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EDUCATION

Master of Library and Information Science

June 2013

University of California, Los Angeles

Activities: Student Governing Board, Chair
American Library Association, UCLA Student Chapter, Co-President

Honors: 2013 Chancellor's Marshall
2013 Showcase Portfolio – Data Curation in Social Science Research

Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy

May 2011

California State University, Long Beach

Honors Thesis: The Ethics of Belief: What are we epistemically justified in believing?

Honors: Distinguished Undergraduate Student Honor
Whittington Scholarship for excellence in the philosophy department
Outstanding Baccalaureate Graduate Award, Finalist

EMPLOYMENT

Associate Librarian | Digital Matters Interim Director

March 2022 – present

J. Willard Marriott Library, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

Position Description:

- Lead Digital Matters, an arts and humanities research center and partnership between the College of Humanities, College of Fine Arts, College of Architecture + Planning, Marriott Library, and School of Cultural and Social Transformation.
- Support and produce computationally enhanced arts and humanities research and teaching at the University of Utah.
- Oversee the Digital Matters Faculty and Graduate Student Fellowship and Undergraduate Internship Programs, Digital Matters Speaker and Workshop Series, reading groups, and consultations.
- Supervise the Digital Matters Program Assistant, Digital Matters Graduate Student Fellows, and Digital Matters Undergraduate Interns.
- Program Director for the U of U College of Education's Digital Literacy Workshops for secondary Utah teachers (2020 – 2022).

Associate Librarian | Digital Matters Librarian

March 2018 – March 2022

J. Willard Marriott Library, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

Position Description:

- Facilitate digital scholarship at the University of Utah and shape services, instruction, identity, and outreach for University of Utah Digital Matters.^[1]_[SEP]
- Coordinate digital studies activities through reference, consulting, education, and project development services to students, faculty, and researchers at the University of Utah.
- Collaborate with colleagues in Digital Matters and the Marriott Library to develop and promote innovative digital scholarship projects and services.
- Produce scholarship which contributes to the national conversation relevant to librarianship or library and information science.^[1]_[SEP]

Select Accomplishments:

- Collaborated with Digital Library Services on a pilot project for “Collections as Data,” turning digital library collections into datasets for digital humanities research resulting in a peer-reviewed publication in *Library and Information Technology*.
- Led an interdisciplinary group of faculty, librarians and graduate students to create a [digital scholarship space](#) dedicated to the *Woman’s Exponent*, a historical Utah women’s newspaper.
- Collaborated with colleagues on a topic-modeling project on the future of the library resulting in a peer-reviewed publication in *Digital Library Perspectives*.
- Created curriculum and delivered instruction on Data Management for the Arts and Humanities.
- Incorporated digital scholarship projects into World Languages, two sections of History (Public History and History of Hawaii), and two sections of English (Digital Humanities and Literature by the Numbers)
- Organized the Digital Matter Workshop Series and Digital Matters Reading Group.
- Supervised graduate student fellows for the Digital Matters Student Residency Fellowship.

Assistant Librarian | Research Data Management Librarian

April 2015 – Feb. 2018

J. Willard Marriott Library, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

Position Description:

- Develop and provide reference and consultation services for faculty and students on social science and humanities data-related issues.
- Develop instructional programming and documentation to support scholars’ work.

- Explore and pilot data management services with an outcome of developing an integrated set of library services supporting University of Utah researchers.
- Plan and conduct data-related professional development opportunities for subject liaisons.

Select Accomplishments:

- Led a campus-wide data practices and needs assessment in 2016. In conjunction with the University of Utah Campus Data Group and Melanie Hawkes, organized and administered a survey to campus faculty and focus groups to gauge the need for enhanced data services.
- Worked with the University of Utah Campus Data Group and the Marriott Library Application Development team to develop and test an institutional data repository, The Hive, for archiving and sharing research data.
- Developed digital scholarship services, programming, and community as the co-chair of the Digital Matters Lab Steering Committee and co-chair of the 2017 Utah Symposium on the Digital Humanities.
- Co-chaired the Educause Working Group for Data Sharing and co-authored the corresponding ECAR white paper, "Considerations for Research Data Sharing: Considerations for Research Data Sharing: Setting the Stage for Greater Openness."
- Provided regular data management training for the Research Administration Training Series and the Office of Undergraduate Research Workshop Series.

Assistant Director/ Outreach Librarian

August 2013 – March 2015

Mountain West Digital Library, Salt Lake City, UT

Position Description:

- Developed and coordinated the partnership program of the MWDL, including outreach, promotion, and training.
- Developed onboarding processes for new partners including policies, forms, and agreements.
- Designed and delivered in-person and virtual training in digital library tasks such as content selection, rights assignment, digitization, metadata, and curating online exhibits.
- Conducted outreach to existing and new memory institution partners using traditional and social media tools.
- Conducted digitization and outreach events with partners in the Mountain West region.
- Carried out multiple grants funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the Knight Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Institute of Museum and Library Services, and the Digital Public Library of America.

