Mitchell J. Fontenot

Humanities and Social Sciences/Outreach Librarian

Associate Librarian

Research and Instruction Services

Louisiana State University and A&M College

**Academic Credentials**

1986, Master of Library and Information Science, University of Texas

1983, BA, English Literature, Louisiana State University

**Professional Experience**

LSU Libraries, Information Literacy Outreach Services Librarian, July 2006-present.

LSU Libraries, Reference Information Literacy Librarian, July 2004-2006.

College Hill Library, Front Range Community College, Westminster, CO, Reference Instruction Librarian, Oct. 2003-June 2004.

Norlin Library, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, Reference Instruction Librarian, Jan. 2002-Dec. 2002.

Semester at Sea, Assistant Librarian, Jan. 2001-April 2001.

University of Colorado School of Law Library, University of Colorado, Senior Instructor and Head of Public Services, Oct. 1994-Dec. 2001.

Schmid Law Library, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE, Associate Professor of the Law Library and Reference Librarian, Jan. 1987-Sept. 1994.

**Relevant Research Publications**

Fontenot, M. J. (2022). Biography of Mrs. Ida Grout Rust McPherson, Michigan Suffragette. *Online Biographical Database of the Woman Suffrage Movement in the United States* (N/A ed., vol. N/A, pp. N/A). Chicago, Illinois: Alexander Street Press. (<https://documents.alexanderstreet.com/VOTESforWOMEN> and <https://documents.alexanderstreet.com/d/1011147589>).

Fontenot, M. J. (2021). Biography of Mrs. Jessie N. Luther, Wisconsin Suffragette. *Online Biographical Database of the Woman Suffrage Movement in the United States* (N/A ed., vol. N/A, pp. N/A). Chicago, Illinois: Alexander Street Press. ([https://documents.alexanderstreet.com/VOTESforWOMEN](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdocuments.alexanderstreet.com%2FVOTESforWOMEN&data=04%7C01%7Cmfonten%40lsu.edu%7Cf5419ea478d64bd9ebbe08d9cfc013d9%7C2d4dad3f50ae47d983a09ae2b1f466f8%7C0%7C0%7C637769247052848475%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000&sdata=7%2BqobUbW5%2BhVY%2BrknSloD33qisA3hSI5r7CUEJbwp7g%3D&reserved=0) and <https://documents.alexanderstreet.com/d/1011002240>).

Fontenot, Mitch and Rebecca Kelley, lead author. “Serving Our Student Veterans in Louisiana.” *Louisiana Libraries* 82 (spring 2020): 4-12.

Fontenot, Mitch, Emily Frank and Andrea Hebert. “Going Where the Users Are: Three Variations on a Theme.” *Louisiana Libraries* 80 (Fall 2017): 6-9.

Braunstein, Stephanie G. and Fontenot, Mitchell J. “Along a Continuum: Moving in Theory and Practice through the Collaborative to the Transformative in Teaching College and University Students to Use Government Documents in Research.” *Collaborative Librarianship* 2(3) (2010): 147-153.

Fontenot, Mitch. “Diversity: A Task Force Survey of the Literature and Some Possible Trends for Academic Libraries.” *Louisiana Libraries* 73 (summer 2010): 8-11.

Fontenot, Mitchell J. “The Ambidextrous Librarian, or “You *Can* Teach a Middle Aged Dog Some New Tricks!” *Reference & User Services Quarterly* 48 (Fall 2008): 26-28.

Fontenot, Mitch. “A Typical Year in Outreach Services at LSU.” *Louisiana Libraries* 69 (2007): 3-5.

**Relevant Research Publications (continued)**

Fontenot, Mitchell J. “A Case for an Integrated Model of Community College and Public Use Libraries” *Public Libraries* 46 (July/August 2007): 46-49.

