

## EDUCATION

- Master of Library and Information Science, University of Washington
  - Course abroad: Denmark, Instructional Design for Information Literacy
- Bachelor of Arts in Communication & Media Studies, Central Connecticut State University

## ADDITIONAL TRAINING

- 2022 – Privacy Crash Course, **Library Freedom Project**
- 2021 – Equity in Action: Fostering an Anti-Racist Library Culture, **American Library Association**
- 2019 – Train the Trainer, Learn 2 Discern Media Literacy, **IREX**
- 2018 – Building Basic Leadership Skills, **YALSA**
- 2016 – Train the Trainer, Racial Justice Facilitation Training, **National Conference for Community & Justice**
- 2016 – Trauma Informed Care certification, **The Village for Families & Children**

## AWARDS

- [\*NEXT Library Emerging Leader Travel Fellowship\*](#), ALA & US Department of State and American Embassy Berlin, Germany, Sept. 2018
- *Key Contributor*, Hartford Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative, May 2018
- [\*21st Century Librarian Award\*](#), University of Washington, 2015

## FUNDING & GRANTS

- 2022 – State of CT Youth Violence Prevention Initiative program grant (\$2,500)
- 2021 – State of CT Youth Violence Prevention Initiative program grant (\$5,000)
- 2020 – State of CT Youth Violence Prevention Initiative program grant (\$15,000)
- 2018 – ALA Great Stories Club – “[Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation](#)” program grant (\$1,500)
- 2016 – YALSA Symposium – “[Pitch an Idea](#)” program grant (\$1,500)

## SERVICE & EXTRA CURRICULARS

- *Chaffee House Exploratory Committee Member*, Windsor Historical Society | 2022
- *Department Heads & Supervisors Co-chair*, Connecticut Library Consortium | 2020 – Present
- *Lead Contributor*, YOUmedia Network Community of Practice | Sept. 2017 to Sept. 2018
- *Social Justice Roundtable Co-chair*, Connecticut Library Consortium | Aug. to Oct. 2017
- *Steering Committee Member*, Hartford Decides | 2016
- *Facilitator*, National Conference for Community and Justice | 2016 to 2018
- *Student Representative*, MLIS Program Committee | Sept. 2014 to April 2015
- *Student Liaison*, Information Diversity Committee | Sept. 2013 to June 2015
- *Information Diversity Ambassador*, Office of Diversity Programs | Sept. 2013 to June 2015
- *iEquality President*, Student Organization | Jan. 2013 to April 2015
- *Cataloging Volunteer*, Seattle Art Museum | Sept. 2012 – May 2014

## TEACHING & FACILITATION

- **Professional Development Facilitator**, Wallingford Public Library, June 2021
  - *Using the Relationships-First Model to Improve Library Services for Young Adult*
- **Professional Development Facilitator**, Simsbury Public Library, June 2021
  - *Using the Relationships-First Model to Improve Library Services for Adults*
- **Queer Academy Research Instructor**, YOUmedia Hartford, Summer 2016
- **One-shot library instruction**, University of Washington, Odegaard Libraries, 2014-2015
  - ENG 131 | ENG 200 | GEN ST 391 | PSYCH 209 | Design 384
    - Session topics: Thesis Development, Evaluating Sources, Annotated Bibliographies, Citing sources / Avoiding plagiarism, Popular vs Scholarly Journals, Finding art resources, image copyright

## YOUTH PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- **Truth and Racial Healing Book Club** – 4-part book club featuring black and brown artists
- **Woke Teens Forum** – 8-week workshop on systems on oppression, led to teen-led conference
- **Strong Girls Camp** – 6-week workshop for femme-identified youth to learn about gender oppression
- **Queer Academy** – facilitated 4-week research training for students writing papers on LGBT+ topics
- **Capstone Research Advising** – 10-month partnership with high school to support senior thesis

## PRESENTATIONS

- **Rhode Island Library Association Conference**, May 2022
  - Presentation Invitation: *CORI Sponsored Session: Transforming & Restoring Libraries into Spaces of Belonging*
- **The Free Black Women's Library Reading Challenge Roundtable**, Feb. 2022
- **Connecticut Library Association EDI Committee Workshop**, Dec. 2020
  - Panel Invitation: [\*Advancing the Conversation: Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion in CT Libraries\*](#)
- **NELA Virtual Conference**, Sept. 2020
  - Panel Invitation: *It Starts with Us – Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion in Libraries*
- **SLJ Live Webinar: Teen Activism in the Library**, August 2018
  - Panel Invitation: Follow-up to YALSA President's Program
- **American Library Association Annual Conference**, June 2018
  - Panel Invitation: [\*YALSA President's Program: Supporting Youth Activism in Your Library\*](#)
- **Connecticut Library Association Mini-Conference**, March 2018
  - Panel Invitation: *Talking about Diversity in Books for Children & Teens*
- **Hartford Stage & Hartford Public Library Special Event**, Jan. 2018
  - Panel Invitation: *The Evolution of the Public Library: Growing and Thriving as Vital Community Hubs*

- **Connecticut Young Adult Librarian Annual Meet-Up**, Nov. 2017
  - Presentation Invitation: *From Socializing to Social Justice Redux*, co-presenter
- **Young Adult Library Services Association Symposium**, Nov. 2016
  - Presentation: *From Socializing to Social Justice: Connecting teens to community through social narrative*, (links to PDF) co-presenter
- **Praxis Conference on Multilingual Student Learning**, May 2015
  - Presentation: [Effective Assignment Design: Best Practices for Promoting Student Learning and Preventing Plagiarism](#), co-presenter

## PUBLICATIONS

- Feature: *Instruction and Pedagogy for Youth in Public Libraries*, 2018
  - Spotlight interview, Chapter 6, [From theory to practice: instructional approaches](#)
- ALA Publication, [Create, Innovate, and Serve: A Radical Approach to Children's and Youth Programming](#)
  - Chapter 23. Invited to contribute a chapter on teen program development (Strong Girls & Woke Teens Forum) at Hartford Public Library
- [Incluseum's New Metadata Schema](#): Inclusive Controlled Vocabulary for Tagging, 2015
  - Cited: [Reviving and Publishing the Tagging Schema for Civic Discourse in Museums and Libraries Project](#), 2017
- Feature: Project READY [Module 22: Transforming Library Instruction](#)

## PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

- **Branch Manager**, Windsor Public Library, Wilson Branch – January 2019 to present
  - EDI Consultant Search Committee Member
  - Employee Engagement Team Member
  - Windsor Hunger Action Team Member
- **YOUmedia Manager & Teen Services Librarian**, Hartford Public Library – June 2015 to Jan. 2019
  - Promotion to manager, January 2017
- **Reference & Instruction Graduate Specialist**, University of Washington Odegaard Undergraduate Library – Sept. 2014 to May 2015
- **Consulting Research & Metadata Contributor**, incluseum.org – Sept. 2014 to Dec. 2016
- [Museum Seminar \(MuSe\) Intern](#) (links to PDF), Metropolitan Museum of Art – June 2014 to Aug. 2014
- **Access Services Graduate Assistant**, University of Washington Odegaard Undergraduate Library – Sept. 2013 to May 2014
- **Circulation Assistant II**, Prosser Public Library – Sept. 2005 to Aug. 2011