

# Christopher A. Cunningham

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## **Research Areas**

❖ Information Access/Digital Divide

❖ Economic Impacts of Information

## **Education**

University of South Carolina

May 2015

PhD in Library and Information Science

Kent State University

Expected Graduation 2022

Master of Business Administration

Concentration: Business Analytics

University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Dec 2007

Masters of Library and Information Studies

University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Aug 2002

Bachelors of Arts in History

Minors: Mathematics and Physics

New Horizons

Oct 2000

Network Plus Training

Cisco Certified Network Associate Training (CCNA)

Guilford Technical and Community College

Dec 2000

Microsoft Certified Software Engineer Training (MCSE)

## **Publications**

Chow, A., Cunningham, C., and Shibaeva, E., The Professional Preparation of Librarians - A Global Study. *Libri* (Submitted)

Cunningham, C., (2019). *Governmental Structures, Social Inclusion, and the Digital Divide*. *Libri*, Volume 69, Issue 1, Pages 13–26, ISSN (Online) 1865-8423, ISSN (Print) 0024-2667, DOI: <https://doi-org.proxy.lib.utk.edu/10.1515/libri-2018-0084>.

IFLA BSLISE Working Group (2018). *Building Strong LIS Education: A Call to Global and Local Action – An IFLA BSLISE Working Group White Paper*. Cape Town: University of Cape Town Libraries. doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.15641/0-7992-2542-6>

Cunningham, C., Dressler, V., Grguric, E., Gamble, A. and Khan, N. (2017). *Digital liaisons virtual uncommons: Connecting information and people in order to enhance lives via digital librarianship*. In S. Erdelez & N.K. Agarwal (Eds.), *Proceedings of the Association for Information Science and Technology* (pp. 556–558.) Hoboken, NJ: Wiley. <https://doi.org/10.1002/pr2.2017.14505401071>

Cunningham, C. A., Grguric, E. and Gamble, A. (2016), *Digital liaisons virtual uncommons: Creating knowledge, enhancing lives via digital libraries*. *Proc. Assoc. Info. Sci. Tech.*, 53: 1–5. doi:10.1002/pr2.2016.14505301015

## **Conference Presentations**

Cunningham, C., Dressler, V., Grguric, E., Gamble, A. and Khan, N. (2017). *Digital liaisons virtual uncommons: Connecting information and people in order to enhance lives via digital librarianship*. Presentation at the ASIST Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, 2017

Cunningham, C., Grguric, E., Gamble, A., *Digital Liaisons Virtual Uncommons: Creating Knowledge, Enhancing Lives via Digital Libraries*. Presentation at the ASIST Annual Meeting, Copenhagen, Denmark, 2016

Deng, L., Trembach, S., Yoho, D., Zhang, E., Cunningham, C., *Breaking Barriers to Information Access: New Information Literacies in Service to Wider Communities*. . Presentation at the Association for Library and Information Science Annual Conference, Boston, MA, 2016.

Cunningham, C., *Governmental Structures, Social Inclusion, and the Digital Divide: A discourse on the affinity between the effects of freedom and access to online information resources*. Presentation at the ASIST Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO, 2015.

Tremback, S., Deng, L., Cunningham, C. *Moving Forward With a Look Back* . Presentation at the Association for Library and Information Science Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, 2015.

Cunningham, C., *Governmental Structures, Social Inclusion, and the Digital Divide: A discourse on the affinity between the effects of freedom and access to online information resources*. Poster presented for the 2014 ALISE/Jean Tague-Sutcliffe Doctoral Poster Competition, at the Association for Library and Information Science Annual Conference , Philadelphia, PA, 2014

Arns, J., Williams, R., Cunningham, C., Miller, K. *South Carolina Economic Impact Studies: May We Live In Interesting Times*. Poster presented at the Association for Library and Information Science Annual Conference, San Diego, CA, 2011.

Cunningham, C. *Does technology allow underdeveloped countries to expand internet access at a greater pace?* University of South Carolina Graduate Student Day, 2010.

Arns, J., Williams, R., Cunningham, C. *South Carolina Economic Impact Studies*. Presentation to the Institute of Museum and Library Services, Baltimore, MD, 2010.

## **Classes Taught**

### **Undergraduate:**

Using Information Resources (USC)  
Fall 2010; Spring 2011  
Computer Applications in Libraries (USM)  
Fall 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018  
Internet Resources and Applications (USM)  
Spring 2016, 2017, 2018

### **Graduate:**

Introduction to Library and Information Studies (Foundations)  
Spring 2012, 2013, 2014 (USC), Spring 2014, 2015, 2016 (UNC)

