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**Summary**

Experienced researcher with 6 years working in the field of Information Science and 3 years teaching in Library and Information Science/Information Technology, synchronously and asynchronously, on the collegiate level.

Expert on the information needs and behaviors of marginalized populations with an emphasis on user experience, information organization, equitable access to information, and the ethical management of information organizations.

Working collaboratively with faculty and staff at 3 public R1 universities to establish and enact innovative course content and instruct/mentor approximately 100 students per semester in nationally ranked Information Science programs.

Knowledgeable in project management, research methods and data analysis, scholarly publishing, diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives.

**Education**

THE Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL

**PhD, The Florida State University iSchool**

Areas of Concentration: Information Organization (bibliographic control, controlled vocabularies, digital libraries & metadata) Information Needs of Young Adults (collection development, information behavior), Older Adults and Information Technology (library programming for underserved communities, digital information literacy), Intellectual Access, Research Methods and Analysis, Information/Sociological Theory, Information Needs of LGBTQAI+ Young Adults, College Students with Autism and the Academic Library, Information Literacy, Storytelling in the Modern World, Diversity & Inclusion, Library Policies, Library Programming

**2019**

**Master of Library and Information Studies**

Areas of Concentration: Information Needs of Various Ages and Demographics, Management of Information Organizations, Reference Services, Dissemination of Information, Information Retrieval,

Public Policy, Metadata, Collection Curation, Public Library Management, Community Programming, Information Needs of Adults, Young Adult, Older Adults, and Children

**2017**

**Certification in Youth Services Librarianship**

Areas of Concentration: Information Needs of Young Adults, Graphic Novels, Information Needs of Children,

International/Multicultural Children’s and Young Adult Literature

**2017**

TIFFIN UNIVERSITY, TIFFIN, OH

**Master of Humanities with a Concentration in English**

Areas of Concentration: British Literature, Literature of Modernity, Humanities, Pedagogical Theory, and Theory of Aesthetics **2014**

THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA, GAINESVILLE, FL

**B.A. in Linguistics, Minor in English 1996**

Areas of Concentration: Linguistics, Speech Pathology, Grammar, English

**Professional Experience**

OLD DOMINION UNIVERISTY

**Adjunct Assistant Professor**

LIBS656 User Services & Programming 2022-2023

LIBS647 Reading and Literature for Adults 2021

LIBS110 Information Literacy for the Digital Age 2021

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

**Adjunct Professor**

LIS5043 Organization of Information 2021/2022/2023

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY EUROPE (DODEA)

**Interim Information Specialist, School Media Center** 2021

**Paraprofessional Moderate to Severe Special Education**  2020/2021

**Substitute Teacher Grades 6-8** 2019

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

**Adjunct Professor**

LIS5703 Information Organization 2022-2023

LIS5566 Multicultural Resources for Children and Young Adults 2022

LIS5241 International and Comparative Information Services 2021/2023

LIS5271 Research Methods in LIS 2021/2022/2023

LIS5408 Management of Information Organizations 2020/2021

LIS4708 Perspectives in Information Technology 2020/2021

LIS5577 Graphic Novels in Libraries 2020/2023

LIS5203 Information Behavior 2020/2022-2023

**Graduate Research Assistant**

ALA Accreditation Assessment 2019

Information Literacy in Community Colleges (IMLS Funded) 2018

FSU iSchool Recruiting and Advising 2018

Project A+-College Students with Autism and the Academic Library (IMLS Funded) 2017

**Graduate Lead Instructor**

LIS3267 Information Science 2019

**Graduate Teaching Assistant**

LIS5528, Storytelling for Information Professionals 2019

LIS5703, Information Organization2019

IFS 2014, Information Literacy and Society 2018

LIS 5565, Information Needs of Children 2018

LIS 5564, Information Needs of Young Adults 2017

LIS 3041, Technical Communication 2016

**Academic Program Specialist, Department of English** 2015-2016

**Academic Advisor, Advising First, Department of Undergraduate Studies** 2014-2015

TIFFIN UNIVERSITY

**Academic Tutor for English Composition, Online Tutoring Program for ESOL** 2014

**Current Membership in Professional Organizations**

Beta Phi Mu Gamma Chapter, Florida State University

American Library Association

American Library Association- Florida State University Student Chapter

Young Adult Library Services Association

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Round Table, American Library Association

Children’s Literature Association

Golden Key National Honor Society

Association for Library and Information Science Education

**Presentations/Publications**

**Escobar, Kristie. (2021).** LGBTQAI+ young adult literature as an arcade of ideas: Learning about life, love, and community through reader response theory. Presented at the Children’s Literature Association Annual Conference, June 2021. Virtual.

