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EDUCATION

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

Doctorate in Library and Information Science	2006
Master of Library and Information Science	1987
Bachelor of Arts, English Literature	1983

SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY

English Literature/Fine Art (Major/Minor)	1979-1981
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FELLOWSHIPS

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR TEACHING & LEARNING

Faculty Fellows Program (competitive)	2018-2019
• <i>Developed an onboarding guide for adjunct faculty that was distributed for use across the University and eight regional campuses.</i>	

Teaching Scholars Program (competitive)	2013-2014
• <i>Conducted a scholarly examination of my teaching practices to enhance student learning.</i>	

HONORS, AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

Faculty Recognition Award	2016, 2015, 2013
Faculty Excellence Award	2008

STATE LIBRARY OF OHIO

LSTA Advisory Council Service Proclamation	2015
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ASSOCIATION OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE EDUCATORS (ALISE)

Tague-Sutcliffe Award Winner, Doctoral Student Poster Competition	2005
Nominated for Doctoral Student to ALISE Award	2005

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, GRADUATE STUDIES

David Bruton, Jr. Continuing University Fellowship	2005
David Bruton, Jr. Continuing University Fellowship	2004
Sam Whitten Endowed Presidential Scholarship for Academic Excellence	2002

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY/SCHOOL OF INFORMATION

Associate Professor (Non-tenure Track) 2016-Present

Undergraduate Course:

LIS 30010 Information Fluency in the Workplace and Beyond

Graduate Courses (face-to-face and online):

LIS 60600 Foundations of Library & Info. Science (Core; discontinued in 2017)

LIS 60001 Access to Information (Core; discontinued in 2017)

LIS 60040 The Information Landscape (Core; Discontinued in 2021)

LIS 60280 Master's Portfolio (Core)

LIS 60601 Information Sources & Reference Services

LIS 60608 The Public Library

LIS 60614 Selection & Acquisition of Library Materials

LIS 61095 Special Topics: Information Services for Diverse Populations

Assistant Professor (Non-tenure Track) 2010-2016

Graduate Courses (face-to-face and online):

LIS 60600 Foundations of Library & Info. Science (Core; discontinued in 2017)

LIS 60001 Access to Information (Core; discontinued in 2017)

LIS 60608 The Public Library

LIS 60614 Selection & Acquisition of Library Materials

Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track) 2006-2010

Graduate Courses (face-to-face):

LIS 60600 Foundations of Library & Information Science

LIS 60614 Selection & Acquisition of Library Materials

LIS 60629 Library Materials & Services for School-Age Children

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN/SCHOOL OF INFORMATION

Adjunct Instructor Summer 2005

INF 322T Children's Literature

Teaching Assistant 2002-2006

INF 322T Children's Literature

INF 380F Materials for Children

INF 382F Young Adult Literature

PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

TEXAS STATE LIBRARY & ARCHIVES COMMISSION

Manager, Continuing Education & Consulting 2001-2003

Interim Manager, Continuing Education & Consulting 2000-2001

Youth Services Consultant 1998-2000

Continuing Education Consultant 1993-2000

BASTROP (TX) PUBLIC LIBRARY

Library Director	1991-1993
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THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN, SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

Interim Graduate Advisor/Administrative Assistant	1990-1991
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HARRIS COUNTY (TX) PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Children's Librarian/Assistant Librarian - Woodforest Branch	1988-1990
Children's Librarian - Kingwood Branch	1988

FORD FOUNDATION ARCHIVES

Assistant Archivist (Temporary Position)	May-Sept. 1987
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PUBLICATIONS

BOOK

Boon, B. (1995). *The CREW method: Expanded guidelines for collection evaluation and weeding for small and medium-sized public libraries*. Austin, TX: Texas State Library & Archives Commission.

INVITED ARTICLES

Boon, B. (2017). Bibliographic research. *Sage Encyclopedia of Communication Research Methods*. Sage Publications, Inc.

