



Don't miss the annual [McCusker Lecture on October 3](#). Linda Hofschire will present "Data-Powered Libraries: Informed, Innovative, and Impactful."



Happy Autumn!

Today it feels more like late July--an unseasonably warm span of days here in Chicagoland as a final farewell gift from summer. Nevertheless, we are well into the new academic year and the routine that brings, from new classes and new faculty (welcome, Zamir!) to special fall events such as Dominican's Caritas Veritas Day with Convocation (September 26) and the SOIS McCusker Lecture (October 3). Dominican's Caritas Veritas Symposium with Convocation officially launches the academic year, and is a day filled with activities and conversations for the entire DU community of faculty, staff, and students. This year's theme is "Clash or Conversation? Engaging Multiple Perspectives as a Way Toward Truth." Convocation follows the Symposium, and will include remarks from the founder of the national non-profit [Interfaith Youth Core](#) Eboo Patel. This full-day event always proves to be a rich and rewarding pause in our busy start-up activities. For the most part, Caritas Veritas and Convocation will be experienced by our current internal Dominican community. I mention it here, though, in an effort to share that aspect of our university work beyond our own campus and academic focus. Academia can be a haven from the turmoil of society, but our university is also an important place to confront those tensions through conversation and listening.

An opportunity for more specific listening and learning within our SOIS community is the rapidly approaching October 3 McCusker Lecture, with the visit from Linda Hofschire of the Colorado State Library's [Library Research Service \(LRS\)](#). Hofschire, who is a 2017 *Library Journal* Mover and Shaker, will speak about making data

accessible and meaningful to users. Her lecture is titled “Data-Powered Libraries: Informed, Innovative, and Impactful.” I hope you can join us for this highly relevant and timely presentation. Here’s wishing you a productive fall 2017, full of progress as well as important pauses.

Kate Marek  
Director and Professor

## GOINGS ON

### Congratulations Graduates

Congratulations to the following individuals who received Master of Library and Information Science degrees in May or August 2017:

Adam Apo, Karolina Babiuch, Demitra Badino-Berger, Krystal Baker, Christal Beyer, Brittany Burns, Felicia Caro, Katie Cheever, Michelle Dino, Vanessa Fernandez, Leticia Goluba, Brigit Goudie, Meghan Haddad-Null, Lorrie Hansen, Helen Harrison, Nicole Johnson, Melissa Kaleel, Dana Kaput, Roy Kinsey, Nicole Kleinert, Stephen Kline, Whitney Krystof, Danielle Lauber, Anthony Ledwon, Scott Lemerand, Analu Lopez, Rachel Madden, Colleen Malone, Jordan McKenna, Anna Miranda, Sarah Mungai, Emma Norris, Sean O'Malley, Juliet Orellana, Nicole Palazzo, Emily Parker, Amy Pinc, Patrick Pletcher, Aleksandra Podraza, Mark Poshepny, Lisa Roberts, Lauren Scott Amanda Sexton, David Sibley, Marcia Siehr, Daniel Sipiora, Carl Smedinghoff, Austin St. Peter, Katherine Stanton, Rachel Strolle, Monica Tapia, James Vach, Morning Wilder, and Christine Wilson.

### SOIS Welcomes Dr. Hassan Zamir

Dominican University SOIS welcomes [Hassan Zamir, PhD](#), as Lecturer in informatics, effective with the 2017-18 academic year. Zamir has completed his PhD in Library and Information Science from University of South Carolina in 2017. His dissertation title is “Anatomy of a social media movement: Diffusion, sentiment, and network analysis.” His research interests revolve around social media analytics, big data, and text mining. He has taught information retrieval, information architecture, computer-mediated communication, and user experiences courses at University of South Carolina. At Dominican University, he will be teaching informatics courses in the Bachelor of Science in Informatics program. Zamir is active in leadership roles in various professional organizations including Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIST), and Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE).

