

Lenese M. Colson, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor, Valdosta State University
Dynamic Information Professional, Researcher, and Educator

EDUCATION

- 2016 **Ph.D., Information**, Florida State University
Dissertation Title: *Self-Efficacy and Sense of Belonging: A Comparative Analysis of Factors that Affect Differences in Participation in Information Technology Education by Gender*
- 2008 **M. S., Library and Information Science**, Florida State University
- 2002 **M.A.Ed., Curriculum and Instruction**, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
- 2000 **B. S., Computer Science**, Norfolk State University

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor 2019-2020

Valdosta State University, Department of Library and Information Studies, Valdosta, GA

- MLIS 7220: Public Libraries
- MLIS 7280: Community Building in Libraries and Information Centers
- MLIS 7400: Collection Development
- MLIS 7800: Capstone

Instructor/Course Developer 2019

Florida Association for Career and Technical Education (FACTE), Tallahassee, FL

- Not a Programmer! Teaching WYSIWYG Coding with Python

Lecturer 2016-2018

Old Dominion University, Library Science Program, Norfolk, VA

- LIBS 110: Information Literacy for the Digital Age
- LIBS 605: Selection and Evaluation of Non-Book Media
- LIBS 612: Research Methods in Library and Information Science
- LIBS 677: Technical Services in Libraries

Lead Graduate Instructor 2013-2016

Florida State University, School of Information, Tallahassee, FL

- LIS 3103: Information & Society
- LIS 3353: Information Technologies/Technologies for Information Services
- LIS 5203: Assessing Information Needs

Teaching Assistant 2010-2015

Florida State University, School of Information, Tallahassee, FL

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow

Jan 2016-Feb 2020

American Association of School Librarians (AASL), Chicago, IL

Part of the CLASS II: Causality: School Libraries and Student Success II research team which exploring causal analyses underlying the differences school librarians can make for students from diverse backgrounds, poverty, and special needs.

Library Professional (Librarian)

Aug 2013-Jul 2014

Sarasota County Libraries & Historical Resources, Venice, FL

Provided reference services to the patrons of the library. In addition to teaching various classes, I also took on Teen services duties for seven months while a replacement was sought.

Teen Librarian

Jan 2009-Jul 2010

Mandel Library of West Palm Beach, West Palm Beach, FL

As an advocate for teens and teen services I initiated, planned and conducted a variety of programs, outreach events, and activities to encourage the use of the library by teens ages 12 to 18. I was also in charge of the collection development for the teen department and readers' advisory. While there I participated in service opportunities at local schools and at library information desk(s).

Library IT Intern

Jun 2008-Dec 2008

FSU London Study Centre, London, England

Assisted the IT administrator in maintaining the IT equipment at Study Centre as well as participating in service opportunities at library circulation desk.

Data Wrangler (Graduate Assistant)

Aug 2007-Jun 2008

Strozier Library, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL

Facilitated in the data wrangling of digital assets to prepare digital content for preservation via MetaArchive. Assisted with the design and implementation of usability testing of the library website. Creating advertisements for the Digital Library Center. My duties also included reference work in the Digital Media Center and Public Services desks.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 2019 Kimmel, S. C., Mardis, M. A., Pribesh, S., Pasquini, L. A., Schultz-Jones, B., Jones, F. R., Wise, L. D., & Colson, L. M. (2019). The preparation and certification of school librarians: Using causal educational research about teacher characteristics to probe facets of effectiveness. *School Library Research*, 22.
- 2018 Colson, L., & Luetkemeyer, J. (Eds.) (2018). *Teen summer learning programs: From start to finish*. YALSA.

- 2018 Mardis, M. A., Jones, F. R., Colson, L. M., Pribesh, S., Kimmel, S., Schultz-Jones, B., Pasquini, L., & Gogia, L. (2018). Probing causal relationships between what school librarians do and what learners gain in school libraries. In Lee, V., & Phillips, A.L. (Eds.), *Reconceptualizing libraries: Perspectives from the information and learning sciences*. Routledge.
- 2018 Mardis, M., Kimmel, S., Jones, F., Colson, L., Pribesh, S., Schultz-Jones, B., & Pasquini, L. (2018, April). CLASS Matters: Supporting the national school library standards by furthering AASL's research agenda. *School Library Connection*.
- 2018 Gilmore, T., & Colson, L. (2018). Academic libraries: Expanding LIS to serve hidden communities within the academy. *Proceedings of the Association for Library & Information Science Education Annual Conference*, 2-5.
<http://hdl.handle.net/2142/99018>

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 Colson, L., Kimmel, S., Mardis, M., Schultz-Jones, B., & Wine, L. (2019). Presentation- Promising practices: Using and collecting evidence to demonstrate impact. AASL National Conference, Louisville, KY. November 2019.
- 2019 Colson, L., Kimmel, S., Mardis, M., Schultz-Jones, B., & Wine, L. (2019). Presentation- Conjectures, research practitioner partnerships, and design-based research: What's on the horizon for school library researchers?. AASL National Conference, Louisville, KY. November 2019.
- 2018 Gilmore, T. and Colson, L. (2018). Poster- Reaching hidden communities within the academy. ALISE Annual Conference, Denver, CO. February 6, 2018.
- 2018 Gilmore, T. and Colson, L. (2018). Juried Paper- Academic libraries: Expanding LIS to serve hidden communities within the academy. ALISE Annual Conference, Denver, CO. February 7, 2018.
- 2017 Colson, L. (2017). Poster- Self-efficacy and sense of belonging: A comparative analysis of factors that affect differences in participation in information technology education by gender. ALISE Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA. January 19, 2017.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Association for Information Science & Technology (ASIST), 2011-2017

American Library Association (ALA), 2007-present

- Committee on the Status of Women in Librarianship, 2013-2015

Association for Library & Information Science Education (ALISE), 2011-present

- Co-Convener, Doctoral Student SIG, 2011-2012
- Editorial Assistant, Journal of Education for Library and Information Science (JELIS), 2011-2013

SERVICE

2019-2020 Department of Library and Information Studies, Valdosta State University

- Accreditation
- Admissions and recruiting
- Assessment
- Curriculum
- Student groups
- Web page development and maintenance

2017-2018 Information Literacy Committee, Old Dominion University

TECH PROFICIENCIES

Course Management: Adobe Connect, Blackboard (Bb), Bb Collaborate, Canvas, D2L

Research & Productivity: MS Office, Prezi, SPSS, SurveyMonkey, Qualtrics

Design & Production: Adobe CS (Photoshop, Dreamweaver, Illustrator), Camtasia, Cascade

Other: Experience using HTML, PHP, Social Media (Twitter, Instagram, etc.)