

Larry P. Alford, university chief librarian at the University of Toronto, has been awarded the MacDonald Award by the Canadian Research Knowledge Network (CRKN) Board of Directors.

Innocent Awasom, science librarian at Texas Tech University, is participating in the Fulbright Scholars Award program. He will be spending the academic year attached to the Bindura University of Science Education in Bindura, Zimbabwe, as well as collaborating with the Zimbabwe Library Association (ZIMLA) and the Zimbabwe Young Academy of Sciences.

Tyler Walters, university libraries dean at Virginia Tech, was recently appointed governing board chair of Academic Preservation Trust (APTrust), a consortium of colleges and universities across the country committed to providing a preservation repository for digital content and developing related services.

Appointments

María R. Estorino has been appointed vice provost for University Libraries and university librarian at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. She joined the University Libraries in 2017 as associate university librarian for special collections and director of the Louis Round Wilson Special Collections Library. In that role, she was a member of the University Libraries' leadership team, with a focus on expanding and advancing the work of the university's outstanding special collections. Estorino is a strong advocate for accessibility in libraries and has worked to build expansive and inclusive collaborations with North Carolina communities. She has helped special collections units refine their vision for rare and archival collections to broaden representation of the many cultures and communities that make up the state.



María R. Estorino
(Photo by Jon Gardiner/
UNC-Chapel Hill.)

Sarah Shreeves has been named the new dean of libraries at the University of Utah, beginning in June 2023. Shreeves is currently the vice dean of libraries at the University of Arizona, where she serves as chief operating officer, providing leadership and support to the departments of Access and Information Services, Special Collections, Technology Strategy and Services, and Research Engagement. Before joining the University of Arizona, Shreeves served as associate dean for digital strategies and faculty affairs at University of Miami Libraries, co-coordinator of the Scholarly Commons and associate professor of library administration at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Libraries, and project manager for integrated library system migration at Massachusetts Institute of Technology Libraries.



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Jack Ahern is now director of annual giving at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

Regina Gong has joined the University of San Diego Copley Library as associate dean for student success and diversity.

Hannah Sommers is now associate librarian for researcher and collections services in the Library Collections and Services Group at the Library of Congress.