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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

Florida State University School of Information, Tallahassee, FL
PhD Candidate in Information June 2021-Expected Grad: May 2025

University of South Florida School of Information, Tampa, FL
Master of Arts in Library and Information Science December 2020
President of the USF Student Chapter of ASIS&T: Fall 2020
Inducted into Beta Phi Mu; GPA: 4.0

Spalding University School of Creative and Professional Writing, Louisville, KY
Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing June 2018
Student Editor for *The Louisville Review*

Rollins College Department of English, Winter Park, FL
Bachelor of Arts in English. Minor in Creative Writing May 2015
Rollins College, Winter Park, FL
Sigma Tau Delta; Magna cum laude

Valencia College, Orlando, FL
Associate of Arts. Concentration: English May 2012
Phi Theta Kappa; Honors

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES AND PUBLICATIONS

Articles in Refereed Journals

Gross, M., Latham, D., **Baum, B.**, Crabtree, L., & Randolph, K. (2024). "I didn't know it would be like this:" Professional preparation for social service information work in public libraries. *Journal of Education for Library and Information Science*, 65(1), 40-54.
<https://doi.org/10.3138/jelis-2022-0067>

Crabtree, L., Latham, D., Gross, M., **Baum, B.**, & Randolph, K. (2024). Social workers in the stacks: Public librarians' perceptions and experiences. *Public Library Quarterly*, 43(1), 109-134. <https://doi.org/10.1080/01616846.2023.2188873>

Baum, B., Gross, M., Latham, D., Crabtree, L., & Randolph, K. (2023). Bridging the service gap: Branch managers talk about social workers in public libraries. *Public Library Quarterly*, 42(4). <https://doi.org/10.1080/01616846.2022.2113696>

Taylor, N.G., Shereff, D., **Baum, B.**, Chan, J., & Cannon, P. (2022). Moving beyond the book list: Building a pediatric responsive library program. *Journal of Hospital Librarianship*, 22(1), 40-53. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15323269.2021.2019521>

Refereed Conference Proceedings

Gross, M., Latham, D., **Baum, B.** (2024). Drawing the line between social work and librarianship: Public library administrators talk. *Association for Library and Information Science Education 2024 Conference*.

Gross, M., Latham, D., **Baum, B.**, & Crabtree, L. (2022). No one told me: A dialog on preparing public librarians to provide social services in public libraries. *Association for Library and Information Science Education 2022 Conference*, 1-8. <https://iopn.library.illinois.edu/journals/aliseacp/issue/view/98>

Refereed Presentations

Williams, R., Gross, M., Latham, D., **Baum, B.**, Dudak, L., Freeburg, D., Johnson, S., and Crooks, S. (2024). *Navigating the modern librarianscape: The changing roles, labor, and education of public librarians*. [Conference presentation]. 2024 Association for Library and Information Science Education Conference.

Julien, H., Vanscoy, A., Gross, M., Latham, D., **Baum, B.**, Crabtree, L., and Colon-Aguirre, M. (2024). *Preparing students for the workplace: The good, the bad, and the ugly*. [Conference presentation]. 2024 Association for Library and Information Science Education Conference.

Taylor, N.G., Cannon, P., Shereff, D., **Baum, B.**, Chan, J., Jacobs, E., Pettus, K., & Scanlon, K. (2021). *New ways to foster public library-social work collaborations* [Conference presentation]. 2021 Florida Library Association Conference.

Taylor, N.G., Cannon, P., Shereff, D., **Baum, B.**, & Chan, J. (2020). *Incorporating responsive librarianship in youth programming* [Conference presentation]. 2020 Florida Library Association Conference.

Invited Presentations

Baum, B. (forthcoming, Nov. 2024). "Supporting the Social Services Needs of Children and Young Adults in the Library." Guest lecture to be conducted for Florida State University's School of Information, LIS 5916, Community Engagement.

Baum, B. (2023). "Promoting Young Adults' Positive Mental Health and Well-being in the Library." Guest lecture conducted for Florida State University's School of Information, LIS 5565, Information Needs of Young Adults.

Baum, B. (2023). "Storytelling in Libraries with Children and Adults: Promoting Literacy, Informal Learning, and Entertainment." Guest lecture conducted for Florida State University's School of Information, LIS 2527, Digital Storytelling in Information Environments.

Baum, B. (2023). "Community Stories: Identity and Preservation of the Past." Guest lecture conducted for Florida State University's School of Information, LIS 2527, Digital Storytelling in Information Environments.

