

Leah Howd | Complete Curriculum Vitae

- I. [Academic Background](#)
- II. [Scope of Expertise](#)
- III. [Professional Skills](#)
- IV. [Professional Development Instruction & Presentations](#)
- V. [Continuing Education](#)
- VI. [Service](#)
- VII. [Relevant Employment History](#)
- VIII. [International Work Experience](#)

I. Academic Background

- University of North Texas, Master of Library Science, 2017
- College of DuPage, Library Technical Assistant Certificate, 2015
- Illinois State University, Bachelor of Philosophy, 2006

II. Scope of Expertise

Physical Spaces - Design experiential learning spaces for video and audio production, virtual reality, makerspace technologies, and data visualization in conjunction with fellow team members.

Virtual Spaces - Redesign information architecture and web content using user-centered design and research methods with fellow team members.

Instruction - Create and deliver formal and informal instructional content focused on the use of multimedia editing software, multimedia recording spaces, and virtual reality.

III. Professional Skills

- Emerging Technology
- Digital Literacy
- Instructional Design & Assessment
- Pedagogical Theory & Practice
- Audio & Video Production Techniques for Beginners
- 3D Printing, Virtual Reality, Makerspace Technology Evaluation
- Social Media and Website Development Platforms

IV. Professional Development Instruction & Presentations

- July 2019 - Makerspaces for Innovation and Research in Academics: Demystifying 360° Video

- June 2019 - Immersive Pedagogy: Responding to the African American Experience in Las Vegas through Virtual Art; collaboration with Aundrea Frahm, instructor in the College of Fine Arts
- May 2019 - Library Information Technology Association: Multimedia Instruction: Connecting through Course Integration
- June 2018 - American Library Association Annual Conference: Applying Creative Commons to the Design Lab: How is a community of sharing created and maintained?

V. Continuing Education

- August 2020 - Library Juice Academy: Tipping the Scales: Technology and Social Justice
- July 2020 - Reference and User Services Association: Allyship, Anti-Oppression, and Building Inclusive Libraries
- June 2020 - Infopeople: Teaching Patrons to Use Technology
- April 2019 - IDEO U Design Thinking Certificate: Insights for Innovation
- December 2018 - IDEO U Design Thinking Certificate: From Ideas to Action
- September 2018 - Library Information Technology Association: Contextual Inquiry: Using Ethnography to Impact your Library
- July 2018 - Association of College and Research Libraries: Immersion: Information Literacy, Teaching and Learning, and Influence and Leadership Program
- June 2018 - Makerspaces for Innovation and Research in Academics
- June 2018 - American Library Association: Annual Conference
- April 2018 - The Humanities and Technology Camp

VI. Service

- 2020-2021 - Blended Learning Working Group: Co-facilitator
- February 2020 - Equity and Inclusion Committee: Environmental Scan of UNLV Libraries' Hiring Practices
- January 2020 - International Relations Round Table Chair's Program: Proposal Reviewer
- 2019-2020 - Administrative Faculty Committee: Elected representative of Academic Success Center, College of Fine Arts, Honors College, and Libraries
- 2019-2020 - Creative Research Assignments Task Force
- 2019-2020 - Pop-up Instruction Task Force
- 2019-2020 - Web Migration Task Force
- November 2019 - Makerspaces for Innovation and Research in Academics: Proposal Reviewer
- January 2019 - International Relations Round Table Chair's Program: Proposal Reviewer
- October 2018 - Open Access and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Panel: Moderator

VII. Relevant Employment History

Technical instructor - Willem de Kooning Academy, Rotterdam, Netherlands - July 2021 to Present; Working within the Stations - centers of skill development and experimentation within the academy - to support instructors in the creation of accessible and flexible education with various hybrid learning methods. Developing a podcasting studio and a streaming studio for both instructor and student produced content within the Image & Sound Station.

Multimedia & Design Specialist - University of Nevada, Las Vegas, NV - January 2018 to January 2021; Create and deliver instructional content focused on the use of multimedia & making technologies including prototyping, multimedia recording, and virtual reality. Investigate emerging technology for potential adoption and develop the skills and teaching abilities of student technology mentors. Collaborate with disciplinary faculty to design pedagogically sound course assignments.

Public Technology Assistant - St. Louis Public Library, St. Louis, MO - September 2016 to December 2017; Assist community users with the use of library equipment and programs installed on library computers. Inform and instruct users on using downloadables, databases, and digital collections. Assist with technical support for personal devices.

Circulation Clerk - Allen Public Library, Allen, TX – October 2015 to August 2016; Register and maintain user accounts with Polaris. Handle fines, lost items and all monetary transactions. Follow check-in procedures, handle damaged or missing items.

Practicum Library Volunteer - El Centro Community College, Dallas, TX January 2015 to March 2015; Created displays and LibGuides under the guidance of staff librarians as part of a required practicum to obtain Library Technical Assistant certification.

Library Technician - Carrollton Public Library, Carrollton, TX – August 2014 to July 2015; Maintain collection and budget statistics using Excel and Innovative Millennium to achieve more efficient reporting for selectors. Provide community users with accurate information and technical assistance.

Library Assistant - Lewisville Public Library, Lewisville, TX – October 2013 to July 2014; Use Symphony to create new member registrations, handle fines, lost items and all monetary transactions. Follow check-in procedures, handle damaged or missing items.

Circulation Clerk - Indian Trails Public Library, Wheeling, IL - April 2011 to September 2012; Maintain user accounts and confidentiality with Horizon. Promote library programs and services to community users.

VIII. International Work Experience

- Current employment:

Willem de Kooning Academy, Rotterdam, Netherlands - 2021 to present; Technical instructor in support of online education.

- Three weeks of research and consultation:

International School of Hamburg, Germany - 2017; Research and development a school-wide curriculum based on age group, research and develop a plan for year-long library education for kindergarten students; collaboration with Carrie Toombs and Shawna Kay Wilson, supervised by Debbie Jennings.

- Three years as an EFL Instructor:

Head Instructor Sogang Language Program, Seoul, South Korea - 2008 to 2009; Instruct middle school students in English, instruct kindergarten students in all areas of general education, act as a liaison between school management and contracted instructors.

Instructor I-Sponge English Institute, Seoul, South Korea - 2006 to 2008; Instruct middle school students in English, instruct kindergarten students in all areas of general education.