Select Accomplishments:

- Organized the MWDL Webinar Series, biweekly online training for digital collection managers on topics such as metadata, rights statements, OAI harvesting, and online exhibits.
- Planned the MWDL Hubs Meeting to bring together digital collection managers from four Mountain West states to discuss best practices and sustainability.
- Provided digital skills training for public librarians and developed open-source digitization curriculum and best practices through the Bill and Melinda Gates funded Public Library Partnerships Project (PLPP).
- Participated in the Pioneers in Your Attic mobile scanning events to digitize cultural heritage objects held by individuals and families in Utah.

Graduate Student Researcher, NSF Award #1216872 August 2012 – August 2013

UCLA Information Studies Department, Los Angeles, CA

- Conducted qualitative research including interviews and ethnographies.
- Coded and analyzed qualitative data in using nVivo software.
- Maintained bibliographic materials for team using Zotero software.
- Identified functional requirements for an eScience tool to aid research in small and medium sized laboratories.

Assistant II for Professor Christine Borgman May 2012 – June 2013

UCLA Information Studies Department, Los Angeles, CA

- Provided research assistance for Dr. Borgman's manuscript *Big Data, Little Data, No Data* (MIT Press, Published January 2015).
- Provided website maintenance and course materials development.
- Verified copyright permissions on materials posted on personal website, Bepress, and SSRN.
- Cataloged scholarly materials in Zotero and maintained associated files.

UCLA Social Science Data Archive July 2012 – March 2013

Intern to Elizabeth Stephenson, Director, Los Angeles, CA

- Developed a digital preservation strategy for the UCLA Civil Rights Project.
- Archived Civil Rights Project publications into eScholarship (online publication repository) and associated data into Dataverse (online data preservation tool).
- Led workshops on data management for social science research.
- Cataloged datasets using the DDI metadata standard.
- Trained graduate students in data management and data curation.

Library Clerk

November 2010 – June 2012

Huntington Beach Public Library, Huntington Beach, CA

- Assisted patron with checkout and cash payments
- Worked public service desks including circulation, children's, media, and reference.

RESEARCH

Monograph

Neatrou, A., Wittman, R. **Cummings, R.**, Monson, J., and Myntti, J. (2024). *Digital Literacy Outreach and Instruction*. Chicago, IL. American Library Association. Forthcoming Spring 2024

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Bascones, M. and **Cummings, R.** (2021). Discovery is the Researcher's Dream. *Insights*, 34 (1): 23. <https://insights.uksg.org/articles/10.1629/uksg.571/>

Cummings, R., Ozburn, L., Payant, A., Rozum, B., Shelton, M., and Bushman, R. (2020). Assessing Research Compliance for Federally Funded Projects: The Good, the Bad, and the Publicly Accessible. *Journal of Library Administration*, 60(7), 726-751. <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/01930826.2020.1786985?journalCode=wjla20>

Cummings, R., Roh, D., & Callaway, E. (2020). Organic and locally sourced: Growing a digital humanities lab with an eye towards sustainability. *Digital Humanities Quarterly*, "Lab and Slack" Special Issue. <http://www.digitalhumanities.org/dhq/vol/14/3/000470/000470.html>

Wittmann, R., Neatrou, A., **Cummings, R.**, & Myntti, J. (2019). From Digital Library to Open Datasets. *Information Technology and Libraries*, 38(4), 49-61. <https://doi.org/10.6017/ital.v38i4.11101>

Neatrou, A. L., Callaway, E., & **Cummings, R.** (2018). Kindles, card catalogs, and the future of libraries: A collaborative digital humanities project. *Digital Library Perspectives*, 34(3), 162–187. <https://doi.org/10.1108/DLP-02-2018-0004>

Borgman, C. L., Golshan, M. S., Sands, A. E., Wallis, J. C., **Cummings, R. L.**, Darch, P., & Randles, B. M. (2016). Data Management in the Long Tail: Science, Software, and Service. *International Journal of Digital Curation*, 11(1), 128–149. <https://doi.org/10.2218/ijdc.v11i1.428>

Darch, P. T., Borgman, C. L., Traweek, S., **Cummings, R. L.**, Wallis, J. C., & Sands, A. E. (2015). What lies beneath?: Knowledge infrastructures in the subseafloor biosphere and beyond. *International Journal on Digital Libraries*, 16(1), 61–77.
<http://doi.org/10.1007/s00799-015-0137-3>

Book Chapters

Cummings, R. (2020). Why Digital Matters: Building a Digital Humanities Center at the University of Utah. In T. Diamond (Ed.), *The Academic Librarian in the Digital Age: Essays on Changing Roles and Responsibilities*. McFarland & Co.
<https://mcfarlandbooks.com/product/the-academic-librarian-in-the-digital-age/>

Cummings, R., & Bromberg, P. (2020). Restoring EBSCO: The Power of Coalition and Rapid Response. In V. Nye (Ed.) *Intellectual Freedom Stories: From a Shifting Landscape (pp.125-132)*. Chicago, IL. American Library Association.
<https://www.libraryintellectualfreedom.com/>

Neatrou, A., **Cummings, R.**, & McIntyre, S. (2016). Regional aggregation and discovery: Mountain West Digital Library. In K.J. Varnum (Ed.), *Exploring Discovery: The Front Door to a Library's Licensed and Digitized Content* (pp. 219-232). Chicago, IL. American Library Association.

