

Assistant Research and Instruction Librarian for Health Sciences

Where are you from?

As I was growing up, my family moved between a few locations in the Pacific Northwest of the US. So I have more of a regional background than a local one.

What topics or subject areas do you enjoy teaching the most?

Research methods and detecting misinformation, as well as anything to do with the history, of course.

What excites you most about teaching in higher education?

I enjoy being able to keep in contact with new research and be in a position to adapt to the latest developments in the information sphere. And I love the energy of being around students who are busy trying to figure out what to do with their lives.

What are your hobbies and other interests?

It won't surprise anyone to hear that I read a lot, mostly history, and try to go hiking whenever I can. I have dabbled in different kinds of art off and on throughout my life, and right at the moment I'm putting some serious effort into oil painting. Trying to get good enough at landscapes to create some pieces I would like to hang on my empty walls at home!

What is your main source of motivation or inspiration?

I think we all have stubborn questions or problems with the world we are trying to figure out, in some way or another.

Why did you choose UT?

It is the right place at the right time.

Share one fun or unusual fact about yourself:

I have a three-legged cat. He was born that way, apparently.