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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant Professor, University of North Carolina – Greensboro, School of Education,
Department of Library & Information Studies, August 2016 -

EDUCATION

PhD. Library & Information Science. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
August 2016. Title: “The community informatics of an aging society: A comparative
case study of senior centers and public libraries.” Advisor: Kate Williams.

C.A.S. Library & Information Science. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
2011.

Earned Community Informatics Certificate.

M.S. Library & Information Science. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. 2009.
Earned Special Collections Certificate.

B.A. English. Minors, Geology and Portuguese. University of Illinois at Urbana-
Champaign. 2007.

AWARDS AND HONORS

2016. Outstanding Volunteer Award. Champaign Park District Douglass Annex Senior
Center Lifetime Awards.

2016. iConference Doctoral Colloquium Participant. (Less than 25% acceptance).

2016. Honorable Mention. ALISE Doctoral Student Research Poster Session, for “The
Community Informatics of an Aging Society.”

2015. Campus Award for Excellence in Public Engagement, University of Illinois.

2013. Honorable Mention among Posters, iConference 2013, for “Identifying Claims
in Social Science Literature,” with Shameem Ahmed (lead author), Catherine Blake,
Kate Williams, and Qiyuan Liu.

2012. Best Conference Paper, iConference 2012, for “Networked cultural heritage
and socio-digital inequalities: A case study in an African-American community,” with
Abdul Alkalimat.

2010. Best Conference Paper in Community Informatics, for “The history and future
of local history infrastructure: Open access and commodification of local history in
the United States and the Anglosphere,” COINFO 2010, Beijing.

2009. Inductee, Beta Phi Mu, International Library & Information Studies Honor Society.

2007. Social Justice Award, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Graduate School of Library & Information Science (GSLIS).

2007. Inductee, Phi Beta Kappa.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2015-2016. Eugene Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Fellow. Beta Phi Mu, the International Library and Information Studies Honor Society.

2013-2014. Fred S. Bailey Fellowship for Community Leadership, Service, and Activism. University YMCA, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

2012. (with Abdul Alkalimat). Illinois Humanities Council Grant. "Community-Based Collaboration Digitization Workshops: Local Heritage Online in the Age of Broadband." \$2,500.

2011-2012. Information in Society Fellow. Institute of Museum & Library Services (grant program administered by GSLIS).

2011-2014. Scholarship recipient to attend Archival Education Research Institutes (AERI).

2011. (with Abdul Alkalimat). University of Illinois Office of the Vice Chancellor for Public Engagement Grant. "eBlackChampaign-Urbana: Using Spiders to Build Webs of Digital Memory." \$12,000.

2011. (with Sharon Irish and Anke Voss). University of Illinois Center for Advanced Study/MillerComm Lecture Series Grant. Funds to bring Andrew Flinn, University College London Information Studies Faculty, to present guest lecture on Community Archives and Activism. \$1,000.

2011-2011. Scholar, HASTAC (Humanities, Arts, Science and Technology Advanced Collaboratory).

2010. (with Abdul Alkalimat). University of Illinois Office of the Vice Chancellor for Public Engagement Grant. "eBlackCU: A Collaborative Portal on African-American Experiences in Champaign-Urbana." \$20,000.

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles

In Progress: Abstract accepted. Noah Lenstra & Karen Baker. "Infrastructure and communities: Exploring conceptual overlap and disjuncture in studies of scientific practices and digital learning," *Library Trends*. Special issue on "Scoping and spanning the information sciences: a celebration of seventy years of the doctoral program in the University of Illinois' School of Information Sciences."

In progress: Abstract accepted. Noah Lenstra. "The community-based information infrastructure of older adult digital literacy: A comparative case study of public libraries and senior centers," *Nordicom Review*. Special issue on "Becoming old in the age of mediatization."

2014. Noah Lenstra. "Cyberorganizing everyday heritage in and around public libraries: An exploratory study in Illinois," *Public Library Quarterly*. 33(1): 1-22.

2013. Kate Williams, Noah Lenstra, Shameem Ahmed and Qiyuan Liu. "Research note: Measuring the globalization of knowledge: The case of community informatics," *First Monday*, 18(8). <http://www.firstmonday.dk/ojs/index.php/fm/article/view/4347>.

2012. Noah Lenstra and Abdul Alkalimat. "eBlack studies as digital community archives: A proof of concept study in Champaign-Urbana, Illinois," *Fire!!!: The Multimedia Journal of Black Studies*, 1(2): 151-184.