White Papers

Ackerman, D., Almes, G., Anne, K., Bezotte, W., **Cummings, R.**,...Zottola, R. (2017). Considerations for Research Data Sharing: Setting the Stage for Greater Openness. ECAR white paper. Louisville, CO. ECAR. Available at
<https://library.educause.edu/resources/2017/3/considerations-for-research-data-sharing-setting-the-stage-for-greater-openness>

Professional Awards and Fellowships

2023 ACLU Utah Torch of Freedom Award for the Let Utah Read Coalition and efforts in the 2023 legislative session to resist censorship ensure access to information.

2023 University of Utah Taft Nicholson Environmental Humanities Summer Fellowship in Centennial Valley, Montana.

2021 Utah Library Association Legislative Award for Excellence in Political Affairs and Library Advocacy.

2020 Top Researcher for *Celebrate U, A Showcase of Extraordinary Faculty Achievements* for “From Digital Library to Open Datasets: Embracing a Collections as Data Framework.”

2019 American Library Association Gerald Hodges Intellectual Freedom Chapter Relations Award recognizing the most significant intellectual freedom contribution made by a state or regional chapter of the American Library Association. The 2019 Hodges Award was presented to the Utah Library Association for efforts sustained during my year as ULA President.

Borgman, Christine L., Golshan, M. S., Sands, A. E., Wallis, J. C., **Cummings, R. L.**, & Randles, B. M. (2016). Data management in the long tail: Social and technical opportunities. Best Research Paper, Runner-up at the International Digital Curation Conference (IDCC), Amsterdam.

Cummings, R. (2014) Much Ado About Data: Intellectual Property Issues Surrounding Academic Research Data. 2014 ICPSR Data Curation Research Paper Competition, Runner-up. <http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/content/ICPSR/prize/winners.html>

Keynote Presentations and Invited Talks

Cummings, R. (2024, February). People are People: Leading Your Team from a “Good Inside” Perspective. Keynote presentation at the Spanish Fork City Supervisor Training (104 City Managers). Spanish Fork, UT. Invited Speaker.

Cummings, R. (2024, January). People are People: Leading your Library from a “Good Inside” Perspective. Invited webinar presentation for People Connect Institute and the Florida State Library. Invited Speaker (invited to repeat in January 2024 for the Utah Library Association Year of Learning speaker series)

Cummings, R. (2023, September). People are People: Leading your Library from a “Good Inside” Perspective. Keynote presentation at the Utah State Library Public Library Director’s Summit. Salt Lake City, UT. Invited Speaker.

Cummings, R. (2023, April). Fewer but Better: Selecting your Yes with Intention. Webinar presentation for People Connect Institute and Florida State Library. Invited Speaker. Archived talk available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zZU3Y43KuIY> (Repeated March 2023 and April 2023)

Cummings, R. (2022, September). Fewer but Better: Selecting your Yes with Intention. Keynote presentation at the Utah Library Association Fall Conference. Provo, UT. Invited Speaker.

Cummings, R., Perry, A. and Dipasquale, E. (2019, April). Innovation on Research and Scholarly Communication Panel at the LYRASIS Leader’s Forum. Phoenix, AZ. Invited Speaker.

Cummings, R. (2016, September). Determining Copyright for Cultural Heritage Materials. UALC Professional Development Day. Utah Valley University. Orem, UT. Invited Speaker.

Cummings, R. (2016, August). Level Up! Building data services at the Marriott Library. NISO Data Curation Virtual Conference. Invited Speaker.

http://www.niso.org/news/events/2016/virtual_conference/aug31_virtualconf/

Cummings, R. (2016, June). Building Research Data Services at the University of Utah. University of California, Irvine Library Lecture. Irvine, CA. Invited Speaker.

Cummings, R. (2015, September). Ownership, intellectual property, and governance considerations for academic research data. DataFOUR professional development webinar series. Invited speaker.

Cummings, R. (2015, March). Do the right thing: Copyright, fair use, and rights assignment for librarians. Invited speaker at ILEAD USA Utah. Utah State Library. Salt Lake City, UT. Invited Speaker

Presentations

Wittman, R, **Cummings, R.** and Neatrou, A. (2023, November). The Power of Outreach: From Digital Collections to Real-life Connections. Panel Presentation at the Digital Library Federation (DLF) Forum. St. Louis, Missouri.

Bromberg, P. and Cummings, R. (2023, August). UALC Legislative Update. Virtual presentation for Utah Academic Library Consortium Council Summer meeting in Cedar City, UT.

Neatrou, A and **Cummings, R.** (2023, July). What Do (2) Librarians Do All Day?: Digital Library Services and Digital Matters. Presentation at the Summer Science Night Series at the University of Utah Taft Nicholson Environmental Humanities Center. Centennial Valley, MT.

