Appointments

Valeda F. Dent, acting provost and vice-president for academic affairs and vice-president for student success and learning innovation at Hunter College of the City University of New York, has



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been appointed Emory University's inaugural vice-provost of libraries and museum. Expected to formally take the role in July 2022, Dent will unite Emory Libraries and the Michael C. Carlos Museum under a new leadership structure, working closely with the Office of the Provost and providing support in planning for the future of both areas, including advancing shared discovery and conservation of the university's collections while continuing to expand access, programming and community engagement. At Hunter College, Dent is cochair of the Presidential Task Force for the Advancement of Racial Equity. She has a robust and consistent record of scholarly achievement in the areas of chronic poverty and literacy, rural African libraries, and literacy culture development, and is a Fulbright Scholar. Prior to her appointments at Hunter College, Dent served as dean and university librarian

at St. John's University in Queens, New York, and dean and chief operating officer for the libraries at Long Island University.

Erin Passehl Stoddart has been appointed head of university archives and historical collections at Michigan State University.

Deaths

Kenya Siana Flash, librarian for Yale's Political Science, Global Information, and Government Information at Marx Science and Social Science Library, has died. She was a librarian at King's College and



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the University of Tennessee-Knoxville before joining Yale's Marx Library in 2017. Flash provided instructional and research support for the departments of Political Science and Global Affairs and for programs in Ethnicity, Race, and Migration and Ethics, Politics, and Economics. Her scholarship and subject expertise can be seen in more than 30 research guides she created or co-created with colleagues, ranging from broad disciplinary overviews to more specific topics such as political protest movements and individual course guides. Within the library, she served on many committees, including as co-chair of the Staff Diversity Committee. She was also active with ACRL's Diversity Alliance residency program, and she recently coedited the ACRL book *Ethnic Studies in Academic and Research Libraries*. Beginning in 2023, Yale University Library will host a three-year residency for an early

career librarian from a professionally underrepresented racial or ethnic group, in her honor.

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