Book Chapters

2017. Noah Lenstra. "Social inequalities in the shaping of community cultural heritage infrastructure," in *Participatory Heritage*, eds. Henriette Roued-Cunliffe & Andrea Copeland. New York: Facet.

2014. Noah Lenstra. "'Democratization' of genealogy and family history practice," in *Encounters with the Past: Heritage and Popular Culture*, eds. Mike Robinson & Helaine Silverman, Springer.

2013. Noah Lenstra. "'You Know You From Champaign-Urbana': An ethnography of African-American archiving initiatives," in *Identity Palimpsests: Archiving Ethnicity in the U.S. and Canada*, eds. Dominique Daniel & Amalia Levi, Litwin.

Conference Proceedings

2013. Noah Lenstra. "Connecting local & family history with personal digital archiving: Findings from studies in four Midwestern public libraries," Personal Digital Archiving 2013, College Park, MD, February 21-22. https://archive.org/details/NoahLenstra_pda2013.

2012. Noah Lenstra and Abdul Alkalimat. "Networked cultural heritage and socio-digital inequalities: A case study in an African-American community," iConference 2012, Toronto, February 7-10. <http://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=2132197>.

2010. Noah Lenstra. "The history and future of local history infrastructure: Open access and commodification of local history in the United States and the Anglosphere," 5th International Conference on Cooperation and Promotion of Information Resources in Science and Technology (COINFO'10), Beijing, November 27-29. <http://hdl.handle.net/2142/17434>.

Conference Presentations without Published Proceedings

2014. Noah Lenstra and Kate Williams. "Training future library professionals via community informatics research, teaching and service with seniors and senior-

serving organizations, including local libraries,” Library Research Seminar VI, Champaign-Urbana, IL, October 7-9.

2014. Kate Williams and Noah Lenstra. “Developing Powerful Public Computing Programs with Low-to-No Funding,” presentation at Illinois Library Association Conference. Springfield, IL. October 14-16, and at Public Library Association Conference, IN, March 11-15.

2013. Noah Lenstra. “What is family history: Using multidisciplinary studies to enrich archival education,” Archival Education Research Institute (AERI), Austin, TX, June 17-21.

2012. Noah Lenstra. “Genealogy & Family Folklore: An Exploration of Intersections, Overlaps and Dissonances in the 1970s,” American Folklore Society annual meeting, New Orleans, October 24-28.

2012. Noah Lenstra. “Power and the Shaping of the Archives Profession: Foreign Missions to the Brazilian National Archives in the late 1950s,” Brazilian Studies Association (BRASA) XI, Champaign-Urbana, September 6-8.

2012. Noah Lenstra. “Networked Technology, Community Archives and the Commercial Web,” Panel presentation on “To the Community and Beyond: Engaging Users to Interact with Participatory Archives,” Society of American Archivists Annual Meeting, San Diego, August 6-11, 2012.

2012. Noah Lenstra. “Cultural heritage preservation: Identifying concepts, communities and constructs,” panel presentation at Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE), Dallas, TX, January 17-20.

2012. Paul Conway, Patti Condon, Jonathan Dorey, Patricia Garcia, Noah Lenstra, and Weiwei Song. “Archival Science Around the World” a panel at the Archival Education Research Institute (AERI), Los Angeles, 9-13 July 9-13.

2012. Noah Lenstra. “Community centered design in digital museums, libraries, and archives: A case study in an African-American community in Champaign-Urbana, Illinois,” Eastern Illinois University Historical Administration Program Association Symposium, Charleston, IL, April 14.

Posters

2016. Noah Lenstra. “The community informatics of an aging society: A comparative case study of public libraries and senior centers,” Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE), Boston, January 5-8.

2013. Shameem Ahmed, Catherine Blake, Kate Williams, Noah Lenstra, and Qiyuan Liu. “Identifying Claims in Social Science Literature,” iConference 2013, Fort Worth, TX, February 12-15. <http://hdl.handle.net/2142/42061>.

2012. Kate Williams, Noah Lenstra, Shameem Ahmed and Qiyuan Liu. “What is community informatics?: a global and empirical answer,” iConference 2012, Toronto, February 7-10. <http://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=2132303>.

2011. Noah Lenstra. "Community-Based Yearbook Collaborative Digitization," Humanities, Arts, Science, and Technology Advanced Collaboratory (HASTAC), Ann Arbor, Michigan, December 2-3.

2010. Noah Lenstra. "eBlackChampaign-Urbana: Community Informatics meets Data Curation," Digital Curation Conference, Chicago, December 6-8.
<http://hdl.handle.net/2142/17439>.