Boon, B. (2009). Using the CREW method to enhance public and school library collections. *Journal of Access Services*, 6: 324-336.

Boon, B. (2008). The professional development of small community librarians in Texas: A qualitative study of the female experience. *Advances in Library Administration and Organization*, 26: 209-264.

OTHER REFEREED ARTICLES

Boon, B. (2007). A helping hand: The importance of mentoring in the professional development of female library directors working in small Texas communities. *Rural Libraries*, 27(2): 7-18.

Boon, B. (2007). More than just the 'library lady': Archetypal management roles exhibited by female librarians in small Texas communities. *Bookmobile and Outreach Services*, 10(1): 9-24.

OTHER PUBLISHED ARTICLES

Boon, B. (2015). SLIS faculty member discusses tips for promoting student engagement in online courses. *Online Connections Newsletter*. Kent State University: Office of Continuing and Distance Education.

Boon, B. (2011). Getting the most from online learning. *The News*. State Library of Ohio.

Boon, B. and Cheng, L. (2010). Social networking at Kent State University. *The News*. State Library of Ohio.

Boon, B. and Vogler, D. (Winter 2001). TexShare database training. *Texas Library Journal*, 77(4), 158-159.

WEB-BASED ARTICLES

Boon, B. (2009). Weeding library collections. *Small Libraries Division Blog*, Ohio Library Council <<http://olcsmalllibraries.wordpress.com/>>

LIBRARY TRAINING MANUALS

Texas State Library & Archives Commission. (1998). *Adopt a bunny program*. Austin, TX: Texas State Library & Archives Commission.

Texas State Library & Archives Commission. (1998). *Dia de los ninos, dia de los libros*. Austin, TX: Texas State Library & Archives Commission.

Texas State Library & Archives Commission. (1998). *Welcome to read, Texas!* Austin, TX: Texas State Library & Archives Commission.

EDITED WORKS

Ellis, K. (2012). *Partnerships and collaborations in public library communities: Resources and solutions*. IGI Global. (Editorial Advisory Board)

Nichols, M. I. (1998). *A guide for developing CD-ROM reference collections: Issues and strategies*. Austin, TX: Texas State Library & Archives Commission. (Editor)

Nichols, M. I., Boon, B., Henry, S. (1997). *Texas information resources for libraries*. Austin, TX: Texas State Library & Archives Commission. (Contributor & Editor)

BOOK REVIEW

Boon, B. (Spring 2000). *The volunteer library*, by Linda S. Fox. [Book review]. *Journal of Youth Services in Libraries*, 13 (3), 26-26.

INTERVIEWS AND QUOTED PASSAGES

Anderson, K. (January 12, 2015). Profs seek input to improve online courses. *Featured News*. Kent State University Website.

MacDonald, G. J. (June 18, 2012). E-book battle: Libraries, publishers square off on pricing. *Christian Science Monitor*.

Adamczak, R. (August 23, 2011). Dewey Decimal squares off with the Web: Today's librarians are tech-savvy resources. *Akron Legal News*.

PRESENTATIONS

INVITED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**2020**

[Canceled due to COVID-19]. *Conducting a Diversity Audit*, Texas Library Association Annual Conference, Houston, TX

2019

Conducting a Diversity Audit [Panel discussion], American Booksellers Association Annual Conference, Pittsburgh, PA

2017

Open Access and Intellectual Freedom (Plenary Session), Church & Synagogue Library Association Annual Conference, Rochester, NY

Best Practices in Weeding, Church & Synagogue Library Association Annual Conference, Rochester, NY
(Panel Moderator) *Take 5! Teen Services Symposium*, Dayton, OH
Online Learning is for EVERYONE: Using Universal Design Principles to Develop Accessible Online Course Content (Blind Peer-reviewed Concurrent Conference Session), Lilly Conference on Evidence-Based Teaching and Learning, Austin, TX

