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Curriculum vitae

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EDUCATION

M.A. Library & Information Science, University of South Florida, 2020, GPA: 4.0

Graduate Certificate, Publishing, New York University, 2017, GPA: 3.85

B.A. English Literature, University of South Florida, GPA: 3.12 overall, 3.38 in major

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2020 **Independent Study**, Representations of Neurodiversity in 21st Century Middle Grade Prose and Graphic Novels

Director: Dr. Natalie Greene Taylor, University of South Florida

Project in progress, Fall 2020: on depictions of neurodiverse characters in middle grade literature, the publishing industry and librarian roles, as well as how the #OwnVoices movement has impacted this in recent years.

2016 **Advanced Undergraduate Research**, "Creating Place Attachment in a City of High Mobility: Why Tampa is Not a University Town."

Director: Dr. Laura Runge, University of South Florida

Co-Director: Dr. Heather Fox, Eastern Kentucky University

Conducted literature review and analyzed primary documents to determine how the socioeconomics of Tampa Bay affect the experiences of USF students and community compared to other universities in Florida.

DEPARTMENTAL TALKS

2019 Aranda, A., Hutton, M., & **Slagus, J.** (2019) "Life After an English B.A." USF English Department, April 10.

2019 Aranda, A., Hutton, M., & **Slagus, J.** (2019) "Life After an English B.A." USF English Department, December 2.

2018 Berman, H., Osorio, A., & **Slagus, J.** (2018). "Professionalism & The Recent English Graduate" USF English Department, March 25.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2019** **Slagus, J.** & Ariew, S. "A New Generation of Textbook Affordability Practices." Florida Association of College and Research Libraries Conference, October 18.
- 2016** **Slagus, J.** "Creating Place Attachment in a City of High Mobility: Why Tampa is Not a University Town." South Atlantic Modern Language Association 88 Conference, November 4.

NON-ACADEMIC WORK

- 2018-Present** **University of South Florida Libraries, Textbook Affordability Project Coordinator, Tampa, Florida**
Develop recommendations for faculty to lower student textbook costs. Collaborate with library liaisons and department chairs to understand department cultures and create communication strategies that best promote affordability programs to faculty. Analyze data daily to provide department-level assessments on savings and impact.
- 2017-2018** **W. W. Norton & Company, Publisher Representative, Tampa, Florida**
Developed and maintained relationships with academic faculty across 36 colleges and universities in Tampa, Orlando, and Gainesville, Florida to assess learning material needs and promote student accessibility. Promoted educational materials through hosting presentations, media demos, workshops, and book fairs.

INTERNSHIP

- 2017** **Simply Gluten Free Magazine, Editorial & Production Intern, Dunedin, Florida**
Created original content for website and newsletters; copyedited national print magazine. Marketed and developed co-branded and "advertorial" content using Photoshop, InDesign, and PremierePro.

CONFERENCES ATTENDED

- 2020 Adobe MAX, October 20-22.
2020 Open Textbook Network Summit, June 15-25.
2020 BookExpo America, May 26-29.
2019 Florida Association of College and Research Libraries, October 17-18.

2017 BookExpo America & BookCon, May 31-June 4.
2016 South Atlantic Modern Language Association 88, November 4-6.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2020 Introduction to College Teaching Course, Academy for Teaching and Learning Excellence, University of South Florida
2020 Temporary Florida Teaching Certificate, Florida Department of Education

SERVICE

African American Experience in Florida Collections, Member, USF Libraries, 2020
CSK: 50 Years Strong, Researcher, Hillsborough County Public Libraries, 2019
Tampa Library Events, Committee Member, USF Libraries, 2019-2021
InService & Professional Development, Committee Member, USF Libraries, 2018-2020

MEMBERSHIPS

American Library Association
Children's Literature Assembly of National Council of Teachers of English
Open and Affordable Florida of Florida Virtual Campus
Suncoast Information Specialists

HONORS AND AWARDS

2013-2017 NCAA Division I Student-Athlete, Track and Field.
2013-2017 Awarded undergraduate academic and athletic scholarship of \$16,000 per year plus the cost of all books and course materials each semester.
2016-2017 American Athletic Conference All-Academic Honor.

SKILLS & SOFTWARE

Adobe Creative Suite: Audition, Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop, PremierePro
Microsoft Office: Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint, Teams, Word
Web Design and Content Management System Editing: Squarespace, WordPress
Social Media & SEO Marketing