Fontenot, Mitch. "Conversations for Collaboration: Librarians and the High School to College Transition in Louisiana." With Anthony J. Fonseca, Debra Cox Rollins, and Kathryn B. Seidel in *Informed Transitions: Libraries Supporting the High School to College Transition*. Kenneth J. Burhanna, Editor. Santa Barbara, CA, Libraries Unlimited, 2013.

Fontenot, Mitch. “How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Google and Wikipedia: Two Classroom Exercises and Some Musings and Trends” Chapter 17, pp. 297-308 of *Teaching Generation M: A Handbook for Librarians and Educators*. New York, Neal Schuman, July 2009.

Fontenot, Mitch. “Colorado Practice Materials: A Selective Annotated Bibliography.” *State Practice Materials: Annotated Bibliographies* (Buffalo, NY: Hein, 2002) Colorado 1-44.

Fontenot, Mitch. “Colorado Practice Materials: A Selective Annotated Bibliography.” *Law Library Journal* 88 (1996): 427-455.

**Other Professional Information Related to Current Position**

Outreach Librarian for Main Library

Subject Librarian for Psychology, Sociology, Communication Studies, Communication Sciences and Disorders, Leadership and Human Resource Development

**Oral Presentations**

Fontenot, M. J., (June 2021) How Do We Increase Diversity (and What Kinds of Diversity) in an Already Robust LIRT Membership?, Other, American Library Association Annual Meeting, American Library Association Library and Instruction Round Table, Chicago, IL, United States.

Presented at the American Library Association (ALA) Annual Meeting in Washington, DC on June 21, 2019 on “Services to Veterans and Life Long Learners” as part of the Library and instruction Round Table (LIRT) preconference panel discussion on “TREMENDOUS! 3 Big Ideas for Marketing Library Services to Adults.”.

Coordinated and moderated a program on teaching emerging technologies and millennials for ALA Midwinter in Denver, CO on February 10, 2018 (25 attendees). *“App-etizing Instruction: Practical Tips For Teaching Emerging Technologies”* Emerging technologies pose new pedagogical challenges as libraries grapple with assessing their role and impact on learning and scholarship. Please join the LIRT TLT committee for a lively and practical exploration of the issues surrounding the integration of tools ranging from 3D printers to virtual reality software into our instructional repertoire. This session will feature a panel of librarians from various types and sizes of libraries followed by group activities and interaction, where we will examine topics such as developing lesson plans and assessment methods, collaborating with faculty and other partners, analyzing formats and modalities of delivery, and contending with varying levels of support and funding.

Presented via Skype with Andrea Hebert to the Expanding the Dialog: Colorado K12 and Higher Education Information Literacy Collaborations University at Colorado Boulder Libraries’ symposium on April 25, 2015 (<https://sites.google.com/a/colorado.edu/ildialog/>).

“Time to Get Under the Hood: Is Academic Librarianship Under Theorized or Over Theorized?” (panel discussion with Debra Rollins, Anthony Fonseca, and Michael Matthews) at the Louisiana Library Association Annual Conference on Thursday, March 22, 2012 in Shreveport, Louisiana.

**Membership in Professional Organizations**

American Library Association, 2004- .

Association of College and Research Libraries, 2004- .

Louisiana Library Association, 2004-2015.

American Association of Law Libraries, 1986-2001.

Colorado Association of Law Libraries, 1994-2001.

Mid-America Association of Law Libraries, 1987-1994.

**Committee Memberships**

American Library Association, 2004- .

Library Instruction Round Table (LIRT), 2004-present.

Teaching, Learning and Technology Committee, 2016-present.

Membership Committee, 2015-present.

Secretary and Recorder, Transitions to College Committee, 2008-2015.

Co-Chair, Teaching, Learning, and Technology Committee, 2006-2008.

Reference and User Services Association, 2004-.

Membership Committee, 2006-2008.

Louisiana Library Association, 2004-2015 .

ACRL-LA, Successful Transitions to Academic Research Committee, 2009-2012.