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# RUTGERS University Libraries



# A few words from the Vice President for Information Services and University Librarian

While our campuses were certainly much quieter over the summer months, the Libraries were buzzing with activity. The overall goal of the different projects in our facilities has been to make improvements that help attract users to our buildings and allow us to better serve their academic needs.

Among the changes we've implemented since last May:

 Construction of the new cafe, the Scarlet Latte, in the lower level of Alexander Library (see below), which opened on September 6th



- Installation of laptop locks on study tables in the Kilmer and Alexander libraries (for more information and photos, please see: http://www.libraries.rutgers. edu/rul/news/11/06\_laptop\_ secure.shtml)
- Creation of a new Office of Information Technology lab,

### New Personnel in the Libraries

ver the summer months the Libraries welcomed five newly appointed librarians and a data manager onto our staff.

**Joseph Deodato** began work as the new *digital user services librarian* at the Libraries in June.

The digital user services librarian is responsible for coordinating the design, implementation, and evaluation of new and emerging technologies used to deliver library services. Joseph's role is to work with staff from various library units to ensure that electronic resources and services meet the needs and expectations of library users.

Joseph previously worked as the web services librarian at City University of New York's College of Staten Island.

He comes to Rutgers with over seven years of academic library experience and four years of experience specializing in web development, electronic resources, and information technology.



Joseph Deodato

Joseph has a B.A. in history from Rutgers University, an M.L.S with a specialization in archives from the University of Maryland, and an M.A. in liberal studies from the College of Staten Island.

Joseph can be reached at 732/932-7129, ext. 130, or by email at jdeodato@rulmail.rutgers.edu.

**Bonnie Fong** started work as *physical sciences librarian* in the John Cotton Dana Library on the Rutgers–Newark campus in June.

Bonnie was formerly information literacy, outreach and technical services librarian at Felician College, where she served as the liaison to the science, technology and math departments and the nursing division, with responsibility



**Bonnie Fong** 

for collection development, library instruction, and reference. She also had responsibility for staff and student instruction related to various aspects of technology and for all aspects of technical services.

As physical sciences librarian, Bonnie will be working with the chemistry, earth & environmental sciences, mathematics, and physics departments on the Rutgers–Newark campus. Bonnie has an undergraduate degree in chemistry from Smith College and an M.S.L.S. degree from Clarion University.

Bonnie can be reached at 732/353-3811 or by email at blf34@rulmail.rutgers. edu.

**Aletia Morgan** joined the Libraries in July as a *research data management specialist*, to assist our efforts in the area of data management and preservation.

Aletia's position was transferred to the Libraries from the Office of the Vice President for Research and Economic Development where she was working

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installation of new computers, and acquisition of new furniture in the Paul Robeson Library on the Rutgers–Camden campus

- Creation of a new large study space, with WiFi access, and a new conference room in the Library of Science and Medicine
- Installation of a new patio in the front of the Alexander Library, (see below) with stylish paving stones, two planting beds, and eight benches



- Implementation of a new laptop lending program at the Alexander and Kilmer libraries; this is an expansion of the laptop lending program initiated last fall in the Art Library (for information on the Art Library laptop lending program, please see: http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/news/10/08\_laptop\_lending.shtml)
- Wireless upgrades at the Alexander and Douglass libraries.

As you can read in this issue, over the summer we also appointed five new librarians and a data manager. Each of them can work with you to support your research and assist you in incorporating Libraries' resources into your courses.

I welcome you to visit our facilities and forge a connection with our librarians this year. We are ready, willing, and happy to support your work.

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to address the university's response to federal agency requirements for more formal processes for managing and sharing research data. Aletia joined the team that is developing the Libraries' capacity to preserve data in RUcore and reach out to faculty, to engage them in data preservation.

Before coming to Rutgers, Aletia was the director of the information technology group at the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at the University of Iowa. Prior to that, she



Aletia Morgan

was technology coordinator for the Readington Township Public Schools and the Hackettstown School District. Earlier she worked for ten years at IBM as a systems engineer. She has a B.A. in psychology from Muhlenberg College, and an M.B.A. from Vanderbilt University.

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Janice Pilch joined the Libraries as copyright and licensing librarian in July.

Janice came from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where she was humanities librarian and associate professor of library administration in the Literatures and Languages Library.

Janice received her M.S. in library and information science from the University of Illinois and holds an A.B. in Russian language and literature from Brown University and an M.A. in Slavic languages and literatures from the University of Michigan.

Janice has published, conducted research, and presented widely on copyright topics. Her international work includes service as an international copyright



Janice Pilch

advocate for the Library Copyright Alliance (LCA), representing the interests of the U.S. library community at the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and other international fora, and as U.S. delegate to the Committee on Copyright and Other Legal Matters of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA).

At the University of Illinois, Janice was a resource person on copyright for the Scholarly Commons and the University Library Scholarly Communications Committee. She regularly conducted general copyright sessions and

departmental workshops on campus for librarians, students, and faculty.

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**Caryn Radick** assumed the new role of *digital archivist* in August.

Caryn will work with Special Collections and University Archives and with

the Institute of Jazz Studies to lead digital initiatives.
Caryn worked as the processing archivist in Special
Collections since August of 2004, having previously been an archival assistant.

Caryn received her M.L.I.S. from the School of Communication, Information and Library Science at Rutgers in 2004. She has an M.A. in Victorian literature from the University of Nottingham. Caryn has worked extensively with archival materials, including the creation and encoding of finding aids. She has worked on digital preservation and



Caryn Radick

the expansion of access through digitization and the creation of metadata. Caryn can be reached at 732/932-7006, ext. 374, or by email at cradick@rulmail.rutgers.edu.

**Minglu Wang** assumed the position of *data services librarian* at the John Cotton Dana Library on Rutgers–Newark campus in July.

Minglu has a master's degree in sociology from Fudan University, China, and a M.L.I.S. from the University of Iowa. She was a digital library fellow and worked on a variety of projects for the digital library services department at the University of Iowa Libraries. She was also an ARL Career Enhancement Program fellow and worked as an intern for the Columbia University Libraries in the

summer of 2009.

From 2009 to 2011 Minglu worked as the grant-funded data services librarian at the John Cotton Dana Library on Rutgers–Newark Campus. She continues in that role, now as a regular faculty member.

As a data services librarian, she teaches workshops on how to use different statistical software packages, helps individual faculty or graduate students solve their data analysis problems, and conducts data analysis and visualization for faculty, research centers, and other

departments on the Rutgers-Newark campus.

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