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EDUCATION

MASTER OF LIBRARY SCIENCE

Indiana University – Indianapolis, IN (August 2010 – December 2012)
ALA-Accredited Program

MASTER OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

Christian Theological Seminary – Indianapolis, IN (August 2007 – May 2010)
Thesis: “Ancient-Future Ecumenism: A Case for Emergent-Orthodox Dialogue”

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Franklin College – Franklin, IN (August 1998 – May 2002)
Majors: Journalism (Advertising/Public Relations), Religious Studies
Minor: Mathematics

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE – CURRENT

GETTYSBURG COLLEGE – GETTYSBURG, PA (JULY 2014 – PRESENT)

SYSTEMS LIBRARIAN

- Primary administrator of Musselman Library’s library service platform (Alma), discovery layer (Primo VE), proxy server (EZProxy), and interlibrary loan system (ILLiad)
- Supporting administrator of other Musselman Library and Gettysburg College IT systems (Ensemble Video, bepress Digital Commons, Archive-It, ContentDM, Gettysburg Sites)
- Project manager for ILS migration to Ex Libris Alma/Primo VE migration
- Creator and co-facilitator of Musselman Library’s Digital Scholarship Summer Fellowship
- Co-project lead for The First World War Letters of H.J.C. Peirs: A Digital History
- Develop and deliver workshops to teach Digital Humanities tools and methods to students, faculty, and staff (122 sessions as of December 2019)
- Provide individual and group consultations to support digital projects (64 consultations as of December 2019)
- Partner with faculty to create assignments with digital literacy outcomes and provide project management support
- Supervise Digital Scholarship Fellows (summer and academic year)
- Maintain and develop library websites and digital tools
- Manage lifecycle of library technology
- Primary point of contact for library technology issues
- Liaison to Information Technology and Educational Technology departments
- Liaison to Religious Studies and Philosophy departments, providing instruction, reference and collection development
- Serve on library and college committees and working groups

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE – PREVIOUS

CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY – INDIANAPOLIS, IN (AUGUST 2012 – JUNE 2014)

CONGREGATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER COORDINATOR (NOVEMBER 2013 – JUNE 2014)

- Managed all aspects of the Congregational Resource Center (CRC), an ecumenical collection of materials for clergy and laity, including collection development, outreach, and reference and instruction
- Assisted interim curator with clean-up and review of seminary archives
- Supported launch of central information desk to provide more effective research consultations to students, faculty and staff
- Participated in activities related to the PALNI consortium's ILS migration to OCLC WMS
- Continuation of previous volunteer responsibilities

PUBLIC SERVICES LIBRARIAN INTERNSHIP/VOLUNTEER (AUGUST 2012 – NOVEMBER 2013)

- Provided reference, instruction and circulation support to students, staff, faculty and other patrons
- Facilitated access to information through copy and original cataloging of monographs, mixed materials, and audio/visual materials
- Created and revised training materials, including circulation staff manual, technical support documents, open access primer, and public services staff Wiki
- Designed and maintained the new library website using LibGuides to improve the online library experience for patrons
- Created and managed Facebook page for the library to raise awareness of the library's services and resources in partnership with the seminary's social media manager
- Assisted technical services librarian with discovery and access tools
- Organized campaign to raise library awareness during Theological Libraries Month 2013
- Participated in ongoing, comprehensive weeding of circulating and reference collections
- Evaluated gifts and donations for inclusion and suggest new materials for purchase

I NEED A LIBRARY JOB (INALJ) (JANUARY 2013 – JUNE 2014)

- Head Editor, Indiana

OFFICESCAPE – INDIANAPOLIS, IN (JANUARY 2013 – JUNE 2014)

- Enterprise Customer Care Technical Specialist

TELAMON CORPORATION – CARMEL, IN (DECEMBER 2006 – OCTOBER 2012)

- Contact Center Project Manager (August 2010 – October 2012)
- Helpdesk Project Specialist/Agent, Tier III (December 2008 – August 2010)
- Helpdesk Agent, Tier II (March 2008 – December 2008)

- Helpdesk Agent, Tier I (December 2006 – March 2008)

CELEBRATE: A STUDENT JOURNAL OF CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY – INDIANAPOLIS, IN
(AUGUST 2008 – MAY 2010)

- Editor and Contributor

CTB/McGRAW HILL – INDIANAPOLIS, IN (OCTOBER 2006 – DECEMBER 2006)

- Handscorer/Evaluator

WAL-MART STORES, INC. – INDIANAPOLIS, IN METROPOLITAN AREA (JUNE 2000 – JULY 2006)

