

LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE STUDENT ORGANIZATION

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LISSO UPDATES

It's time to elect next year's LISSO officers!

To nominate someone for a LISSO office, fill out the anonymous survey here: [LISSO Officers Nomination Survey](#).

All SLIS students are invited to nominate fellow students (or themselves!) and vote for position holders. Unless otherwise noted, other positions (Bsides, GSS) will be filled by expressing interest and informal interviews (no voting).

Leadership Role Descriptions

LISSO:

President: Call and lead meetings among LISSO officers and SLIS students; act as student representative at faculty functions such as faculty meetings (invited monthly), SLIS steering committee meeting (annually), and other faculty work that arises (example: faculty search committee). Work with other officers to decide what events and workshops to hold, allocate duties (or vote with officers), and invite librarians and faculty. Work with student representatives from other groups within SLIS or the University on collaborative projects as necessary. Coordinate with Vicki and Carol about meetings, Zoom, and special events. Also may be asked to write newsletter articles, and create posters/other advertising content for events (can be any officer). Work with SLIS Liaison Librarian (Duncan) on mentoring and professional development opportunities. This position also serves as the head of the ALA Iowa student subchapter and will be added to ALA student subchapter email listservs. Part of president's duties are to decide what information to forward onto students (example: scholarship emails, call to action emails from national chapters). *Questions: contact Amanda (amanda-k-jenkins@uiowa.edu)*



Secretary: Attend meetings and take notes. Communicate with B-Sides, GSS representatives, other LISSO officers, etc., to create content for and electronically publish LISSO Newsletter every month. Compile and analyze data from LISSO surveys, and contribute to institutional knowledge files of LISSO/SLIS happenings. Keep in contact with Vicki and Carol regarding the LISSO page on the SLIS website. Contribute to the planning and implementation of social events. Fulfill the role of President if the President is unable (in some ways, the Secretary fulfills the role of a Vice-President). *Questions: contact Chloe (chloe-waryan@uiowa.edu)*

Treasurer: Prepare and track LISSO budget and allocations. Prepare cost estimates for LISSO events and process payment forms. Submit Budget requests to SOBO (Student Organization Business Office), through OrgSync; may sign payment forms. *Questions: contact Hannah (hannah-hacker@uiowa.edu)*

Social Chair: Organize social events (once a month, if possible), such as tours of local libraries, dinner gatherings, board game nights, or trips to the apple orchard. Assist with other LISSO-sponsored events as needed, including workshops, panels and new student orientation. Be the primary manager of the LISSO Facebook page, in charge of creating events, posting, and engaging with LISSO's online community. *Questions: contact Liz (elizabeth-riordan@uiowa.edu)* Note: no social committee for '18-'19.

****NEW POSITION!****

Distance Student Representative: Be the liaison between LISSO, SLIS, and the distance students. Be the primary contributor to access and Zoom needs. Help distance students connect, possibly coordinating events for students in other areas of the state/country. We are excited to hear your ideas on how you can build this new role!

POSTER JAM SESSION

Librarian and designer Nikki White will be attending the poster "jam session" from 4pm-4:45pm to share her wisdom and design tips. Afterward, we will be hosting a relaxing and soothing work session complete with food and pals on **Friday, April 6th** from **4pm-7pm** in the **SLIS Lounge**. The Facebook event is [here](#).

BAD MOVIE NIGHT IN THE LOUNGE

We are hosting a bad movie night in the SLIS student lounge on **Saturday April 14th at 7pm**. First bad movie up on the agenda? Tommy Wiseau's cult classic **The Room**! After that... who knows... attendees are encouraged to bring their favorite movies and snacks!



B Sides Project Producers/Hosts:

We are currently searching for current or future University of Iowa SLIS students to fill the following positions for the B Sides Project and the B Sides Journal. The more the merrier - more than one student may serve in each position, or positions may be combined and divided as desired. The new recruits will be trained by those currently holding the positions, and will take over beginning September of 2018.

Blog & Journal Editor(s)

The Blog & Journal Editor(s) will:

- Solicit, edit, and publish formal and informal written compositions from LIS and BLIS alumni, students, professors, and LIS professional.
- Utilize BePress software to publish submissions to the B Sides Journal, which is hosted by Iowa Research Online.
- Utilize WordPress to publish blog submissions to the B Sides Project's website.