Cummings, R. (2023, June) Panel Facilitator for My Impact Challenge Summer Civics Showcase: Local Innovators in Civic Teaching & Learning. Utah Valley University. Orem, UT

Cummings, R. and Bromberg, P. (2023, May). Library Advocacy Strategies: 2023 and Beyond. Presentation at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference. Layton, UT.

Cummings, R. (2023, March). Utah Censorship and Higher Education. Virtual presentation for the Marriott Library Selectors Meeting. Marriott Library, University of Utah. Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2023, March). Digital Matters at the University of Utah. Virtual presentation at the Marriott Library All-Staff Meeting. Marriott Library, University of Utah. Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. and Sauthoff, D. (2023, January). Beyond “Fake News”: Updated Strategies in Digital Literacy, Misinformation, and Bias Instruction. Presentation for the American Library Association LibLearnX Conference. New Orleans, LA.

Wittmann, R., Neatrour, A., **Cummings, R.**, Monson, J., and Myntti, J. (2022, October). If You Build It, Will They Come? Panel Presentation at ALA CORE Forum. Salt Lake City, UT.

Hatch, G and **Cummings, R.** (2022, October). Protospace at the University of Utah. Pre-conference presentation at ALA CORE Forum. Salt Lake City, UT.

Bromberg, P. and **Cummings, R.** (2022, May). How can we effectively communicate with elected officials? Panel presentation at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference. Layton, UT.

Roh, D. and **Cummings, R.** (2022, February). Building Community Partnerships through Digital Literacy Instruction. Presentation at the Sixth Annual Utah Symposium on the Digital Humanities (DHU6). Provo, UT.

Bromberg, P. and **Cummings, R.** (2022, January). Utah Library Association Advocacy Training. Presentation for the Utah Library Association Membership.

Cummings, R. and Roh, D. (2021, October). DH Lab Talks: Digital Matters. Virtual presentation at the IEEE VIS 2021 Annual Conference.

Cummings, R., Rozum, B., Ozburn, L., Cummings, R., Payant, A., and Shelton, M. (2021, May). But were we successful? Using online asynchronous focus groups to evaluate library services. Virtual presentation at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference.

Coles, S., **Cummings, R.**, Easton-Flake, A., and Neatrour, A. (2021, March). Waking Up with the Woman’s Exponent. Panel Presentation for University of Utah Women’s Week Lecture Series and Events. <https://diversity.utah.edu/event/wake-up-with-womans-exponent/>

Cummings, R., Smart, E., and Neatrour, A. (2020, February). The Ballot in the Hands of Women: Turning 42 Years of Utah Women’s History into a Collaborative Digital Scholarship Project. Presentation at the Fifth Annual Utah Symposium on the Digital Humanities (DHU5). St. George, UT.

Cummings, R. (2019, November). Collections as Data. Presentation for the Mountain West Digital Library Webinar Series. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.
https://mediaspace.utah.edu/media/t/0_7bw8rd5o

England, M., Godfrey, I., and **Cummings, R.** (2019, May). Protospace, Repurposing Stack Areas at the University of Utah Marriott Library. Presentation at the Greater Western Library Alliance 2019 RSDD-CD Joint Meeting, Portland, Oregon.

Cummings, R., Wittmann, R., and Neatrou, A. (2019, February). Text Mining Mining Texts. Presentation at the Fourth Annual Utah Symposium on the Digital Humanities (DHU4). Ogden, UT.

Cummings, R. (2019, February). Making Time for Research. Presentation for the Marriott Library Faculty Research Workshop Series. Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. Colbert J., and Parker, A. (2019, February). First Generation Faculty Panel at the First Generation Conference. Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R., Callaway, E., and Neatrou, A. (2018, October). Future/Death of the Library: A Collaborative, Experimental, Introspective Dive into Digital Humanities. Presentation at the Digital Library Federation Forum. Las Vegas, NV.

Roh, D., **Cummings, R.**, and Callaway, E. (2018, October). Syllabrowser: A Practical and Critical Tool for Institutional Knowledge Transfer. Lightning Talk at the Digital Library Federation Forum. Las Vegas, NV.

Cummings, R. (2018, September). Future Death of the Library. Faculty Research Review Presentation at the Marriott Library Research Retreat. Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2018, May). In Libraries We Trust. President's Speech given to 475 librarians at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference. Provo, UT.
https://mediaspace.utah.edu/media/t/0_rzf7s8ek

Mower, A., Miles, E., Steidinger, S., **Cummings, R.**, Christensen, R., Sollis, L.... Anderson, R. (2018, May). Crafting a Fair Use Policy for Your Library. Pre-Conference workshop at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference, Provo, UT.

Cummings, R. and Sollis, Liz. (2018, May). Why Brands and Libraries Matter. Presentation at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference. Provo, UT.

Cummings, R., Neatrou, A., and Callaway, E. (2018, March). Future Death of the Library: A Collaborative Topic Modeling Project. Presentation at the Third Annual Utah Symposium on the Digital Humanities (DHU3). Utah State University. Logan, UT.

