays) and remind myself that I am not yet that darn good, so I just have to keep at it. I've gotten inspiration from all kinds of folks (nuns, makeup vloggers, nurses, and so many more), but that one medical librarian showed me a path to being useful that I thought I might have the skills to follow.

Tell us about a recent professional achievement of which you are particularly proud.

A recreational therapy professor and I recently published a systematic review on canine-assisted interventions for young people with Autism. We'll also be presenting on the topic at an upcoming recreational therapy state meeting. Dogs have fostered relationships and given me support, joy, and acceptance. It means so very much to me that I can be at all useful in providing information for evidence-based practice in employing such powerful healers and comforters.

Describe RCL in three words.

Worth it work.

What are some of the most useful resources for selecting core books in your discipline?

The most useful resources I've found for selecting core resources in the disciplines I oversee include: the reviewing resource Doody's Core Titles; tools that allow sorting by quantity sold or numbers held within library collections (e.g., Gobi, WorldCat, Amazon); and reviews I find online, whether from professional reviewing sources, or students who have used the resources and either found them pretty good or pretty bad (reviews that are either too glowing or too negative tend to strike me as outliers, so I put greater credence in the grayer reviews).

What is the biggest challenge for you in maintaining the RCL subject collection?

Staying on top of the multiple subject areas for which I collect presents the biggest challenge for me. Since my areas encompass some disciplines I do not serve on a daily basis, I find myself digging even deeper for good reviews and expert guidance to do my best in selecting for those areas.

If you could select the campus-wide read using a book from your RCL subject, which book would it be? Why?

Trisha Greenhalgh's *How to Read a Paper: The Basics of Evidence-Based Medicine* (now in its 5th edition) is a perennial favorite. The author provides an in-depth, fairly accessible summation of analyzing healthcare research publications. That's no easy task and, while not perfect (because nothing is), the book makes me sing. My singing is very bad, though, but that is not the book's fault.

What is your best advice for new subject selectors?

You'll never have a perfect list.

Stereotypes about librarians abound. What is the most unlibrarianlike thing about you?

I am very loud.

Complete this sentence: "When I'm not in the library, you can find me _____."

At CVS.



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You've been shipwrecked. What one book do you want with you to read while you await rescue?

I can't pick just one. I would like *Revelations of Divine Love* by the author known as Julian of Norwich. I'd also like *Ravished* by Amanda Quick (one of the pen names of former Duke business librarian Jayne Ann Krentz). That way I could get all hot and bothered reading slightly "trashy" and awesome romance and then be assured that indeed, "all shall be well," even as I await rescue in the fully stocked Costco in which I am shipwrecked. I of course will be shipwrecked on the Isle of Costco so that I'll have plenty of food and other stuff while awaiting rescue, and thereby not needing a book on survival on a desert island, which would be the sensible type of book to want while shipwrecked, unless you are shipwrecked in a Costco, which will also be stocked with a lot of fun reading as well.

Is there anything else you'd like to tell us?

I just want to be useful and do as little harm as possible in this life.



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