Greensboro); Fall 2015 (UNC Greensboro),  
 Special Libraries (USC)  
 Summer II 2011; Spring 2014  
 Information Networks (USC)  
 Fall 2011; Summer II 2012, 2013; Spring 2014, 2015  
 Business Information Sources (USC)  
 Fall 2012  
 Online Information Services (USC)  
 Fall 2013; Summer I 2015, 2016  
 Seminar in Information Services (USC)  
 Fall 2013  
 Academic Libraries (USC)  
 Fall 2014  
 Design and Management of Databases (USC)  
 Fall 2014, 2015  
 Library Management (USM)  
 Fall 2015  
 Fundamentals of Information Science (USM)  
 Spring 2016, 2017, 2018; Fall 2016, 2017, 2018;  
 Summer 2017, 2018  
 Computer Applications in Libraries (USM)  
 Fall 2015, 2016, 2017  
 Internet Resources and Applications (USM)  
 Spring 2016, 2017, 2018  
 British Studies: British Libraries, Archives, and Special Collections (USM)  
 Summer 2017, 2018  
 Online Information Retrieval (USM)  
 Summer 2017, 2018

Guest Lectures: Issues in Information and Communication in Sub-Saharan Africa (USC)  
 Fall 2011; Summer II 2013  
 Special Libraries (USC)  
 Fall 2012.  
 Introduction to Library and Information Studies (Foundations) (USC)  
 Fall 2013, 2014; Spring 2014

## **Works in Progress**

Public Libraries and Real Estate: A Quantitative Study of the Impact of Library Closings on Real Estate Prices in the Greater Charlotte Metropolitan Area

Demography and the Public Library: Applications of GIS in Capturing Demographics for Service Areas of Public Libraries

A Last Mile Narrative - Burkes Garden, Virginia: A Look at Efforts to Close the Digital Divide in Rural Virginia

Public Libraries and Website Ownership: A study of Public Library Website Usage and Ownership

## **Grants and Awards**

Storing and Accessing Data, Algorithms, and Programs in Libraries: Training Institute (submitted)  
– IMLS 2020

Ready to Code Fellowship (Not Funded)	2017
Proquest Doctoral Dissertation Award	2015
ASIST SIG-KM Student Program Grant	Oct. 2014
University of South Carolina Graduate School Travel Grant	Dec. 2013
ASIST SIG-ED Doctoral Student Travel Grant	Oct 2012
University of South Carolina Graduate School Travel Grant	Dec. 2011
Institute of Museum and Library Services Doctoral Fellowship	Aug. 2009-May 2015

## **Professional Associations**

Association for Library and Information Science Education  
Association for Information Science and Technology  
North Carolina Library Association  
Special Libraries Association

## **Service**

Reviewer for ASIS&T 2020 Annual Meeting  
Co-Chair BSLISE Working Group A in conjunction with IFLA  
Reviewer for *Libri*: International Journal of Libraries and Information Services  
Co-Chair Elect – ASIS&T SIG-ED 2012-2013  
Co-Chair – ASIS&T SIG-ED 2013-2014  
Doctoral Student Mentor 2011-2015  
Co-Chair – ASIS&T SIG-III International Reception Committee 2013  
Invited Speaker: Virginia Beach Public Library System Annual Conference - March 2014  
Invited Speaker: UNC Greensboro ACE Scholars Institute – June 2014  
Invited Speaker: The USC Symposium on Africa and the Information Society– April 2015  
Digital Liaison Officer – ASIS&T SIG-DL 2015-2016, 2016-2017  
Co-Chair – ALISE Works in Progress Poster Session 2016-2017  
IHL Diversity Award Committee at USM 2017-2018

Co-Chair – ALISE Deans, Directors and Chairs Council 2017-2019  
Gregory Peck Scholarship Committee 2017-2018  
Secondary Reader - USM SLIS for MLIS graduate students 2016-2018  
USM LISSA Faculty Advisor 2017-2018

## **Work Experience**

<u>North Carolina Central University</u>	<u>Durham, NC</u>
<b>Adjunct Faculty</b>	Fall 2019, 2020
<u>University of Tennessee</u>	<u>Knoxville, TN</u>
<b>Adjunct Faculty</b>	Spring 2019
<u>Cutting Edge Signs</u>	<u>Concord, NC</u>
<b>Data Analyst</b>	September 2018 – Present
<u>University of Southern Mississippi</u>	<u>Hattiesburg, MS</u>
<b>Assistant Professor</b>	August 2016– August 2018
<b>Adjunct Faculty</b>	Fall 2015, Spring 2016
<u>Cutting Edge Signs</u>	<u>Concord, NC</u>
<b>Data Analyst</b>	September 2013 – August 2016
<u>University of North Carolina - Greensboro</u>	<u>Greensboro, NC</u>
<b>Adjunct Faculty</b>	Spring 2014, 2015, Fall 2015, Spring 2016
<u>University of South Carolina</u>	<u>Columbia, SC</u>
<b>Instructor</b>	Aug. 2010 - Present
<b>Research Assistant</b>	Aug. 2009 – Aug. 2010, July 2013 – May 2014
<u>University of North Carolina - Charlotte</u>	<u>Charlotte, NC</u>
<b>Graduate Student Services Coordinator</b>	July 2004 – Sept. 2009
<u>Cutting Edge Signs</u>	<u>Concord, NC</u>
<b>Chief Information Officer</b>	June 2002 – July 2004
<u>WZ Inc.</u>	<u>Greensboro, NC</u>
<b>Chief Information Officer</b>	Jan. 1997 – March 2001