Cummings, R. and Hatch, G. (2017, May). Why Digital Matters: Cooperative Scholarship at the University of Utah. Presentation at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference, Sandy, UT.

Cummings, R. and Miles, E. (2017, May). Myth Destroyers: Copyright for Digital Collections. Presentation on the Copyright: Myth Destroyers. Panel Presentation at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference, Sandy, UT.

- Cummings, R.** (April 2017). What came first, digital scholarship or the digital scholarship center? Lightning talk at the Data Science and Visualization Institute. North Carolina State University. Raleigh, North Carolina.
- Cummings, R.** (2016, October). Game on! Managing Video Game Data at the University of Utah. Lightening talk at the Midwest Data Librarian Symposium. University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Cummings, R.** (2016, September). HILT: Building and sustaining a digital humanities center. Presentation to Digital Matters Lab Working Group. (Repeated October 2016 for Marriott Library Advisory Board). Marriott Library, University of Utah. Salt Lake City, UT.
- Cummings, R.,** Rozum, B., and Nesdill D. (2016, May). Growing data in Utah: A model for statewide collaboration. Lightning talk at the Research Data Access and Preservation Summit. Atlanta, GA.
- Cummings, R.** and Neatrour, A. (2016, February). Your digital humanities are in my library! No, your library is in my digital humanities! How libraries are enabling and engaging in digital humanities projects. Presentation at the Utah Symposium on the Digital Humanities (DHU1). Utah Valley University. Orem, UT.
- Cummings, R.** (2015, August). Introduction to digital file management. Presentation at the Marriott Library All-Staff Meeting. Marriott Library, University of Utah. Salt Lake City, UT.
- Cummings, R.** (2015, May). Who owns the data? Intellectual property considerations for academic research data. Presentation at the GWLA/ GPN Annual Meeting, Kansas City, MO.
- Cummings, R.,** Smart, E., Thoms, B., & Fagerheim, B. (2015, May). Research data management. Presentation at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference, St. George, UT.
- Cummings, R.,** Breiman J., & Fife, D. (2015, May). From frenemies to friends: embracing Wikipedia. Presentation at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference, St. George, UT.
- Cummings, R.** & Morrow, A. (2015, May). Summary Report of ACRL Webinar on Emerging Technologies in Libraries. Presentation at the Research and Learning Services Forum. Marriott Library, University of Utah. Salt Lake City, UT. (Repeated July 2015 at All-Staff Meeting)
- Cummings, R.** (2015, March). Next generation data services at the Marriott Library. Interview Presentation. University of Utah. Salt Lake City, UT.

- Cummings, R.,** Masood, K., & Olsen, M. (2014, May). Hub and spoke: leveraging the Mountain West Digital Library network. Presentation at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference, Sandy, UT.
- McIntyre, S., Neatrou, A., & **Cummings, R.** (2014, May). Providing the on-ramp to the Digital Public Library. Presentation at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference, Sandy, UT.
- Eldredge, S., McIntyre, C., & **Cummings, R.** (2014, May). Dusting off the history in your attic. Presentation at the Utah Library Association Annual Conference, Sandy, UT.
- Neatrou, A., Phillips, M., **Cummings, R.,** Roy, J., & Carlisle, T. (2014, April). Serving as a service hub for the Digital Public Library of America. Presentation at the Texas Conference on Digital Libraries, Austin, TX.
- Cummings, R.,** & McIntyre, S. (2014, March). Partnering with the Mountain West Digital Library. Presentation for the Mountain West Digital Library Webinar Series.
https://video.utah.edu/media/t/0_86ktw014
- McIntyre, S., & **Cummings, R.** (2014, January). Hosting Hubs Update: Services, Pricing, and Highlights. Presentation for the Mountain West Digital Library Webinar Series.
https://video.utah.edu/media/t/0_8p4eyp36
- Darch, P., & **Cummings, R.** (2013, December). Buried deep: How data about subseafloor life becomes dark and why. Presentation at the American Geophysical Union (AGU) Fall Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- Cummings, R.** (2013, November). The Mountain West Digital Library and the Digital Public Library of America as research resources. Presentation at the Research and Learning Services Forum, University of Utah, Marriott Library. Salt Lake City, UT.
- Cummings, R.** (2013, July). Expanding a regional digital library collaborative: Facilitating the on-ramp for more libraries, museums, and archives. Interview Presentation, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.
- Cummings, R.** (2013, May). Librarians as data stewards: a case study of the UCLA Civil Rights Project. Presentation at the UCLA Information Studies Department. Los Angeles, CA.
- Cummings, R.** (2013, March). Preservation strategy for the UCLA Civil Rights Project. Presentation at the UCLA Special Collections Quarterly Meeting. Los Angeles, CA.
- Cummings, R.,** Lee, H., Cheung, A., & Parker, T. (2011, December). Texas, textbooks, and tango makes three: Censorship in children's literature. Presentation at the at Information Paradigms, Practices, & Policies in the 21st Century. University of California, Los Angeles. Los Angeles, CA.