Book Reviews

2014. Noah Lenstra. "Family trees: A history of genealogy in America," *The Annals of Iowa*, 73(2): 158-160. <http://ir.uiowa.edu/annals-of-iowa/vol73/iss2/4/>.

2011. Noah Lenstra. "Mídia cidadã : utopia brasileira," *The Journal of Community Informatics*. <http://ci-journal.net/index.php/ciej/article/view/701>.

2010. Noah Lenstra. "Archives and archivists in twentieth century England," *Archival Issues*, 32(2): 139-140.

2007. Noah Lenstra. "What are archives? Cultural and theoretical perspectives: a reader," *Archival Issues*, 31(2): 198-9.

Other Publications

2016. Noah Lenstra. "Seniors in the digital age and those who serve them: 10 lessons from a doctoral dissertation," *CI Lab Notes*, 17. <http://hdl.handle.net/2142/90400>.

2011. Noah Lenstra. "e-Black Champaign-Urbana: Community informatics and cultural heritage information in a low-income community," Certificate of Advanced Study (C.A.S.) Final Project, GSLIS, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
<http://eblackcu.net/CASAppendices/Artifacts/C.A.S.ProjectReport.pdf>.

2010. Noah Lenstra, editor. *Community Engagement @ Illinois: Connecting Research and Service*. <http://hdl.handle.net/2142/17462>.

INVITED TALKS

2015. Noah Lenstra. "Start where you are: organizing people and technology to create high-impact digital heritage with minimal funding," Keynote speech at Small Archival Projects Conference, Dubuque, IA, April 17.

2015. Noah Lenstra and L. Jordan Welborn. "Engaging the community around digital archiving," Reference & User Services Association of the American Library Association History Section Webinar, June 2.

2014. Kate Williams and Noah Lenstra. "Implementing powerful public computing programs with low-to-no funding," Tenth Annual On the Front Lines: Statewide Library Practitioners Conference, Springfield, IL, August 4-6.

2014. Noah Lenstra. "Local oral history projects showcase," Midwest Archives Conference Fall Symposium, Champaign-Urbana, September 12-13.

2012. Noah Lenstra. "Using Omeka for community-based digital history," Digital Library course taught at Indiana University/Purdue University at Indianapolis by Hsin-Liang Chen, March 23.

2012. Noah Lenstra. "Digital Local and Family History," Presentation to Society of American Archivists Student Chapter at the University of Michigan, February 6.

UNIVERSITY TALKS

2016. Noah Lenstra. "The community informatics of an aging society," University of North Carolina School of Information and Library Science Seminar, September 16.

2013. Noah Lenstra. "'Democratization' of genealogy and family history practices," Annual conference of the Collaborative for Cultural Heritage Management and Policy, Champaign-Urbana, Illinois, May 23-24.

2013. Noah Lenstra. "Genealogy, family archives, and genetics: Capitalism, information and the compulsion to collect family history," Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities 'Collecting Impulse' Symposium, Champaign-Urbana, IL, March 8-10.

2012. Noah Lenstra. "'Democratization' of Genealogy and Family History Practices," Encounters with Popular Pasts: meanings and myths at the interface between heritage and popular culture," annual conference of the Collaborative for Cultural Heritage Management and Policy (CHAMP), Champaign-Urbana, IL, May 23-24, 2013.

2011. Noah Lenstra. Urban Planning Institute Professional Development Panel, University of Illinois. Presentation on eBlackCU, Broadband and Community Participation, April 29.

2011. Noah Lenstra. "eBlackChampaign-Urbana and community informatics: Using technology and information to connect and empower," University YWCA lecture series. March 1.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

Fall 2016. Online. Foundations of Library and Information Studies (University of North Carolina – Greensboro Dept., of Library and Information Studies [UNCG])

Fall 2016. Hybrid online and on-campus. Seminar: Special Collections (UNCG).

Summer 2015. Online. Digital Heritage Resource Management (Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis School of Informatics and Computing).

Spring 2015. Online. Community Informatics (GSLIS).

Spring 2013. Libraries, Information and Society (GSLIS, with Christine D'Arpa)

Fall 2012. Digital Public History: An Introduction (GSLIS, with Christine D'Arpa)

Teaching Assistant

Winter 2015. Libraries, Information and Society (GSLIS, under Leigh Estabrook).

Fall 2014. Community Informatics (GSLIS, under Kate Williams)

Fall 2014. Libraries, Information and Society (GSLIS, under Kate Williams).

