

# RACHEL WHITNEY

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## **EDUCATION**

- University of South Florida**, Tampa, FL 2018-2020  
MASTER OF ARTS, Library and Information Science
- University of Central Florida**, Orlando, FL 2011-2015  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, Biology
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## **EXPERIENCE**

Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) Library, Charleston, SC 10/2020-PRESENT

### **RESEARCH AND EDUCATION INFORMATIONIST**

- Provide liaison services to students, staff, and faculty within the College of Pharmacy
- Guide faculty, staff, and students in the effective use of library services and resources to support evidence-based practice
- Teach classes and develop research guides on literature searching, mobile device apps, and other topics
- Teach and Co-Teach workshops offered through the library
- Perform reference duties including answering virtual LibChat questions

Broward College – South Campus Library, Pembroke Pines, FL 07/2019-09/2020

### **LIBRARY ASSISTANT**

- Provide reference support for one-on-one student appointments
- Perform citation checks and provide style support for MLA and APA
- Support in collection and acquisition tasks
- Teach Information Literacy instruction classes both face to face and online
- Execute reference desk tasks and duties including virtual LibChat reference

Martin and Gail Press Health Professions Division Library, Davie, FL 02/2019-PRESENT

### **METADATA SPECIALIST**

- Lead a team of students through project management for metadata projects
- Perform bibliographic metadata entry for library repository through NSUWorks
- Support in cataloging projects such as dissertations and theses
- Provide administrative support and perform circulation desk duties and tasks

University of South Florida School of Information, Online 08/2018-05/2020

### **GRADUATE ASSISTANT**

- Assist with a research projects dealing with RDMS and linked data
  - Analyze case studies and extract data for literature reviews
  - Work with Gephi to perform data visualization
  - Assist with various research related tasks such as citation chasing and recording data
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## **PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT**

American Library Association (ALA)	2018-PRESENT
Florida Library Association (FLA)	2018-PRESENT
Florida Health Science Library Association (FHSLA)	2018-PRESENT
Florida Association of College and Research Libraries (FACRL)	2018-PRESENT
Suncoast Information Specialists (SIS)	2018-PRESENT
Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association (SC/MLA)	2018-PRESENT
• Fundraising & Scholarship Committee	2021-2024
Medical Library Association (MLA)	2021-PRESENT
American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP)	2021-Present
• LIS Newsletter Committee	2021-Present

## **MUSC UNIVERSITY INVOLVEMENT**

College of Pharmacy Curriculum Committee	2020-PRESENT
College of Pharmacy Curricular Revision Taskforce	2021-PRESENT
Innovation Week Planning Committee	2021

## **MUSC LIBRARIES INVOLVEMENT**

Region 2 RML Search Committee	2021
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## **CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Consumer Health Information Specialization Program, Medical Library Association, completed 2021
Data Services Specialization Program, Medical Library Association, completed 2021
Library Carpentry, Network of the National Library of Medicine, completed 2021
• OpenRefine, TinyData, Git, R
Critical Appraisal Institute for Librarians, New York Medical College, completed 2021

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## **Key Skills**

- Computer skills including Microsoft Office Suite, Adobe Acrobat, HTML
  - Utilizing Bepress for managing digital repositories
  - Using Sierra for patron records and item maintenance
  - Gephi for data visualization
  - Original and copy cataloging procedures using OCLC Connexion
  - Appraising and evaluating scientific literature
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