Conference Posters

Rozum, B., **Cummings, R.**, Ozburn, L., Payant, A., Bushman, R., and Shelton, M. (2020, March). Assessing Connections that Foster Compliance. Poster presentation at the Research Data Access and Preservation Summit. Santa Fe, NM.

Nesdill, D., **Cummings, R.**, and Maringanti, H. (2018, March). Stings from The Hive: Challenges of Launching the University of Utah Data Repository. Poster presented at the Research Data Access and Preservation Summit. Chicago, IL.

Zottola, Ralph J. and **Cummings, R.** (2017, November). Research Data Sharing: Setting the Stage for Greater Openness. Poster presented at the Educause Annual Conference. Philadelphia, PA.

Cummings, R. (2016, November). Assessing Data Practices at the University of Utah. Poster presented at the Research Reproducibility Conference. Faust Law Library, University of Utah. Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2014, April). Conceptualizing and implementing a webinar series: lessons learned from the Mountain West Digital Library Webinar Series. Poster presented at the Texas Conference on Digital Libraries, Austin, TX.

Cummings, R., & Darch, P. (2013, December). Between land and sea: divergent data stewardship practices in deep-sea biosphere research. Poster presented at the American Geophysical Union (AGU) Fall Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

TEACHING

Embedded Instruction

Gateway to Learning Educator Workshops for the Tanner Humanities Center. *Teaching Challenging Topics in the 21st Century Classroom*. Taught and facilitated weeklong workshops with Dr. Jeremy Rosen for Utah K-12 educators on addressing difficult topics in the classroom, including gender and sexuality, race and racism, identity development, book challenges, and difficult history such as slavery and the Holocaust. (June 2023 and June 2022)

Digital Literacy Workshops for K-12 Teachers. Three year project to develop, teach, and facilitate Digital Literacy workshops with the College of Education and College of Humanities for K-12 teachers in Granite School District. Our pilot efforts and curriculum resulted in a \$200,000 grant from Utah State Board of Education to Granite School District to create a Digital Literacy and Civics Endorsement. (February 2020 – February 2023)

LEAP 1150-001. Pre-Law LEAP: Role of Law in Society. Instructor Ann Engar. 2017-2022. Five library & information literacy sessions per spring semester.

LEAP 3701. Pre-Law LEAP: Pre-Law Professional Writing. Instructor: Ann Engar. 2017-2022. Two library & information literacy sessions per spring semester.

LEAP 1100-002. Pre-Law LEAP. Instructor Ann Engar. 2017-2022. Five library & information literacy sessions per fall semester.

LEAP 1100-001. Social and Ethical Engineering LEAP. Instructor: Seetha Veeraghanta. Fall 2021. Five library & information literacy sessions in Fall 2021.

LEAP 1100-001. Service LEAP. Instructor: Carolyn Ownby. 2017-2018. Five library & information literacy sessions per spring semester co-taught with Marie Paiva.

LEAP 1101-001. Service LEAP. Instructor: Carolyn Ownby. 2017. Five library & information literacy sessions in fall semester co-taught with Marie Paiva.

Invited Guest Lectures for MLIS Programs

Cummings, R. (2023, March). Data librarianship, digital humanities, and emerging technology. Presented for Dr. Irene Pasquetto's SI 699, Digital Curation Mastery Course. University of Michigan School of Information. (Repeated three times since 2021)

Cummings, R. (2023, February). Digital Humanities at the University of Utah. Presented for Dr. Jeremy Browne's Intro to Digital Humanities Course. Brigham Young University, Provo, UT.

Cummings, R. (2019, November). Addressing Intellectual Freedom Challenges at a State and Local Level. Presented for Dr. Emily Knox's LIS 546, Intellectual Freedom and Censorship. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

Cummings, R. (2017, March). Data management by research teams, libraries, and archives. Presented for Dr. Christine Borgman's INF STD 262B, Data Curation and Policy. University of California, Los Angeles. (Repeated once since March 2016)

Cummings, R. (2016, October). You're a data librarian. Now what? Presented for Dr. Peter Darch's LIS 590SI, Information Transfer and Collaboration in Science. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Select Guest Lectures. University of Utah

Cummings, R. (2023, October). Mis- and Dis-Information in an Age of AI. Presented for Dr. Elizabeth Callway and Dr. Rogelio Cardona-Rivera's Praxis Lab in Responsible AI. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2023, August). Digital Matters, Digital Humanities, and Inter-Disciplinarity. Presented for WRTG 3025 “Code Studies” class. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2023, August). Mis- and Disinformation. Presented and recorded for 14 sections of ENGL 2010 “Academic Writing and Research: Writing for Humans in the Age of AI”. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-yrbBITCygA&t=7s>

Cummings, R. (2023, January). Digital Humanities and Digital Matters at the University of Uta. Presented for Dr. Gregory Smoak’s HIST 4360/6360 “Public History” class. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. (Repeated three times since 2019)

Neatrou, A. Wittmann, R. Cummings, R., Slater, N. and Hebron, T. (2022, November). Data Crafting. Presented for the Fall 2022 Digital Matters Speaker and Workshop Series. Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2021, October). Using Zotero to Collect, Organize, and Share Citations. Presented and recorded for the Fall 2021 Digital Matters Speaker and Workshop Series. Salt Lake City, UT. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kgGQooySP8E&t=183s>

