



ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Lana W. Jackman is the principal and founder of Mélange Information Services, Inc., a college and career success management consultant firm based in Cambridge, MA. 02138. She was also past president of the National Forum on Information Literacy (NFIL), a national organization that was dedicated to the dissemination of information literacy philosophy and practice at home and abroad.

Lana has served in a variety of administrative positions in higher education including associate dean of enrollment services, director of student financial aid, and senior academic program officer. She also served as adjunct faculty in the Freshmen Year Seminar program at the University of Massachusetts at Boston and taught interdisciplinary studies and social studies to pre-service and in-service teachers at Lesley University's School of Education. In her work as president of the National Forum on Information Literacy, Lana, along with the Board of Directors, promoted the NFIL mission to mainstream information literacy practice. The 26 year legacy of the National Forum is rich in accomplishments and achievements. Perhaps, one of its most notable is receiving the first official federal recognition of information literacy as a necessary 21st century skill set essential for enhancing the quality of American life - President Obama's 2009 Proclamation, October National Information Literacy Awareness Month.

Lana earned her PhD in Educational Studies from Lesley University, an EdM from Harvard Graduate School of Education, and a BA in Politics from University of Massachusetts at Boston. She is the co-author of *College Success Diet: The Insider's Guide to Educational and Career Success* (2016).

MORNING CONCURRENT SESSION SPEAKERS

Amy Barlow is Assistant Professor and Reference Librarian at Rhode Island College. Her research focuses on learning theory and digital humanities. She has presented at LOEX, ACRL/NEC, and NERCOMP, and is published in Weave: Journal of Library User Experience and Reference and User Services Quarterly. Amy's forthcoming book chapter, in *Experiential Learning in Academic and Research Libraries* with Chandos/Elsevier (2016), explores the potential for object-based learning during library instruction.

Briana McGuckin, M.L.S., is a Reference & Instruction Librarian at Central Connecticut State University. She teaches a one-credit information literacy course and one-shot library classes. She received her M.L.S. from the Palmer School of Library Sciences at Long Island University.

Anthony (Tony) Penny identifies as a printer & bookbinder by trade and librarian by profession. Growing up in the printing trade, to then be followed by years of hand bookbinding, he entered the librarian profession five years ago. Working currently at Clark University as a Research & Instruction Librarian, Tony's approach to information literacy continues to rely on skills developed in the trades. He lives in Worcester with his wife and three children.

AFTERNOON CONCURRENT SESSION SPEAKERS

Pam Graham, M.L.I.S. is the Head of Reference and Instruction at the US Coast Guard Academy, where she has been since May 2015. Before the Academy, Pam was Instruction Coordinator and Adjunct Professor at Becker College in Worcester MA, where she worked with Humanities faculty to develop an embedded instruction program for the English Composition courses. While at Becker, Pam was the Librarian Team Leader for ACRL's Assessment in Action grant, which focused on information literacy and first year students. She has 20 years experience teaching information literacy and is passionate about working with students and forming partnerships with faculty.

Joy Hansen, M.S., M.L.S. is the instruction team leader at Middlesex Community College (MxCC) in Middletown, CT. She works with various cohorts on campus including transitional year students and is active in committees centered on student development and community engagement. Prior to joining MxCC, Joy worked as a primary research scientist then corporate librarian at LIMRA, a financial services trade association, for 20+ years.

Jason B. Jones is Director of Educational Technology at Trinity College (Hartford, CT). Prior to that, he spent a decade as a Victorianist at Central Connecticut State University, where he reached the rank of full professor and, for the last four years, was president of the CCSU-AAUP. He is also co-editor of ProfHacker, the blog about teaching, technology, and productivity at the Chronicle of Higher Education. At all other times, he is driving his son to soccer.

Kimberly Young-McLear, Ph.D. is an Assistant Professor at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. She has more than 13 years of active duty experience, including an assignment at the Department of Homeland Security and currently teaches as a tenured faculty member in the Management Department. Her Ph.D. is in Systems Engineering and she is an innovative thinker who builds bridges between academic departments, other academic institutions, and the Coast Guard as an organization. Courses taught include Operations and Project Management, Coast Guard History, Public Management Consulting, and Introduction to Business.