- Photo/Connection Center Manager (August 2005 – July 2006)
- Assistant Manager, Produce Area (July 2004 – August 2005)
- Management Trainee (November 2003 – February 2004)
- Produce Sales Associate (June 2000 – November 2003)

CUSTOM FORMS, INC. – WEST LAFAYETTE, IN (MAY 2003 – AUGUST 2003)

- Graphic Designer

PUBLICATIONS

BOOK CHAPTERS (EDITOR-REVIEWED)

Miessler, R.C. and Janelle Wertzberger. 2017. "Dreaming Big: Library-Led Digital Scholarship for Undergraduates at a Small Institution." In S. Davis-Kahl and M.K. Hensley (Eds.), *Undergraduate Research and the Academic Librarian: Case Studies & Best Practices* (pp. 83-92). Chicago: Association of College & Research Libraries. <https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/71/>.

Miessler, R.C. 2014. "Piecing It Together: Spiritual Tinkering from the Orthodox Perspective." In K.M. Lohre (Ed.), *For Such a Time as This: Young Adults on the Future of the Church* (pp. 14-26). Valley Forge, PA: Judson Press. <https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/35/>.

ARTICLES (EDITOR-REVIEWED)

Miessler, R.C. 2009. "Our Patron Saint: Judas Iscariot, Forgiveness and Christian Imagination." *Celebrate: A Student Journal of Christian Theological Seminary* 1, 50-62.

INVITED TALKS

Miessler, R.C. 2017. "Blowing Into Digital Cartridges: Video Game Preservation, Nostalgia, and Cultural Memory." Presented at the Fall 2017 DHi Speaker & Workshop Series, Digital Humanities Initiative, Hamilton College, Clinton, NY, November 20.

Koch, Keira, R.C. Miessler, Julia Wall, and Lauren White. 2017. "#dssf16+1: Library-Led Digital Scholarship for Undergraduates at a Small Institution." Presented at the Pennsylvania Library Association, College and Research Division Spring Workshop, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA, May 25. <https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/70/>.

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Miessler, R.C., Courtney Paddick, Alicia Peaker, Carrie Pirmann, and Mike Zarafonetis. 2020. "Creating a Community of Practice Through the Digital Scholarship Summer Symposium." Presentation accepted at the Reed College Supporting Undergraduate Research Conference, Portland, OR, March 27. Conference cancelled due to COVID-19.

Miessler, R.C. 2019. "Your Moment of Zen(desk): Tracking and Triaging Alma/Primo Issues." Presented at the ExLibris Northeast User Group Conference, New Paltz, NY, October 25.

Miessler, R.C., Clinton Baugess, John Dettinger, and Kevin Moore. 2019. "A Journey through the Development of a DH Program for Undergraduates." Presented at the Bucknell

- University Digital Scholarship Conference, Lewisburg, PA, October 12.
<https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/123/>.
- Isherwood, Ian, Amy Lucadamo, and R.C. Miessler. 2019. "The First World War Letters of H.J.C. Peirs." Poster presentation at the First World War Network: Past, Present, and Future Conference, Edinburgh, Scotland, June 28-29.
<https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/histfac/91/>.
- Isherwood, Ian, Amy Lucadamo, and R.C. Miessler. 2019. "The Great War and the Digital Humanities: Creating a Project and Building a Team." Presented at the First World War Network: Past, Present, and Future Conference, Edinburgh, Scotland, June 28.
<https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/histfac/90/>.
- Lucadamo, Amy and R.C. Miessler. 2018. "The First World War Letters of H.J.C. Peirs: A Digital History." Digital poster presentation at the Bucknell University Digital Scholarship Conference, Lewisburg, PA, October 16. <https://jackpeirs.org>.
- Isherwood, Ian, Amy Lucadamo, and R.C. Miessler. 2018. "Running Wires: Digital History in the Classroom and the Field." Presented at the Bucknell University Digital Scholarship Conference, Lewisburg, PA, October 16. <https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/99/>.
- Fleming, Jenna, Ian Isherwood, Amy Lucadamo, R.C. Miessler, and Meghan O'Donnell. 2018. "From the Trenches: Cross-Campus Digital History Collaboration." Presented at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference, Hershey, PA, April 14.
<https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/92/>.
- Miessler, R.C., Carrie Pirmann, and Courtney Paddick. 2018. "You Built It, but Can You Talk About It?" Presented at the Associated College Libraries of Central Pennsylvania Spring Meeting, Harrisburg, PA, March 9. <https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/86/>.
- Miessler, R.C., Sarah Morris, Carrie Pirmann, and Courtney Paddick. 2017. "Digital Scholarship, with Undergraduates, in the Library." Presented at the Digital Library Federation Forum, Pittsburgh, PA, October 23. <https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/74/>.
- Miessler, R.C. 2017. "Successes and Challenges in Growing and Sustaining an Undergraduate Digital Scholarship Program." Presented at the Bucknell University Digital Scholarship Conference, Lewisburg, PA, October 7. <https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/73/>.
- Miessler, R.C. and Janelle Wertzberger. 2017. "Developing a Community of Practice Among Undergraduate Digital Scholars." Presented at the Keystone DH Conference, Philadelphia, PA, July 14. <http://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/68/>.