### Rachel Newlin Wins 2017 Cohen Award

SOIS is proud to announce that [Rachel Newlin](#) is the winner of the 2017 Helen

Cohen Outstanding Student Award. The Cohen Award is given annually to an MLIS student who is enrolled in the spring semester and has completed at least 12 credits or who has graduated within the last two semesters (i.e., fall or summer). The award amount is \$500. Newlin exemplifies the award criteria through her high academic achievement and outstanding work in Dominican's own Rebecca Crown Library as an undergraduate, and now a graduate, student. "My post-graduation plans are to find a position in either a public or academic library where I can facilitate collaboration between public-facing and technical services departments," says Newlin. "I would love to continue my passion for carving out spaces of advocacy for the queer community in libraries, both through professional organizations such as ALA and ILA, and through staff training, outreach, and programming at whatever institution I end up." [Read more.](#)

### SOIS Affiliates with SOE, SSW in College of Applied Social Sciences

As of July 1, 2017, Dominican moves to a four-college model with existing schools and programs affiliating into the Brennan School of Business, the College of Applied Social Sciences, the Rosary College of Arts and Sciences, and the School of Health Sciences. The Schools of Education, Information Studies, Social Work, and the programs from the School of Professional and Continuing Studies will affiliate into the College of Applied Social Sciences (CASS). We are excited about the interdisciplinary and other opportunities this affiliation presents. On July 5, CASS will welcome its founding dean, Dr. Jake Bucher. Leadership in CASS will include Dr. Kate Marek, director of the School of Information Studies; Dr. Colleen Reardon, director of the School of Education; and a director of the School of Social Work to be named soon. CASS staff will include Monica Halloran, manager of student support services; Bridget Burns, licensure officer and field and clinical experience coordinator for SOE and SOIS; Carina Santa Maria, Director of Field for the SSW; Sheila Yousuf-Abramson, Assistant Director of Field; and Devon Sweeting, Administrative Assistant. The main CASS office will be located in the Crown 300 suite. The general CASS phone number is 708-524-6399; SOIS can continue to be reached at [sois@dom.edu](mailto:sois@dom.edu) or 708-524-6845.

### 2017-18 Interns for Rebecca Crown Library and Skokie Public Library Named

The collaborations between SOIS and Dominican's own Crown Library, and SOIS and Skokie Public Library, offer MLIS students an opportunity to gain practical experience and mentorship, while earning two courses' worth of free tuition. These internships are highly competitive. Three MLIS students were named Rebecca Crown Library interns for the 2017-18 academic year: Rachel Doose, Jessica Luetger, and Bridgette Thoma. In this collaboration between the library and SOIS, interns work 15 hours per week in Dominican's academic library with mentorship and supervision from professional librarians, and earn an hourly stipend from Crown as well as two courses' worth of free tuition from SOIS. Four MLIS students were

named Skokie Public Library interns for the 2017-18 academic year: Jose Gallegos in access services, Meredith Payne in adult services, Emily Meszaros in community engagement with an early literacy focus, and Rachel Colias in young adult services. In this collaboration between the library and SOIS, interns work 15 hours per week at Skokie Public Library under the direction of a mentor; and complete a practicum in the fall semester and an independent study in the spring semester with guidance from a faculty advisor. Interns earn two courses' worth of free tuition from SOIS.

#### [Andrew Dillon Appointed 2017-18 Follett Chair](#)

Andrew Dillon, dean of the School of Information at the University of Texas-Austin, has accepted appointment as the holder of the 2017-18 Follett Chair in Library and Information Science. Dillon, a psychologist and information scientist specializing in the human and social impact of information technologies, served as dean of the School of Information at the University of Texas-Austin from 2002-2017 where he also holds the Yule Regents Professorship in Information. He will present the annual Follett Lecture on April 26, 2018. [Read more.](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

#### [McCusker Lecture Featuring Linda Hofschire](#)

Linda Hofschire will present the 2017 McCusker Lecture on October 3, titled "**Data-Powered Libraries: Informed, Innovative, and Impactful.**" Hofschire is the Director of the Colorado State Library's Library Research Service (LRS), and has more than 20 years of experience working in social science research and evaluation. At LRS, she manages a variety of research and evaluation projects including outcome-based evaluations of state library programs and a national continuing education event, the Research Institute for Public Libraries (RIPL). She also serves as the chair of ALA's Committee on Research and Statistics. She has an MA and PhD in Mass Media from Michigan State University, and an MLIS from the University of Illinois. Hofschire is passionate about making data accessible and meaningful to users. She was named a 2017 Library Journal Mover and Shaker in the "Innovators" category for her creation of the Research Institute for Public Libraries. The Lecture will take place in Martin Recital Hall on Dominican's main campus at 6:00 p.m., followed by a reception. It is free and open to the public with [registration required here.](#)

