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# Library News

NEWS FROM UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES AT SOUTHERN MISS

## **University Libraries Welcomes New Team Members**



Clancy Smith
Records Mangement Specialist
Special Collections
January 2022



Chiquia Dolison Acquisitions Specialist Technical Services January 2022



**Bryan Salamanca**Library Desktop Technician
Library Technology
November 2021



Nolan Sanford
Digitization Specialist
Library Technology
October 2021



# Lisa Jones Receives University Libraries Staff Excellence Award

Lisa Jones, head of Library Technology, was presented the University Libraries Staff Excellence Award on December 9. Jones has served University Libraries for over 24 years.

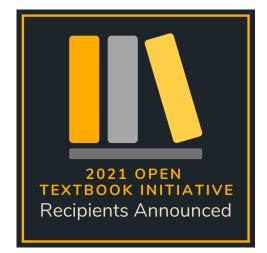
The University Libraries Staff Excellence award recognizes the hard work, dedication and excellence of a University Libraries staff member.



## **Aquila Celebrates 10th Year**

In January 2012, Aquila launched as the institutional repository for The University of Southern Mississippi. Initially, Aquila held only a small number of faculty publications, a collection of honors theses, and a single journal. In January of 2022, Aquila celebrated its 10th anniversary with over 18,000 documents, downloaded over 4.25 million times. The first ten years have been a whirlwind of exponential growth, and we are excited to see what the next ten years have in store.





University Libraries, in partnership with the Office of the Provost, is announcing the recipients of the 2021 Open Textbook Initiative.

Dr. Christopher Hayes, School of Ocean Science and Engineering: MAR 418 & MAR 419
Dr. Chris Sirola, School of Mathematics and Natural Sciences: PHY 111/112/201/202
Dr. Nancy Speed, School of Kinesiology and Nutrition: KIN 463

The Open Textbook Initiative is a program to support faculty in replacing traditional commercial textbooks with academically equivalent alternatives that are available at no cost to

students. The completed open textbooks will be implemented in the classroom beginning

in the Fall 2022 semester.

Recipients were chosen after completing applications for the program during the Fall 2021 semester. To read more about the Open Textbook Initiative, click <u>here</u>.







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