**Escobar, K. L.** (2021). “It’s okay to be confused”: LGBTQAI+ teen novels as sexuality and sexual health information resources. Presented at the “Let’s Talk About Sex in YA” conference, May 2021 Cambridge University.

Agosto, D., Abbas, J., Barriage, S., DiGiacomo, D., Greenhalgh, S., **Escobar, K.**, Evans, S., & Subramaniam, M.

“What do youth service librarians need? Reassessing goals and curricula in the context of changing information needs and behaviors of youth”. Presented at the American Library and Information Science Educators (ALISE) Annual Conference 2020. Virtual.

**Escobar, Kristie** (2020). Embracing our differences: A thoughtful conversation about diversity and inclusion in 21s century organizations. Presenting at the Americans Working in Germany (AWAG) Annual Conference 2020, Wiesbaden, Germany.

**Escobar, Kristie** (2020). “It’s okay to be confused”: LGBTQAI+ teen novels as sexuality and sexual health information resources. *The* *Journal of Research on Libraries and Young Adults, 11, No.1.* http://www.yalsa.ala.org/jrlya/.

Kyungwon Koh, Abigail Phillips, Maria Cahill, **Kristie Escobar**, Lesley Farmer, Kasey Garrison, Karen Gavigan, Mary Howard, Soohyung Joo and Rachel Magee (2019) “Youth Services in the Global Learning Community”, Presented at the American Library and Information Science Educators (ALISE) Annual Conference 2019, Knoxville, Tennessee

**Escobar, K.L.** (2019). *“A Library is a Place Where You Can Lose You Innocence Without Losing Your Virginity.”: Young Adult Literature, LGBTQAI+ Teens, and Sexual Health Information*. (ProQuest Embargoed Publication). Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida.

**Escobar, K.L.** (2019) “A Library is a Place Where You Can Lose Your Innocence Without Losing Your Virginity.”: Young Adult Literature, LGBTQAI+ Teens, and Sexual Health Information Children’s Literature Association 2019 Annual Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Everhart, N., & **Escobar, K. L**. (2018). Conceptualizing the information seeking of college students on the autism spectrum through participant viewpoint ethnography. *Library & Information Science Research*, *40*(3-4), 269-276.

**Escobar, K.** & Everhart, E. (2017) User Experiences in the Academic Library for Students on the Autism Spectrum: An Ethnographic Research Study Using a GoPro Camera. Poster accepted at the Association for Library and Information Educators 2018 (National), 4th Place Florida State University College of Communication and Information, Doctoral Research Award, Fall 2017

**Escobar, K.** & Escobar, E. (Feb. 4-6 2016) Cathartic Metamorphosis: Veteran faculty as mentors for student veterans within majors and departments. Poster presented at the NASPA Symposium for Military Connected Students, Orlando, Florida (National).

**Awards**

Florida State University iSchool Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award 2020

Esther Maglathlin Doctoral Research Scholarship 2019

American Library Association Young Adult Library Services Association Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship **2019**

Florida State University iSchool Doctoral Researcher of the Year **2019**

Florida State University Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award Nominee **2019**

Florida State University College of Communication and Information Lewis Marxen Scholarship Recipient **2018**

Florida State University College of Communication and Information Doctoral Research Event 4th place **2017**

Florida State University College of Communication and Information Lewis Marxen Scholarship Recipient **2017**

**Service Within the Profession**

* 2022 School Librarianship Advisory Committee, University of Oklahoma SLIS
* Manuscript Reviewer, SAGE Open
* 2020-2022 Association of Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) Community conn@CT Mini-grantsCommittee Member
* 2019-2020 American Library Association Rainbow Book List Committee Member
* 2018 The Florida State iSchool Student Experience Committee, PhD Program Representative
* 2018-2019 American Library Association Stonewall Book Awards- Adult Subcommittee
* 2017-2018 American Library Association Rainbow List Committee Member
* 2016 The Florida State iSchool Education Committee, PhD Program Representative
* 2016 American Library Association, FSU Chapter Secretary
* Since 2015 Florida State University Veteran’s Liaison
* Since 2016 Graduate Assistants United, Diversity Committee Member

**Service Within the Community**

* Since 2019 Wiesbaden Garrison PRIDE Commemoration Committee Member
* Since 2019 Wiesbaden Community Housing Working Group Member
* Since 2015 Leroy Collins Public Library Volunteer
* Since 2014 Information Resource Center Volunteer, Chiles High School