2016

Steal My Idea (Panel Presentation), Kent State University Online Teaching Symposium, Kent, OH
What Should We Keep?: Donations & Weeding Considerations, Church & Synagogue Library Annual Conference, Kent, OH

2015

Active Online Teaching Strategies: Sharing Best Practices (Blind Peer-reviewed Round Table), Lilly Conference on Evidence-Based Teaching and Learning, Austin, TX

2014

A Survey of Active Online Teaching Strategies (Panel Presenter), Kent State University Online Learning Symposium, Kent, OH
To Buy or Not To Buy: Vetting in the Age of Independent Publishing (Panel Moderator), Ohio Library Council Convention & Expo, Columbus, OH
Carpe Diem! Seize the Day! 5 Things You Can Do NOW to Transform Your Library (Keynote Address), Texas Library Association District 9 Meeting, Midland, TX

2010

When Disaster Strikes... Will You Be Prepared?, Ohio Education Library Media Association (OELMA) Conference, Columbus, OH
Training Camp: How Libraries Can Benefit from Hosting a Library Practicum Student, 61st Annual Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries (ORALL) Conference, Canton, OH

2008

Weeders Attract More Readers!, Ohio Education Library Media Association (OELMA) Conference, Columbus, OH
Weeders Attract More Readers!, Ohio Library Council (OLC) Children's and YA Conference, Columbus, OH
Weeders Attract More Readers!, Public Library Association (PLA) National Conference, Minneapolis, MN
Weeders Attract More Readers! (Webinar) Public Library Association (PLA) Virtual Conference, Minneapolis, MN
Panel Discussion: *Preparing for a Tenure-Track Position*, Association of Library and Information Science Educators (ALISE), Seattle, WA

2005

Collection Development and Weeding with the CREW Method, New Hampshire Library Association Annual Conference, Manchester, NH

2000

Weeding Library Collections and Reference Resources, Border Regional Library Association (BRLA), Las Cruces, NM

1998

Weeding School Library Collections, Texas Association of School Librarians (TASL) annual conference, Austin, TX

Using String Stories in Library Programming, Children's Book Festival, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX

IN-SERVICE WORKSHOPS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**2019**

Collection Development Basics [webinar], Prairieland (MN) Library Exchange

2018

Conducting a Reference Interview, Geauga County Library System, Geauga, OH

Weeders Attract More Readers! Weeding Children's Materials, Northeast Ohio Regional Library System (NEO-RLS), Stow, OH

2017

Best Practices in Weeding (4 workshops), San Francisco Public Library & Pacific Library Partnership, San Francisco, CA

Best Practices in Weeding, Central Washington University, Ellensburg, WA

2016

Best Practices in Weeding, Northeast Ohio Regional Library System (NEO-RLS), Twinsburg, OH

The Kids Are Alright! Serving Youth on the Frontlines, Mansfield/Richland County Public Library In-Service, Mansfield, OH

Reference Services Boot Camp, Northeast Florida Library Information Network (NEFLIN), Ormond Beach, FL

2014

Weeding Nonfiction and E-Materials, Northeast Ohio Regional Library System Summer Library Symposium, Kent, OH

Module 6 Introduction [Video recording], Kent State University Office of Continuing and Distance Education (OCDE) Orientation for Online Teaching Faculty

2013

Tips for Successful Online Teaching, Kent State University Office of Continuing and Distance Education (OCDE) Peer Mentoring Videos

2012

Collection Development: The New Balancing Act, Northeast Florida Library Information Network (NEFLIN), Jacksonville, FL

2011

Collection Development Tips for Tight Budgets, Northeast Florida Library Information Network (NEFLIN), Jacksonville, FL
Weeding Library Collections, London Public Library Staff Development, London, OH
Collection Development Tips for Tight Budgets, Southwest Florida Library Network (SWFLN), Key West, FL