Taylor, N.G., Cannon, P., Shereff, D., **Baum, B.**, Pettus, K., & Schellhaas, N. (2021). "Story Strong: Mind. Soul. Comics." Webinar conducted for the *American Library Association's Graphic Novels & Comics Round Table*. Available online at: https://ala-events.zoom.us/rec/play/_6HmwUMDVcF44Uok80js2NyXR6H5WDvXsd76taVtKC9YvsCqDy-y0BHW_EbOPTDbe-FvdGbukA7Ub4.iPVuL1gkclMClnpm?continueMode=true&_x_zm_rtaid=OIXjnSbDSb2aIjJ1uXM8mw.1621439169209.b223dc0d7e24e1ad68b5213d76d3d09b&_x_zm_rhtaid=345

Refereed Conference Posters

Chan, J. & **Baum, B.** (2020) *Leading forward to recovery: How librarians aid adolescent mental health literacy* [Poster session]. 2020 Florida Library Association Conference.

Shereff, D., Chan, J., Cannon, P., Taylor, N.G., & **Baum, B.** (2020). *Graphic medicine for emotional wellness: Therapeutic library programming in a pediatric behavioral health setting* [Poster session]. 2020 Medical Library Association Conference.

Conference Posters

Baum, B. (2024). *Public youth services librarians' perceptions towards and experiences in promoting teens' positive mental health: A mixed methods study*. [Poster session]. 2024 Association for Library and Information Science Education Conference.

Baum, B. (2023). *Bridging the support gap: An exploration into public youth services librarians' perceptions and experiences promoting teens' mental health in the library* [Poster session]. 2023 Association for Library and Information Science Education Conference.

Refereed Fiction (Shorter Works)

Baum, B. (2022). Six things to understand about your loss. *Waxing and Waning: A Literary Journal*, 9. Available online at: https://www.waxingandwaning.org/issue-09/six-things-to-understand-about-your-loss-by-brittany-baum-fiction_/

Baum, B. (2019). Absolution. *Cordella Magazine: Field Notes*. Available online at: <https://www.cordella.org/fieldnotes/2019/8/2/absolution>

Baum, B. (2019). Lighthouse. *The Courtship of Winds*. Available online at: <https://www.thecourtshipofwinds.org/brittany-baum>

Baum, B. (2019). The Living Years. *Blue Lake Review*. Available online at:
<https://bluelakereview.weebly.com/the-living-years.html>

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Teaching

University of South Florida, Sarasota, FL

Instructor, LIS 2005, Information Literacy (Online) Fall 2020

- Course Description: Covers the development of undergraduate research and critical thinking skills to identify, evaluate, and use appropriate information sources to address educational, research, and other information needs.

Teaching Assistantship

Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL

LIS 5203, Information Behavior (Online) Summer 2023

- (Assisted with grading course papers and weekly discussion posts related to information behavior concepts and research).

LIS 5577, Graphic Novels in Libraries (Online) Summer 2022, 2023

- (Delivered class lectures on graphic memoirs for children, teens, and adults in addition to assisting with weekly discussion post grading, attendance, and responding to student emails.)

LIS 5408, Management of Information Organizations (Online) Fall 2021, 2022; Spring 2023

- (Delivered a class lecture concerning course overview and expectations in addition to providing grading assistance with assignments such as diversity and ethics case studies, digital divide advocacy strategy presentations, and strategic plan reflection journals.)

LIS 5442, Information Leadership (Online) Spring 2023

- (Assisted with grading weekly discussion board posts on topics related to moral and ethical leadership and personal leadership philosophies as well as providing technology assistance.)

LIS 3021, Technical Communication for the Information Professions (FLEX) Fall 2022

- (Assisted with grading assignments related to resume building, cover letters, and product proposals as well as providing technology assistance.)

LIS 5528, Storytelling for Information Professionals (Online) Summer 2022

- (Delivered a class lecture on the scripting process in addition to assisting with weekly discussion post grading related to the storytelling process and goals for different populations and communities.)

LIS 5564, Information Needs of Children (Online) Spring 2022

- (Delivered a class lecture on graphic novels for children in addition to assisting with weekly discussion post grading on topics such as choosing and evaluating children's literature, resources for diverse populations, and providing reference services to youth.)

LIS 5472, Digital Libraries (Online) Spring 2022

- (Assisted with weekly discussion post grading on topics such as digital library project management, collection development, and evaluation as well as providing technology assistance.)

LIS 2527, Digital Storytelling in Information Environments (Online) Fall 2021

- (Delivered two class lectures on scripting and editing in addition to assisting with weekly discussion post grading on topics such as digital storytelling and advocacy in different information environments as well as providing technology assistance.)