This is an especially good resume-boosting position for someone interested in **writing or academic librarianship**, which often requires knowledge or skills related to scholarly publishing.

Podcast Producer(s)

The Podcast Producer(s) will be involved in the entire process of podcast production and release. The person or persons in this positions will:

- Prepare, schedule, record, and edit podcast sessions.
- Publish, and advertise audio podcasts on social media, about a wide range of library science subjects.

The Podcast Producer should have an interest in learning and using **audio production equipment** and **web publishing software**, and they should be interested in talking to alumni, students, professors, and other LIS professionals about **current events relevant to library and information science**.

As Podcast Producer, you'll get to talk to a variety of people about what they love to do in the LIS field. To a future employer, you'll show that you're interested in learning from others, staying current with the field, and collaborating with your local community.

Websites: <https://bsides-slis.org> & <https://www.facebook.com/bsidesproject/>

Email editor Caroline (caroline-allen@uiowa.edu) if you'd like to fill one or both of these roles in the upcoming school year.

GSS Senators:

Do you want to represent SLIS on the Graduate Student Senate (GSS)? As a GSS representative, you will:

- **Attend monthly meetings** (1 representative required from SLIS at each meeting).
 - Meetings allow for conversations with other graduate students and updates from the Graduate College about the state of graduate education University-wide.
- **Join sub-committees** (varying levels of commitment—usually 1 additional meeting a month).
 - Sub-committees within GSS help to plan conferences on campus, enact pilot programs of workshops for graduate teaching, and plan events to welcome international students, to name a few.

Total commitment should not exceed 2-3 hours a month, and looks great on a resume! Contact Russell (russell-buchanan@uiowa.edu) or Caroline (caroline-hogan@uiowa.edu) if you'd like to fill this role in the upcoming school year.

ILA Student Subdivision Chair(s):

Represent the interest of students with the Iowa Library Association! Take part in planning activities and shaping conference sessions, ILA aims, and policy. Potentially hold meetings at ILA to get an idea of how students want to engage with ILA and incorporate other LIS programs in Iowa (UNI) into the conversation. This is a great opportunity to become more familiar with your potential future colleagues in Iowa, as the student subdivision is invited to participate in conference planning and shaping activities for ILA. Open to as many students as are interested. Can split out duties within the board after you sign on. *Questions or to express interest: contact Duncan (duncan-stewart@uiowa.edu)*

SLIS POSTER DEADLINES- SPRING 2017

Check ICON for more details

Friday, April 13th: Digital poster must be submitted to SLIS.

Friday, April 20th: Poster presentation and public session at 3pm.

Friday, June 8th: *Summer graduates-* Application for Graduate College is due.

LIBRARIANS FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE (LSJ)

Librarians for Social Justice has become internet famous! Well, kind of. Our [Facebook page](#) has been attracting international attention. Because of this, we will be switching the focus on the page to a place where librarians can chat about social justice things. LSJ founder Kelly Grogg and former LSJ President Bekah Walker will also be working on the page to help other librarians start their own local chapters. Meanwhile, find the [LSJ-Iowa City page here](#).

Contact libs.social.justice@gmail.com to join the listserv!

Meeting times: Every other Wednesdays at 7:30 in Room 3082

NEWS FROM COGS (STUDENT UNION)

The upcoming recertification election is something COGS and all other public unions have to undertake during bargaining periods. It was part of the changes to Chapter XX that passed in the Iowa legislature last spring. These changes were attempts to weaken unions and the workers they represent. To pass the recertification election, we will need a majority of the bargaining unit to vote Yes to keep the union. This does not mean a majority of those who vote, but *a majority of every GA/TA/RA present at the University in the fall*. Accordingly, not voting is counted as a no vote. This is a significant hurdle that no publicly-elected official has undertaken, and yet we are being forced to meet this standard to keep the union that we established in 1996. Given that the vote is in the fall, our efforts right now are more education than anything else. We are holding a small educational meeting/free pizza night at the COGS office on 4/5. The Facebook event is [here](#). If you think you can make it, please RSVP.

Questions? Comments?

Want something included in the next newsletter? Contact a LISSO officer!

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