2010

Collection Development: The New Balancing Act, Southwest Ohio and Neighboring Libraries (SWON), Cincinnati, OH

2009

The Reference Interview/Providing Effective Reference Services, Western Massachusetts Regional Library System (WMRLS)
Weeders Attract More Readers! Western Massachusetts Regional Library System (WMRLS), Central Massachusetts Regional Library System (CMRLS), and Northeast Massachusetts Regional Library System (NEMLS)
Weeders Attract More Readers!, Southeast Massachusetts Regional Library System (SEMRLS) and Metrowest Massachusetts Regional Library System (MWRLS)
Weeders Attract More Readers!, Southwest Ohio and Neighboring Libraries (SWON)
Revisiting the Reference Interview, Southwest Ohio and Neighboring Libraries (SWON)
Weeders Attract More Readers!, Southeast Ohio Regional Library System (SERLS)

2008

Weeders Attract More Readers! Northeast Ohio Regional Library System (NEO-RLS) (Videoconference), Warren, OH
Collection Development: The New Balancing Act, Tampa Bay (FL) Library Consortium, Tampa Bay, FL
Weeders Attract More Readers!, Southeast Ohio Regional Library System (SERLS), Wellston, OH
Advanced Collection Building: Pulling It All Together, Ft. Bend County (TX) Library System, Richmond, TX

2007

Weeders Attract More Readers!, Southeast Ohio Regional Library System (SERLS), Wellston, OH
Collection Development: The New Balancing Act, Northeast Ohio Regional Library System (NEO-RLS), Warren, OH
Weeding with the CREW Method, Ft. Bend County (TX) Library System, Richmond, TX
Weeding Reference Collections, Northeast Ohio Regional Library System (NEO-RLS), Warren, OH
Weeding for Exemplary Collections, Houston Independent School District, Houston, TX

2006

Weeders Attract More Readers!, Houston Area Library System, Houston, TX
Collection Development, Amigos Library Services, Little Rock, AR

2005

Weeding with the CREW Method, (Preconference Workshop) Texas Library Association Annual Conference, Austin, TX

2004

Print and Online Reference Resources, Houston Independent School District, Houston, TX

Weeding with the CREW Method, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, Louisville, KY

Using the TexShare Databases, Houston Area Library System, Houston, TX

Basic Reference Skills, Northeast Texas Library System, Ft. Worth, TX

Weeding with the CREW Method, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, Eddyville, KY

Evaluating Print and Online K-12 Reference Resources, Northside Independent School District, San Antonio, TX

Print and Online Reference Resources, Houston Independent School District, Houston, TX

Weeding with the CREW Method, Texas Trans-Pecos Library System, El Paso, TX

2003

Weeding with the CREW Method, (Preconference Workshop) Kentucky Library Association, Louisville, KY

Weeding with the CREW Method, Alamo Area Library System, San Antonio, TX

Evaluating Reference Resources: Print and Online, NOLA Regional Library System, New Philadelphia, OH

Weeding with the CREW Method, Northside Independent School District, San Antonio, TX

Reference Skills, West Texas Library System, Lubbock, TX

Kids' Stuff on the Web and *Business Internet Resources* workshops Amigos Library Services, Little Rock, AR

Writing a Collection Development Policy, South Texas Library System, Edinburg, TX

Reference Skills, Greater Cincinnati Library Consortium (GCLC), Cincinnati, OH

Weeding with the CREW Method, Region IV Education Service Center, Houston, TX

Weeding with the CREW Method and *Reference Skills*, North Texas Regional Library System (NTRLS), Ft. Worth, TX

Reference Skills, Ohio Valley Area Libraries (OVAL), Jackson, OH

Weeding with the CREW Method, NOLA Regional Library System/Cleveland Area Municipal Libraries (CAMLs), Marietta, OH

Reference Skills workshop series Oklahoma, Amigos Library Services, Altus & Alva, OK