Cummings, R. (2021, May). Your Future Self Will Thank You: Managing Digital Files for Longterm Access and Use. Presented for the Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence Workshop Series. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. (Repeated twice since 2019) https://mediaspace.utah.edu/media/t/1_lphex7dq

Cummings, R. (2021, February). Finding Scholarly Political Science Research. Recorded for Dr. Gordon O’Connor Dunne’s POLS 5630/POLS 6630 “Global Governance/Foundations of International Organization” class. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=adc7sZ9MpU0&t=978s>

Cummings, R. (2021, February). Using Citations in Academic Papers. Recorded for Dr. Jennifer Seelig’s POLS 2700 “Introduction to Public Administration” class. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yIy04WtD7kU&t=551s>

Cummings, R. (2021, January). Identifying and Evaluating Misinformation. Recorded for Dr. Elizabeth Callaway’s ENGL 2085 “Digital Cultures” class. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N-X_XdyKcNE&t=6s

Cummings, R. (2020, January). Introduction to library resources. Presented for Dr. Stephen Downes’ PHIL 6350 “Topics in Philosophy of Science” class. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. (Repeated 3 times since January 2017)

Cummings, R. (2019, October). Getting Copyright Right (Or At Least Trying To). Presented for Dr. Elizabeth Swanstrom’s ENGL 7850 “Digital Humanities” class. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2019, October). Finding and Evaluating Data for Design Research. Presented for Justin Grover's DES 4830 "Digital Analytics" class. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2019, October). Using Zotero to Organize Your Research. Presented for Dr. Elizabeth Love's EHUM 6103 "Field Methods in Environmental Humanities" class. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2019, August). Evaluating "Truthiness" on the Web using Digital Literacy. Presented for the Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence Annual Teaching Symposium. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2019, September). Using Zotero to organize your research resources. Presented for the Marriott Library Graduate Student Workshop Series. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. (Repeated 5 times since September 2015)

Cummings, R. and Rutledge, L. (2019, June). Using Zotero and EndNote to Organize Your Research Resources. Presented for the Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR) Workshop and Seminar Series. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. (Repeated 3 times since September 2015)

Cummings, R. (2019, March). Data management for the social and behavioral sciences and humanities. Presented for the Research Administration Training Series (RATS). University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. (Repeated 10 times since September 2015)

Cummings, R. (2018, December) Data management for the arts and humanities. Presented for the Digital Matters Workshop Series. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2018, March). Data management for undergraduate research. Presented for the Office of Undergraduate Research (OUR) Workshop and Seminar Series. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. (Repeated 9 times September 2015)

Cummings, R. and Sorenson, J. (2017, June). Social Explorer Workshop. Presented for University of Utah Marriott Library . University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2017, February). How to research like a boss: Using databases to find publicly available datasets. Presented for Dr. Leona Yi-Fan Su's Communications Research (COMM 5710/6710) class. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. (Repeated 3 times since 2016)

Cummings, R. and Neddill, D. (2017, February). Creating a Data Management Plan that Funding Agencies Want to Read. Presented for the Research Administration Training Series. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2017, January). Introduction to library resources. Presented for two sections of Dr. Larry Coates “Biogeography” 3270 class. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. (Repeated once since February 2016)

Digital Matters Lab Lightning Talks (2016, November & December). Presented on “Data Curation” and “Zotero” as part of the Digital Matters Lab Lightning Talks. Talks available at <http://digital.humanities.utah.edu/dml/past-events.php>.

Cummings, R. (2016, October). Data management for graduate students. Presented for the Marriott Library Graduate Student Workshop Series. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. (Repeated 3 times since February 2016 for the Philosophy Department, College of Humanities, and Graduate Student Workshop Series)

Cummings, R. and Burbank, M. (2016, September). Data Services from ICPSR. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT. <https://stream.lib.utah.edu/index.php?c=details&id=12739>

Cummings, R. and Rutledge, L. (2015, September). Bibliographic management: Zotero and EndNote. Presented for the Marriott Library Graduate Student Workshop Series. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2015, August). Organized research through better data management. Presented for the Marriott Library Fall Workshop Series. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. and Paiva, M. (2015, July). Skills refresher: Databases, bibliographic management. Presented for the Marriott Library Writing Workshop Series. University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2015, February). Be original or cite your sources! Using Zotero to make references a snap. Marriott Library Workshop Series. Salt Lake City, UT.

Cummings, R. (2014, September). Using Adobe Connect for webinars and web conferencing. Staff training session at Marriott Library, University of Utah. Salt Lake City, UT.

