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Student Associations News
LISSA Update, Fall 2016

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Charlotte Mona Roi
LISSA Book Drive for Baton Rouge Libraries

The University of Southern Mississippi Library and Information Science Student Association (LISSA) has participated in several philanthropic endeavors during the fall 2016 semester. Namely, a book drive where 20 boxes of books were collected as part of flood relief efforts in the Baton Rouge community. Cupcakes were made to help benefit the local chapter of the Children’s Miracle Network during Cupcake Wars, an event organized by the Southern Miss Student Activities Council. Additionally, members participated in the Fall Carnival by providing free face painting.

Ongoing fundraising efforts are t-shirt sales. If interested in purchasing one, the cost is $8 plus shipping. Proceeds go toward an interdepartmental scholarship fund for a selected student to attend the ALA meeting in Chicago this coming year.

LISSA broadcasts its meetings via Blackboard and meeting dates are announced via the SLIS listserv. You are invited to join our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/southernmisslissa

- Charlotte Mona Roi, LISSA President

Dr. Yu, Charlotte Roi, Keshia Coulter

Southern Miss Student Archivists (SMSA) Welcomes 2016-17

The Southern Miss Student Archivists (SMSA) is off to a productive and engaging year. The year began in August with new officers, including our President, Stephanie (Stevie) Evans, an MLIS and archives certificate student and a SLIS Grad Assistant. Carlie Anne Burkett, last year’s SMSA President, returns this year as Secretary and Webmaster. The new Vice President, Jonathan Puckett, is a freshman undergraduate with a strong interest (and even a professional background) in archives and history.

SMSA promotes archival education by providing members with opportunities to discuss archival issues and engage in professional archival activities.
SMSA has several projects planned for the year, among them a tour of the McCain Library and Archives’ Digitization Lab, sponsoring another Digi Day (where students are offered the opportunity to work in McCain’s Digi Lab), and proposing a student panel presentation for the forthcoming Society of Mississippi Archivists (SMA) conference.

This past spring, SMSA, in partnership LISSA, organized a hospitality table on the second floor of the Thad Cochran Center during the 49th annual Fay B. Kaigler Children’s Book Festival. The hospitality table gave students, student officers, and Festival attendees a chance to meet over the course of the Festival. SMSA and LISSA will once more organize a hospitality table at the 50th annual Children’s Book festival, scheduled April 5-7.

SMSA held its inaugural meeting on Wednesday, September 28th. It was broadcast live over Blackboard Collaborate and several members attended online. The next meeting is scheduled early in the new year, so watch for announcements via the lisnews listserv.

SMSA membership is free and open to all students, alumni, faculty, and staff of the university who have an interest in archives and special collections. Our membership roster for 2016-17 is available here: https://goo.gl/forms/iKtUH666WsnQg3Vu2. Being a registered member will not only enhance your resume or CV, you will also have access to information about additional learning and development opportunities. Local and non-local members are invited to attend association meetings via Blackboard and will have access to useful information about the groups’ activities and community projects. And of course, everyone is welcome to “like” our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/Southern-Miss-Student-Archivists-SMSA-203760579638985/.

If you have questions about our projects or SMSA in general, please contact us. We welcome new members as well as ideas for projects or activities.

Kind regards,

Stephanie Evans, SMSA President 2016-17
Dr. Matthew Griffis, Faculty Advisor

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**Council on Community Literacy and Reading**

**Dr. Catharine Bomhold, Director**

**Fall Activities**

**Book Walk, Activity Booth with book giveaways**
La Grito Latin Festival, September 24


**CCLR Float with book giveaways**
USM Homecoming Parade, October 29

$2 will buy a book for a child; $80 will sponsor a book walk with 2 deconstructed books. If you would like to help, send a check made out to USM SLIS to:

CCLR/ Dr. Catharine Bomhold
118 College Drive, #5146
The University of Southern Miss
Hattiesburg, MS 39406
Mississippi LAMP Workshops
(Library and Media Professionals)

LAMP Workshop, Tupelo, Sept. 26

LAMP Workshop, Batesville, Sept. 27

LAMP Workshop, Pearl, Sept. 28

LAMP Workshop, Hattiesburg, Sept. 29

SLIS LAMP Giveaways
Mississippi Library Association
2016 Conference, Vicksburg

Karen Rowell presenting Ke’Aura Lawson with autographed 2012 Children’s Book Festival poster she won in drawing

Children’s Book Festival Reception, MLA16, Oct. 19

Ta-Dah!

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The Southern Miss British Studies Program is now accepting applications for June 2017.

LIS 580. British Studies in Librarianship. 3 hours. Comparative or historical studies of library and information institutions, collections, models of service, or professional practice in the United Kingdom.

LIS 587. British Studies Research. 3 hours. Provides the opportunity for an in-depth research paper using the resources of metropolitan London and/or the United Kingdom.

Course Information
Have you ever dreamed of being in the 'sceptred isle' of Chaucer, Shakespeare, Kipling, Lewis Carroll, C.S. Lewis, Jane Austen, and J.K. Rowling - of strolling along the Thames or through the verdant British countryside?

Spend a month in the United Kingdom earning credit while learning about historic and modern British libraries, archives, and special collections on-site from distinguished British librarians, archivists, and information specialists.

Students have the opportunity to accompany faculty to sites such as Oxford and Bletchley Park - and time to explore sites of interest on their own. Students and faculty will stay at the University of Westminster Marylebone Hall in London, which is across the street from Madame Tussaud's and a five-minute walk from Regent's Park.

In addition to participating in scheduled lectures and tours, students are required to submit book reviews and a reflective journal for LIS 580 and research paper on an approved topic for LIS 587.

Financial Aid
Students who are accepted for participation in the British Studies Program may apply for financial aid if they meet federal requirements for a Guaranteed Student Loan.

Southern Miss students requiring financial aid should contact the British Studies Program Office before requesting a summer study-abroad financial aid application from the university's Financial Aid Office. Summer Pell Grants, faculty/staff dependent scholarships, faculty/staff tuition waivers, and graduate assistantships are also accepted. Students are advised to begin the financial aid process well in advance of the deadlines.

Non-Southern Miss students should apply for financial aid through the school in which they are currently enrolled and seeking a degree. Financial aid agreements between Southern Miss and other schools are available, if requested. If more information is needed, contact the Southern Miss Office of Study Abroad at (601) 266-4344.

Information about the class including syllabus with tentative schedule is available at the British Studies link at: www.usm.edu/slis

Contact Dr. Teresa Welsh
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Note: This program includes extensive walking and taking stairs.