Reference Skills, Texas Panhandle Library System, Amarillo, TX

2002

Reference Skills, Houston Area Library System, Houston, TX

Weeding with the CREW Method, Greater Cincinnati Library Consortium (GCLC), Florence, KY

Weeding with the CREW Method, MOLO Regional Library System, New Philadelphia, OH

Weeding with the CREW Method, Ohio Valley Area Libraries (OVAL), Gallipolis, OH

The Reference Interview, San Antonio Public Library, San Antonio, TX
Weeding Library Collections, Region V Education Service Center, Beaumont, TX

1999

Weeding Library Collections, Oklahoma Department of Libraries, Oklahoma City, Tulsa and McAlistar, OK

1998

Urban Legends, Using String Stories in Library Programming, and Reference Services for Children, Texas Library Association/District 8 Meeting, Victoria, TX

TRAINING INSTITUTES

2006

Reference Services, Utah Public Library Institute for Training (UPLIFT), Utah State Library, St. John, UT
Reference Services, Advanced Track, Winter Institute, Missouri State Library, Columbia, MO

2005

Collection Development, Advanced Track, Winter Institute, Missouri State Library, Columbia, MO

2004

Reference Services, Small Library Management Training Program, Texas State Library & Archives Commission, Richmond, Denton, Lubbock and Amarillo, TX
Reference Services, Utah Public Library Institute for Training (UPLIFT), Utah State Library Division, Salt Lake City, UT
Collection Development, Small Library Management Training Program, Texas State Library & Archives Commission, Richmond, Denton, Lubbock and Amarillo, TX

2003

Collection Development, Advanced Track, Summer Institute, Missouri State Library, Columbia, MO

2002

Reference Services, Utah Public Library Institute for Training (UPLIFT), Utah State Library Division, Salt Lake City, UT

2000

Reference Services, Utah Public Library Institute for Training (UPLIFT), Utah State Library Division, Salt Lake City, UT
Reference Services, Advanced Track, Summer Institute, Missouri State Library, Columbia, MO

RESEARCH PROJECTS

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

- A Survey of the Active Online Teaching Strategies Used by SLIS
Full-time and Part-time Faculty 2014
- Harry Potter and the Would-Be Censors: Can the Boy-Who-Lived Enchant
the Would-Be-Censors Who Read His Story? (\$3,000 grant) 2008-2009

STATE LIBRARY OF OHIO

- Determining the Training and Professional Development Needs of Ohio
Public Library Staff Serving Children and Teens (\$15,000 grant) 2006-2007

KSU INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

- Book Discussion Groups for Women Aged 65 and Over by Barbara Bauer
(Faculty Reader) 2014-2015

OTHER GRANTS

TEXAS STATE LIBRARY & ARCHIVES COMMISSION

- Primary Author, Training Component of Library of Texas Project Grant 2001
- Secondary Author, Gates Training Grant (\$200,800) 1999

CONSULTING

- Central Washington University** 2017
Advised library director and staff on collection management and weeding.
- Biblioteca, Universidad Francisco Marroquin (Guatemala)** 2005-2006
Assisted university librarian in establishing reference services and policies,
provided training for student reference staff and university faculty.
- The University of Texas at Austin, School of Information** 2004
Conducted focus groups for IMLS-funded research on school library collaboration.
- South Texas Library System** 2003
Reviewed and approved collection development policies for 59 public libraries.
- Austin Community College** 2000-2001
Conducted focus groups with faculty for planning and restructuring of the
College's services and courses.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

Advisory Board, Center for Teaching and Learning	2015-2016
College of Communication (CCI) Diversity Team <i>Chair, Student Event Sub-committee, 2017</i>	2016-Present
Great Space Initiative Committee	2018-Present
University Teaching Council (<i>Chair, 2017-2018</i>)	2014-2018
University Commencement Committee	2008-Present
University Committee to select a Learning Management System	2019-2020
University Press Editorial Board	2019-2022
Virginia Hamilton Conference on Multi-cultural Literature for Youth (Planning Committee)	2007-2017