Miessler, R.C. 2016. "Building a Home-Brew Text Message Notification System for Sierra." Presented at the Innovative Users Group Conference, San Francisco, CA, March 17. <https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/50/>.

Miessler, R.C. 2015. "Building a Home-Brew Text Message Notification System for Sierra." Presented at the Mid-Atlantic Innovative Users Group Conference, Langhorne, PA, October 12.

GETTYSBURG COLLEGE CAMPUS PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

Bickers, Claire, Elizabeth Hobbs, Ian Isherwood, Amy Lucadamo, R.C. Miessler, Benjamin Roy. 2020. "The First World War Letters of H.J.C. Peirs." Digital poster presentation at the Gettysburg College Presidential Inaugural Tour, New York City, March 4.

Bickers, Claire, Elizabeth Hobbs, Ian Isherwood, Amy Lucadamo, and R.C. Miessler. 2019. "The Great War and the Digital Humanities." Poster presentation at the Presidential Installation & Inauguration Campus Showcase, September 28.

Lewis, Emma, R.C. Miessler, and Kevin Moore. 2019. "Undergraduate Digital Scholarship at Gettysburg College." Poster presentation at the Presidential Installation & Inauguration Campus Showcase, September 28. <https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/121/>.

Lucadamo, Amy, R.C. Miessler, and Lauren White. 2017. "Thinking Digitally, Together: Models for Digital Scholarship at Gettysburg College." Presented at the Gettysburg College Friday Faculty Lunch, Gettysburg, PA, September 29. <https://cupola.gettysburg.edu/librarypubs/75/>.

Birch, Sharon and R.C. Miessler. 2017. "Digital Scholarship Support." Presented as part of New Faculty Orientation, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA, August 17.

Miessler, R.C. 2017. "One Weird Trick for Internet Security." Presented at the Musselman Library Brown Bag Lunch, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA, March 3.

Birch, Sharon, R.C. Miessler, and Eric Remy. 2016. "Introduction to Gettysburg Sites." Johnson Center for Creative Teaching and Learning Workshop, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA, December 6.

Jurney, Thomas and R.C. Miessler. 2016. "The LEGO Movie and Fair Use." Presented as part of Fair Use Week 2016, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA, February 12.

Miessler, R.C. 2015. "Blowing into Digital Cartridges: Video Game Preservation, Nostalgia, and Cultural Memory." Presented at the Gettysburg College Friday Faculty Lunch, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA, November 20.

Birch, Sharon, R.C. Miessler, Eric Remy, Divonna Stebick, and Beatriz Trigo. 2015. "Bringing Digital Humanities to Life: Craft Beer, Data, Caffeine, Research – A Report on the ILiADS Experience." Presented at the Johnson Center for Creative Teaching and Learning Lunch, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA, November 4.

SELECTED DIGITAL HUMANITIES PROJECTS

THE FIRST WORLD WAR LETTERS OF H.J.C. PEIRS (2015 – PRESENT)

- Co-project lead, web design, digital mapping
- <https://jackpeirs.org>

WHAT WE DID HERE: ACTIVISM AT GETTYSBURG COLLEGE (2016 – PRESENT)

- Project management, web design
- <https://musselmanlibrary.org/activism>

THE VIETNAM MEMORY PROJECT (2018 – PRESENT)

- Project management, web design
- <https://musselmanlibrary.org/vietnam-memory>

SHAPING PERCEPTIONS OF WAR: PROPAGANDA POSTERS IN WORLD WAR II (2019)

- Project management, web design, digital tool instruction
- <https://jilloglinetitus.sites.gettysburg.edu/propaganda-posters/world-war-2-propaganda-posters/index>

GETTYSBURG CYCLORAMA: A DIGITAL ANNOTATION (2018)

- Project management, web design, digital tool instruction
- <https://jilloglinetitus.sites.gettysburg.edu/hist301-cyclorama/history-301/index>

WONDERS OF NATURE AND ARTIFICE (2017)

