April 6, 2017

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 or http://tinyurl.com/mz8mx72.

All SLIS students are invited to nominate fellow students (or themselves!) and vote for position holders. Unless otherwise noted, other positions 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 (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 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 Bekah (rebekah-walker@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 two weeks (this job may be shared with other officers). Create posters and other advertising content for events. Organize at least one workshop per semester (example: Spring 2017, assisted with Social Media workshop and organized Poster Prep workshop). In some ways, the Secretary fulfills the role of a Vice-President. 
Questions: contact Kery (kathryn-lawson@uiowa.edu)

Treasurer: Prepare and track LISSO budget and allocations. Prepare cost estimates for LISSO events and process payment forms. Submit Budget requests to OBO; may sign payment forms. Questions: contact Ben (benjamin-schmidt@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. Questions: contact Elizabeth (elizabeth-brown-2@uiowa.edu)

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, which will help reduce the load of a single person. Positions may also be combined and divided as desired by the new recruits. The new recruits will be trained by those currently holding the positions, and will take over beginning September of 2017.

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. They will learn to utilize BePress software to publish submissions to the B Sides Journal, which is hosted by the Iowa Institutional Repository. The Editor will also learn to 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.

Contact Katie (katie-gandhi@uiowa.edu) or Bethany (bethany-kluender@uiowa.edu) with questions or if you would like to fulfill a B Sides role.

GSS Senators:

Represent SLIS at Graduate Student Senate (GSS) meetings, which allow for conversations with other graduate students and updates from the Graduate College about the state of graduate education University-wide. 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. Representatives attend monthly meetings (1 representative required from SLIS at each meeting) and join sub-committees (varying levels of commitment—usually 1 additional meeting a month). Total commitment should not exceed 2-3 hours a month, and looks great on a resume! Contact Annie (anna-tunicliff@uiowa.edu) or Caroline (caroline-hogan@uiowa.edu) with questions.

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. There is a great opportunity to have an active student subdivision this year with ILA being held in Coralville! 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 Bekah (rebekah-walker@uiowa.edu), Kery (Katheryn-lawson@uiowa.edu), or Duncan (duncan-stewart@uiowa.edu)
SLIS POSTER DEADLINES
Check ICON for more details

Friday, April 7 (ideally): Submit digital poster (as a .pdf) via email for printing to Kim-burda@uiowa.edu, with subject line: W26410 Poster. In the body of the email note that you would like your poster delivered to the SLIS office, 3087 Main Library. SLIS will pay 50% of the printing cost, laminating not included.

Thursday, April 13: Digital Poster Submission to SLIS

Friday, April 14: Poster Presentation (12:30) and Public Session (3:00)

B SIDES PROJECT

The newest B Sides podcast, “Comics in the Library,” has been published! Check it out: https://bsides-slis.org/2017/04/02/comics-in-the-library/

The B Sides Project produces podcasts, blog entries, and other multimedia projects that allow library practitioners to talk about their work and the joy and challenges they encounter. Check out the website for more information on what and how to submit content: www.bsides-slis.org.

The B Sides Journal continues to accept ongoing submissions of academic work. The B Sides Journal is an open-access and peer reviewed publishing outlet for current students and alumni to contribute to the scholarly literature of the field of Library and Information Science. Check out the website to submit content: http://ir.uiowa.edu/bsides/.


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LIBRARIANS FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE (LSJ)

LSJ will be hosting a concert fundraiser at the Mill on Thursday, April 20 @ 7:00! It will feature local bands (including several UI Librarians) and will raise money for the Center for Worker Justice of Eastern Iowa (http://www.cwjiowa.org), an organization dedicated to worker rights, affordable housing, and civil rights in Eastern Iowa. See full details on the Facebook event in our Facebook group!
Want to help at the event or learn more? Contact libs.social.justice@gmail.com to join the listserv!

Meeting times: Every other Monday at 7:30 (rotating locations, Iowa City).

Social Media: https://www.facebook.com/groups/libs.social.justice/ & @Libs4Justice

Special thanks to Hannah Hacker for designing our publicity materials.

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

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- Secretary: Kery Lawson (katheryn-lawson@uiowa.edu)
- Social Chair: Elizabeth Brown (elizabeth-brown-2@uiowa.edu)
- Treasurer: Ben Schmidt (benjamin-schmidt@uiowa.edu)

LISSO website: https://www.slis.uiowa.edu/content/lisso

Facebook group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/LISSO/