KSU SCHOOL OF INFORMATION

Accreditation & Assessment Committee (<i>Chair</i>)	2012-2013
Admissions, Awards and Academic Standing Committee on Accreditation, Team IV	2007-2008, 2015-2017 2010-2011
Core Curriculum Review Committee	2014-2016
Curriculum Committee	2006-2015
Director Review Committee	2009
Faculty Affairs Committee	2017-2019, 2020-2021
Faculty Search Committee – Columbus Faculty	2007-08
Faculty Search Committee – Youth Services Faculty	2011-12
Part-Time Faculty Handbook Committee	2010
Online Education Committee (<i>Chair, 2013-2014, 2016-2017</i>) <i>Committee Action: Developed Online Instructor Manual</i>	2011-2017
Student Academic Complaint Committee	2008-2009
Student Affairs Committee	2019-2020
Youth Services Working Group	2012-2017

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

STATE LIBRARY OF OHIO

Ohio Library Support Staff Certification Working Group	2014-2016
Take 5! Youth Services Museum-Library-School Partnership	2011-2017
Choose to Read Ohio Program Production Team	2008-2017
Youth Services Advisory Council	2006-Present
Library Services & Technology Act Advisory Board	2008-2015

OHIOANA LIBRARY

Ohioana Book Festival Planning Committee	2008-2012
Ohioana Book Festival - Kids Activities (Organizer)	2008-2012

OHIO LIBRARIES

Ohio Council of Library and Information Services (OCLIS)	2008-2012
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GRANT REVIEW COMMITTEES

STATE LIBRARY OF OHIO

Reviewer, Choose to Read Ohio Special LSTA Grants	2009-2011
Library Services & Technology Act (LSTA) Advisory Council Member	2009-2014
LSTA Full Grant Reviewer	2008-2014
<i>Committee Chair</i> (2011)	
LSTA Mini-Grant Reviewer	2007-2014
<i>Committee Chair</i> (2010, 2012, 2013)	

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

Co-op Fellowship Grants	
Member, Final Review Committee	2004
<i>Chair</i> , Review Committee for Schools of Natural Sciences and Fine Arts	2003

TEXAS PUBLIC BROADCASTING EDUCATIONAL NETWORK (TPBEN)

Content Advisory Board	2001-2003
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TEXAS STATE LIBRARY & ARCHIVES COMMISSION

TexShare Education Working Group	1999-2003
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TEXAS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Texas Book Festival Grant Review Committee	2000
Texas Book Festival Grant Review Committee	1999
Christina B. Woll Memorial Grant Review Committee	1997-2000

TOCKER FOUNDATION (AUSTIN, TX)

Grant Review Committee	2000
Grant Review Committee	1998

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

STATE ASSOCIATIONS**Ohio Library Council (OLC)**

Library Development Committee	2008-2009
Library Education Committee	2009-2015
Past Chair (2013-2014)	
<i>Committee Action: Revised Core Competencies for Ohio Public Library Staff</i>	
Chair (2012-2013)	
<i>Committee Action: Developed Public Library Staff Certification Program</i>	
Assistant Chair (2011-2012)	

Texas Library Association (TLA)

Secretary-elect, District III	2005-2006
Annual Conference Local Arrangements Committee	2004-2005
Chair, TLA Store Subcommittee	

Continuing Education Providers Interest Group Chair (2001-2002) Councilor or Alternate Councilor (2002-2005)	2000-2006
Intellectual Freedom Committee	2000-2002
Continuing Education and Development Committee Chair (1999-2000, 1998-1999)	1995-2001
Public Library Division Nominating Committee (1997-1998) Chair, Planning Committee (1999-2000)	1993-Present

NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Library Association (ALA)
Association of Library and Information Science Educators (ALISE)
Association of Library Services To Children (ALSC)
Public Library Association (PLA)