#### [Dominican University Graduate Programs Open House](#)

Interested in a PhD or certificate from SOIS? Know anyone who'd make a great librarian or information professional? Attend, or refer colleagues to Dominican's upcoming open house for all the university's graduate programs on October 28 including information studies, social work, education, business, and health sciences;

10:00 a.m. here on campus. [Learn more or RSVP.](#)

### Save the Date(s)! Upcoming Butler Lecturers

We are delighted to announce that children's book editor, publisher, and writer Andrea Davis Pinkney will deliver the 2018 Butler Lecture on March 14, 2018; and Cuban American storyteller and writer Carmen Agra Deedy will deliver the 2019 Butler Lecture on March 20, 2019. Stay tuned for more announcements!

## ON THE ROAD

### Join Us at ILA

Visit us in the exhibit hall at booth #901 and reconnect with us and fellow alumnae/i at the Alumni Reunion Breakfast, scheduled for Thursday, October 12 at 8:00 a.m. in the Pebble Beach Room of the Tinley Park Convention Center.

### Join Us at ISLMA

Visit us in the exhibit hall and reconnect with us and fellow alumnae/i at the Alumni Reunion Reception on Friday, October 20, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. as a part of ISLMA's conference at the Bank of Springfield Convention Center.

## FACULTY NEWS

**Karen Brown**, professor, co-facilitated an Association of Research and College Libraries' workshop, Assessment in Action: Demonstrating and Communicating Library Contributions to Student Learning and Success, on May 25 for the Southeast Florida Library Information Network. She also presented a paper (with Christine Hagar), Strengthening Community Engagement and Resilience Efforts in Climate Change: Public Library Program Strategies, at the International Disaster and Risk Management Conference in Reykjavik, Iceland on August 25.

**Kate Marek**, director and professor, participated as a panel respondent during the ALA Annual Conference in Chicago on a program titled "From MLS to MLD: It's Time to Integrate Design Thinking and Philosophy into LIS Education."

**Karen Snow**, associate professor and director of the doctoral program, published *A Practical Guide to Library of Congress Classification* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2017). Snow has also published "[Defining, Assessing, and Rethinking Quality Cataloging](#)" in *Cataloging and Classification Quarterly*.

**Hassan Zamir**, lecturer, has published a paper in the *Journal of Science and Technologies Libraries* "[Social Media as a Tool Connecting with Library Users in](#)

[Disasters: A Case Study of the 2015 Flooding in South Carolina](#)". Zamir will also be presenting his panel "Navigating the Next Step: An Interactive Panel for Doctoral Students" at the 80th Association for Information Science and Technology Conference in Washington DC.

## **ALUMNAE/I NEWS**

**Patricia K. Adjetey**, MLIS '13, was appointed knowledge management specialist for Honeywell UOP.

**Rachel Fisher**, MLIS '13, was appointed Metadata Library for the University of Alabama.

**Colleen Malone**, MLIS '17, was appointed media resource center director at Oak School in Hinsdale.

**Julia Nephew**, MLIS '10, began working as a Youth Services Librarian at the St. Charles Public Library in October 2016. She was recently elected to a third term as Commissioner of the Glen Ellyn Park District, for which she currently serves as Board President.

**Ariel Orlov**, MLIS '12, was elected as secretary/treasurer of the Illinois Association of College and Research Libraries.

**Marcia Siehr**, MLIS '17, was appointed digital strategy librarian at the Kenosha (WI) Public Library.

**Anne Slaughter**, MLIS '07, was elected as a member of the Illinois Library Association Board of Directors.

**Reina Williams**, MLIS '10, was elected as a member of the Illinois Library Association Board of Directors.

## **STUDENT NEWS**

**Kelly Campos**, an MLIS student, wrote the lyrics for this [Banned Books Week parody](#) of "That's What I Like" by Bruno Mars.

**Christie Chandler-Stahl**, an MLIS student, was appointed library media teacher at Henry Winkelman Elementary School in Glenview.

**Felicia Shakespeare**, a student in the doctoral program, was inducted into the

Chicago Public School Librarian Hall of Fame, Class of 2017. Shakespeare was also designated a 2017 Author of the Year Finalist by the Indie Author Legacy Awards for her book *You Are Your Brand: Building from the Inside Out*. Shakespeare participated as a panelist at the ALA Annual Conference in Chicago in June on a program titled "Our Voices: Strengthen Your Collection with Diverse Narratives."

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