Spring 2010. Community Archives: Documenting Heritage and Identity (GSLIS, under Anke Voss)

Fall 2008. Administration and Use of Archival Materials (GSLIS, under Anke Voss)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2010-2016. Community Informatics Research Laboratory. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Worked as Research Assistant and as Lab Member to create and analyze "Community Informatics Global Literature Review" database, to develop and carry out community technology survey at a retirement community, and to organize eChicago Conferences and Information City/Digital Divide Lecture Series.

2009-2013. Project Director. eBlack Champaign-Urbana. Built and maintained project website, using Omeka content management system, coordinated volunteers and social media, carried out research evaluation at multiple stages of action research project.

2012. Project Director. Digital Local and Family History workshop series. Led, in collaboration with public libraries and institution of higher education, public workshops on digital local and family history in Kankakee, Danville, Chicago and Carbondale, Illinois. Analyzed results.

2010. Graduate Hourly Research Assistant. Worked with Joseph Love to check sources for manuscript on Chibata Naval revolt in early twentieth century Rio de Janeiro.

2007-2008. Research Assistant. East St. Louis Action Research Project, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Collaborated with Katherine Dunham Centers for Arts & Humanities in East St. Louis in action research project focused on preservation of archival and museum collections.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2014-2015. Volunteer cybernavigator. Champaign Public Library.

2009. Practicum student. The Urbana Free Library, Champaign County Historical Archives.

2009. Intern. Early American Museum, Champaign County Forest Preserve District, Mahomet. Processed Doris K. Wylie Hoskins Archive for Cultural Diversity.

2009-2010. Lawrence King Special Collections Graduate Assistant. Music and Performing Arts Library, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Library. Processed archival record groups, staffed reference desk.

2009. Alternate Spring Break Intern. Smithsonian National Museum of American History Archives Center.

2008. Alternate Spring Break Intern. Missouri History Museum Library and Research Center.

2008-2010. Graduate Assistant. Sousa Archives and Center for American Music, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Library. Processed archival record groups, designed exhibits, digitized collections, staffed reference desk.

2007-2008. Graduate Assistant. Monograph Cataloging, University of Illinois Library. Copy cataloging of general collection books, with a specialization in Latin American monographs. Contributed to digital library metadata project using ContentDM.

DEPARTMENTAL/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2015. University of Illinois Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee, Sub-Section on Oral History Project. Office of Vice Chancellor for Public Engagement.

2014. Review Committee for 2014-2015 Fred S. Bailey Fellowship for Community Leadership, Service, and Activism, University of Illinois YMCA.

2014. Review Committee for 2014-15 Focal Point Breakthrough grants, Graduate College, University of Illinois.

2013-2014. Doctoral Student representative, Doctoral Studies Committee, GSLIS.

2009-2010. Student Representative, Curriculum Committee, GSLIS.

2009. Co-curator. (with Emily Shaw). University of Illinois Library. Designed and installed Eloisa Cartonera/Dulcinea Catadora exhibit for Marshall Gallery.

2009-2010. President, Society of American Archivists student chapter.

EXTRACURRICULAR SERVICE

2015. Co-curator. Struggle and Solidarity: A Democratic History of Champaign Urbana. Exhibit at the Urbana-Champaign Independent Media Center, May 4-15.

2015-2016. Board Member. Channing-Murray Foundation at University of Illinois.

2014. Volunteer of the Month Award. Champaign Park District, March 2014.

2011 and 2013, Martin Luther King Community Celebration Committee, Champaign, IL.

2006-2014. Officer. Luso-Brazilian Association at the University of Illinois.

SERVICE TO DISCIPLINE

2017. Reviewer. iConference 2017 Paper Sessions.

2016. Reviewer. National Endowment for the Humanities Common Heritage Grants.

2015-2016. Reviewer. iConference 2016 and 2015 Poster Sessions.

2014-2015. Program Committee. Personal Digital Archiving Conference for 2014 and 2015.

2014. Reviewer. Library Research Seminar VI: The Engaged Librarian: Libraries Partnering with Campus and Community.

2014. Local Arrangements Committee. Midwest Archives Conference Fall Symposium.

2010-2011. Membership Outreach Committee. Midwest Archives Conference.

2010. Program Committee. Midwest Archives Conference.

2008-2010. Newsletter Editor. Latin American and Caribbean Cultural Heritage Archives Roundtable, Society of American Archivists.

Peer Reviewer

Journal of Community Informatics

Human Technology: An Interdisciplinary Journal on Humans in ICT

Professional Memberships

Association for Library and Information Science Education

Society of American Archivists

American Library Association

LANGUAGES

English – Native

Portuguese – Fluent

Spanish – Can read with dictionary