Research Assistant (OPS)

Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL

School of Information Aug 2023- Present

- (Assist with the research design, data collection, analysis, and social media presence of a national IMLS funded project studying social services in public libraries from the perspective of youth services librarians, adult services librarians, and library managers.)

School of Information Aug 2021- May 2022

- (Assisted with the coding/analysis of interview transcripts on a research project studying public library-social work collaborations.)

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

School of Information Dec 2020-June 2021

- (Helped run a graphic novel therapeutic reading group and mental health literacy programming for tweens and teens inside a public library in Tampa in addition to creating original lesson plans and promotional materials for the LSTA funded project.)

Graduate Assistantship

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

School of Information August 2019-December 2020

- (Aided faculty with the daily operations, collection development, information organization, and programming of a therapeutic-focused library inside a pediatric behavioral center for children ages 5-17 as part of an NNLM grant-funded project in addition to creating original content for USF event marketing.)

Professional Library Experience

Oldsmar Public Library, Oldsmar, FL

Circulation Coordinator

March 2018-August 2019

- (Head of Interlibrary Loan (ILL) and volunteers, coordinated daily workflow behind the circulation desk, oversaw creative projects such as monthly library displays, was cross trained in youth and reference services, created content for the library’s monthly blog, proofread internal city documents, and was recruited for the city’s Innovation Team.)

Winter Park Public Library, Winter Park, FL

Circulation Specialist

June 2014-March 2018

- (Head of ILL, in charge of book displays in the library, contributed to daily operations behind the circulation desk, proofread library registrations, and registered patrons for city boat decals.)

Tutoring

Middle & High School

Language Arts, Winter Park, FL

May 2020-Dec. 2023

- (Facilitated learning and assisted with knowledge gaps in middle and high school language arts curriculum. Skills taught included basic grammar, reading and writing skills, and proper source citation.)

College

Writing consultant at Rollins College Writing Center, Winter Park, FL

Aug. 2013-Dec. 2013

- (Tutored and advised undergraduate students needing assistance with college essays, scholarship applications, creative writing, etc., in all phases of the writing process from inception to final draft.)

GRANTS

- Doctoral Candidate, Dissertation Research Grant, Funded by Florida State University’s Graduate School, March 2024, \$1,000.
- Research Assistant, “Social Services in Public Libraries,” Funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, Funding Period: August 2023 to July 2025, \$266,702.

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2024 ALISE/Jean Tague-Sutcliffe Doctoral Student Research Poster Competition (2nd place)
- Doctoral Candidate, Esther Maglathlin Doctoral Research Scholarship (\$2,000), School of Information, Florida State University
- 2024 Outstanding Doctoral Student, School of Information, Florida State University
- 2023 Outstanding Doctoral Teaching Assistant, School of Information, Florida State University

- 2014 Grace Warlow Barr Scholarship for creative writing (\$1,000), Rollins College
- 2014 Laura van den Berg Award for creative writing (\$800), Rollins College

EDITORSHIPS & REVIEWING ACTIVITIES

Editorships

Student Editor, *The Louisville Review* November 2015-May 2018

Reviewing Activities

- Book Chapter Peer Reviewer
Grossman, S. (2023). The intersection of U.S. public libraries and public health. In K.C. Williams-Cockfield, & B. Mehra. (Eds.), *How public libraries build sustainable communities in the 21st century: Advances in librarianship*. (Vol. 53, pp.273-282). Emerald Publishing Limited, Leeds. <https://doi.org/10.1108/S0065-283020230000053035>

SERVICE

FSU iSchool, Doctoral Student Representative, Student Experience Committee Oct. 2023-Present

Reviewer for the *FLYP Forward Newsletter*, Florida Library Youth Program June 2019-May 2022

Reviewer for *Lumiere Research Journal*, Lumiere Education March 2022

Intellectual Freedom Committee Member, Florida Library Association May 2019-Dec. 2020

Oldsmar Elementary School mentor, Pinellas County's Lunch Pals Program Sep. 2018-May 2019

Media Center volunteer, Oldsmar Elementary & Glenridge Middle 2018-2019

Reading and writing tutor, Adult Literacy League 2017

Public library volunteer, Winter Park Public Library March 2014-June 2014

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Public Library Association (2024)

Rainbow Round Table (2024)

REFORMA (2024)

Black Caucus American Library Association (2024)

Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association (2024)

Young Adult Library Services Association (2022-2024)

Association for Library and Information Science Education (2021-2024)

American Library Association (2020-2024)

Association for Information Science and Technology (2020-2024)

Florida Library Association (2019-2020)