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- Bromberg, P., Cummings, R., and Rekdal P. (2023, June 20). Utah Library Association and PEN Utah: We need commonsense solutions to book challenges. *The Salt Lake Tribune*. Retrieved from <https://www.sltrib.com/opinion/commentary/2023/06/21/utah-library-association-pen-utah/>
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- Herrick-Juarez, A. (2023, May 15). Selecting Your Yes with Intention with Rebekah Cummings. Guest on the Library Leadership Podcast. <https://libraryleadershippodcast.com/128-selecting-your-yes-with-intention-with-rebekah-cummings/>
- Jasmine, R. and Cummings, R. (2023, March 1) At the Digital Humanities Utah 7 Conference. Guest on the Being Human podcast with Randy Jasmine. https://www.podbean.com/media/share/pb-bfjxh-13a516e?utm_campaign=w_share_ep&utm_medium=dlink&utm_source=w_share
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SERVICE

Professional Service

Utah State Library Board, Chair. July 2022 – June 2024.

Utah Library Association, Advocacy Committee, Co-Chair. May 2020 – present.

National Endowment for the Humanities, Office of Digital Humanities, Grant Reviewer. January 2022 – March 2022.

Utah Digital Humanities Symposium Planning Committee, Member. October 2015 – present. (Served as Chair, 2016-2017)

Utah State Library, Board Member. July 2021 – June 2025.

Utah Library Association, Past-President. May 2019 – May 2020.

Library Day on the Hill, Co-Chair. June 2019 – June 2023.

Digital Library Federation (DLF) Digital Library Pedagogy Cookbook, Reviewer. October 2018.

Utah Library Association, President. May 2018 – May 2019.

Utah Library Association, President-Elect. May 2017 – May 2018.

Greater Western Library Alliance (GWLA), Data Management Task Force, Co-Chair. January 2017 – February 2018.

Utah Library Association, Copyright Education Committee, Member. June 2016 – March 2023.

National Science Foundation, Grant Reviewer. September 2016 – October 2016.

Utah Digital Humanities Symposium, Co-Chair. March 2016 – March 2017.

DataONE Education Modules, Curriculum Reviewer. March 2016 – April 2016.

Educause Research Data Sharing Working Group, Co-Chair. February 2016 – February 2017.

I LEAD (Innovative Librarians Explore, Apply and Discover) USA Mentor, Open Educational Resources Group. February 2015 – October 2015.

Utah Library Association, Public Relations Committee, Chair. December 2014 – May 2017.

Utah Academic Library Consortium, Public Affairs Committee, Member. July 2014 – March 2015.

Mountain West Digital Library Data Curation Interest Group, Member. February 2014 – March 2015.

University of Utah and J. Willard Marriott Library Service

Research Data Librarian Search Committee, Chair. January 2023 – June 2023.

Master's Thesis Committee for Tessa Scheuer in Environmental Humanities. *Project Eco SLC*. 2022 – 2023.

Marriott Library Faculty Review Committee. July 2021 – present.

Liaison to the Political Science Department. May 2020 – June 2023.

SEBS (Social and Behavioral Sciences, Education, Business, and Social Work) College and Inter-disciplinary Team. Chair. January 2021 – December 2021.
Library Services Committee, Co-Chair. May 2019 – May 2021.
Marriott Library Scholarship Committee, Reviewer. November 2019.
Bench 2 Bedside, Judge. March 2019 – April 2019.
Digital Matters Program Assistant, Search Committee, Member. November 2018 – January 2019.
Digital Matters Lab Steering Committee, Chair. January 2017 – February 2018.
Graduate and Undergraduate Services Librarian Search Committee, Member. September 2016 – February 2017.
Mountain West Digital Library Program Director Search Committee, Chair. April – October 2016.
Head of Digital Scholarship Services Search Committee, Member. February 2016 – May 2016
Digital Matters Lab Working Group, Member. August 2015 – January 2017.
Staff Intranet Task Force, Member. May 2015 – June 2016
Co-Liaison to the Philosophy Department. September 2015 – February 2022.
FAAPH (Fine Arts, Architecture, Planning, and Humanities) College and Inter-disciplinary Team, Member. April 2015 – present.
Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Designated Representative. April 2015 – present.
Co-Liaison to the Geography Department. April 2015 – August 2016.
SEBS (Social and Behavioral Sciences, Education, Business, and Social Work) College and Inter-disciplinary Team, Member. April 2015 – December 2021.
Associate Dean for Human Resources Search Committee, Member. May 2015 – April 2016.
Marriott Library Honors Thesis Awards, Reviewer. March 2015 – March 2019.
Professional Development Time Task Force, Member. November 2013 – February 2014.

Community Service

Girl Scout Troop Founder and Leader. Troop 1680. July 2023 – present.
Wasatch Presbyterian Church, Preschool Board Member. November 2020 – Nov. 2022.
Wasatch Presbyterian Church, Volunteer Instructor. September 2019 – present.
Eat Cake, Love Art, Silent Auction, Chair, Dilworth Elementary. Sept. 2015 – April 2016
Utah History Day, Salt Lake City and State Finals, Judge. March 2014 – April 2014.
Clover Elementary. Volunteer Reader. September 2012 – June 2013.
Books Beyond Bars, Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall, Volunteer. March 2012 – June 2012.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Association of College and Research Libraries (2013 – present)

Utah Library Association (2013 – present)

American Library Association (2011 – present)

California Library Association (2011 – 2013)