

Columns

Title Changes & Checking In

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[Note: Please report promotions, awards, new degrees, new positions, and other significant professional milestones. You may submit items about yourself or other members to Kurt Blythe at kcblythe@email.unc.edu. Contributions on behalf of fellow members will be cleared with the person mentioned in the news item before they are printed. Please include your e-mail address or phone number.]

Y'all, it is 2024 and here is my accumulation of title changes and introductions from new members dating back a good long while. Time marches on, and so does NASIG, and so does our collective progression through the profession from graduate school to retirement with all attendant accomplishments, such as those noted below.

Rebecca L. Bearden's title has changed from Senior Serials & Metadata Librarian to Senior Continuing Resources Librarian at Boston University School of Law.

Your humble editor (**Kurt Blythe**) is now Interim Head, Resource Description & Management at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Jill Bright had a title change to Head of Electronic Resources (previously Electronic Resources & Social Sciences Librarian) effective 7/1/2023 at Saint Louis University.

Amanda Bullington will be starting a new position as Serials Cataloger Librarian at the University of Notre Dame's Hesburgh Library this month (January)!

CJ Garcia has recently started a new job as Health Sciences Librarian at Creighton University.

Matthew Ragucci's title changed first to Director of Product Marketing, then to Director of Institutional Product Marketing at Wiley.

Jessica S. Scott writes: "This December, my position at Clemson University changed to eResources Discovery Librarian."

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Elizabeth J. Szkirpan, MLIS Writes: "I have been with the University of Tulsa's McFarlin Library as the Director of Bibliographic Services and the Federal Depository Library Coordinator since 2020. I just accepted a role with Harvard Business School's Baker Library as their Collection & Discovery Specialist, effective 17 July 2023 so my last day at TU will be June 30th. I am in the middle of the move to Massachusetts from Oklahoma but will be permanently located in the Massachusetts area by the end of the month."

Rayla Tokarz writes: “I am new to NASIG and I have joined because I transitioned from a subject liaison position to a collections position and I want to become more involved with associations that are providing a community for those who manage information resources. NASIG seemed like a great community to join!”

Rayla Tokarz
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Chris Vidas writes “I was hired as the Electronic Resources Librarian at Clemson University in December 2018, and I was officially hired as the Head of Collections and Acquisitions at Clemson University as of June 1, 2023. I had been serving as Interim Head of Acquisitions since August, 2021.”

Christopher D. Vidas
Head of Collections and Acquisitions
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