- Project management, web design, digital tool instruction
- <https://wonder-cabinet.sites.gettysburg.edu/2017/>

SERVICE (ACADEMIC)

MUSSELMAN LIBRARY

- Member, Digital Scholarship Committee (September 2015 – Present)
 - Chair (September 2015 – September 2017)
 - Co-facilitator of the Digital Scholarship Summer Fellowship (2016 – Present)
 - <https://dssf.musselmanlibrary.org/2016>
 - <https://dssf.musselmanlibrary.org/2017>
 - <https://dssf.musselmanlibrary.org/2018>
 - <https://dssf.musselmanlibrary.org/2019>
 - Chair, Digital Scholarship Summer Fellowship Search Committee (2016-2017)
 - Co- Chair, Digital Scholarship Summer Fellowship Search Committee (2018)
- Member, Web Advisory Committee (December 2016 – Present)
- Project manager/leader, Alma/Primo Working Group (January 2019 – Present)
- Grant coordinator, Pennsylvania Consortium for the Liberal Arts – Arthur Vining Davis Teaching and Learning Award awarded to Gettysburg College, Muhlenberg College, and Ursinus College (2017)
- Member, Barbara Holley '54 Library Intern Search Committee (2016)
- Member, Copyright Committee (June 2015 – June 2016)
- Member, Scholarly Communications Committee (July 2014 – February 2015)

GETTYSBURG COLLEGE

- Burg Partner, FYS 144: Video Games as Cultural Artifacts (William O'Hara, instructor) (August 2019 – December 2019)
- Member, Manager of the Innovation and Creativity Lab Search Committee (2019)
- Library representative, Technology Subcommittee of the ADA Committee (September 2018 – Present)
- Team member, Hamilton College Immersive Technology Summer Institute (Christopher Oechler, team lead) (July 2018)
- Embedded librarian, MUS CLAS 170: Video Game Music (William O'Hara, instructor) (January 2018 – May 2018)
- Library representative, Educational Technology Committee (September 2017 – Present)
- Member, JCCTL Faculty Working Group (William O'Hara, group leader) (September 2017 – May 2018)
- Participant, Inklings Reading Group (September 2015 – May 2017)
- Team member, Institute for the Liberal Arts and Digital Scholarship (ILiADS) (Beatriz Trigo, team lead) (July 2015)

REGIONAL

- Co-chair, Associated College Libraries of Central Pennsylvania Digital Scholarship Special Interest Group (January 2019 – Present)
- Member, PALCI/PALNI Collaborative Consortial Institutional Repository Hyku Pilot Task Force (September 2018 – Present)
- Planning committee, PCLA Undergraduate Digital Scholarship Symposium (2018 – Present)
- Co-facilitator, PCLA Digital Liberal Arts Fellows Summer Conference (2017)
- Steering committee member-at-large, Mid-Atlantic Innovative Users Group (September 2015 – October 2018)

NATIONAL

- EAST Libraries Operations Committee member (August 2019 – Present)
- Planning committee member, Hamilton College Immersive Technology Summer Institute (2018)
- Planning committee member, Oberlin Digital Scholarship Conference (2017)
- Young Adult Steward, General Assembly, National Council of Churches in Christ – New Orleans, LA (2010)

SERVICE (COMMUNITY)

- James Gettys Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization, Gettysburg, PA (September 2019 – Present)
- Volunteer Income Tax Preparer, United Way of Adams County, Gettysburg, PA (January 2015 – Present)
- Discussion leader, St. Basil Film Study, Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Indianapolis, IN (2007 – 2013)
- Food distribution, Tippecanoe Historical Association, Lafayette, IN (2012 – 2013)

HONORS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS RECEIVED

GETTYSBURG COLLEGE

- World War I Centennial Commission Sponsorship, \$34,500 (Ian Isherwood, PI) (2019)
- Research and Professional Development Grant to attend and present at The First World War Network: Past, Present, and Future Conference (with Amy Lucadamo), \$4,000 (2019)
- ACLCP Site Visitation Grant (2018)
- Research and Professional Development Grant to attend the Digital Humanities Summer Institute (2017)
- ACLCP Continuing Education Grant to attend the Digital Humanities Summer Institute (2017)

CHRISTIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

- Summa Cum Laude (2010)
- Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Field of Global Christianity (2010)

FRANKLIN COLLEGE

- Magna Cum Laude (2002)
- Theta Alpha Kappa (2002)
- Harvey C. Jacobs Award (2002)
- Dean's List (1998-2001)
- Lambda Chi Alpha Undergraduate Scholarship (1999)