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## Education

**University of Rhode Island** — Master of Library and Information Studies 2017

**Bridgewater State University** — Bachelor of Arts, Sociology- Global Studies 2012

Minor- African Studies

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## Relevant Work Experience

**Research & Instruction Librarian, Faculty** 2023-present

University of Pittsburgh Health Science Library System, Pittsburgh, PA

**Science & Math Librarian, Assistant Professor** 2017-2022

James Madison University Libraries, Harrisonburg, VA

**Instruction & Information Literacy Internship** 2016

Fitchburg State University, Fitchburg, MA

**Instructional Assistant Librarian** 2014-2017

Nashoba Regional High School, Bolton, MA

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## Scholarly Achievement

### Publications

Giles, K., & **Young, A.** (2024). Diversifying STEM Collections: Where We Are Now And Future Considerations. *Issues in Science and Technology Librarianship*, (105). <https://doi.org/10.29173/istl2811>

Young, A. (2022). From The Classroom To The Breakout Room: The Many Embedded Ways A Librarian Can Teach Information Literacy. In P. Sullivan, B. Sullivan, & J. Lantz (Eds.), *Cases on Innovative and Successful Uses of Digital Resources for Online Learning* (pp. 302-315). IGI Global. <https://doi.org/10.4018/978-1-7998-9004-1.ch014>

Berndsen C. & **Young, A.** (2022). For Crisper Class Projects, Collaborating With A Librarian Can Be Your gDNA, *ASBMB Today*. <https://bit.ly/3zDxHPX>

Young, A. (2021). A Librarian And Biochemist's Experience Building A Collaborative Partnership In The Classroom And Beyond, *Issues in Science and Technology Librarianship*. (98). <https://dx.doi.org/10.29173/istl2596>

Gardner, S.J., Ostermiller, H.E., Price, E.L., Vess, D.S., **Young, A.** (2021). Recommendations Without Results: What We Learned About Our Organization Through Subject Guide Usability Studies. *Virginia Libraries*, 65(1). <http://doi.org/10.21061/valib.v65i1.624>

- Young, A. (2021). Building Relationships And Extending Outreach: Using Discord To Connect With Faculty On Teaching, Scholarship, And More. *Journal of Library & Information Services in Distance Learning*.
- Valcourt, A. (2020). ACRL/STS Section Continuing Education Survey 2018: STS Professional Development Committee. *Issues in Science and Technology Librarianship*, (95).  
<https://doi.org/10.29173/istl60>
- Valcourt, A. (2018, April 23). You Can Take The Librarian Out Of The Library. [Blog post]. Retrieved from  
<https://bit.ly/3bgF3zq>
- Valcourt, A. (2018, October 10). Science Boot Camp For Librarians. [Blog post].
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## Presentations

- Cardinal, S., Mudrak, B., **Young, A.** (2022, June 22). *ChemRxiv, Preprints and the Library*. Virtual Presentation for The American Chemical Society Division of Chemical Information. (Invited)
- Berndsen C. & **Young, A.** (2022). *Let's Get Together, Ya-Ya-Ya: Collaborate to Enhance Student Learning*. Presentation for JMU Center for Faculty Innovation May Symposium. <https://bit.ly/3S4buSi>
- Giles, K., & **Young, A.** (2022, May 13). *What About STEM? Supporting Diverse Collections*. Virtual Presentation for the VIVA Collections Forum. <https://bit.ly/3JelB2S>
- Scott, L. & **Young, A.** (2022, May 7). *Joining Forces: When Libraries and Career Centers Collide*. Presentation for the LOEX Conference, Ypsilanti, MI. <https://bit.ly/3JeQq7w>
- Scott, L. & **Young, A.** (2022, April 20). *Supporting Students Together: How Career Centers can Collaborate with Campus Libraries*. Presentation for the Virginia Association of Colleges and Employers Conference, Harrisonburg, VA. <https://bit.ly/3bcVMUz>
- Bogucka, R., Bowen, A., Burton, J., Coalter, J., Dallas, L., Fong, B., Helregel, N., Hoover, J., Lantz, C., McClean, J., McCormick, A., Porter, G., Rempel, H., Whatley, K., **Young, A.** (2022, Feb. 3). *Inside STS: Doing Important Work*. Virtual Presentation for the ACRL STS. <https://bit.ly/3SdrRMA>
- Schubert, C., Willey, M., & **Young, A.** (2021, Oct. 29). *Communications that Connect: Strategies for Crafting Messages and Getting Feedback*. Presentation for the Virginia Libraries Association Annual Conference, Richmond, VA. <https://bit.ly/3bjLdz2>
- Young, A. (2021, July 21). *STEM Library Instruction Roundtable*. Virtual Presentation for the STEM Librarians Collaborative.
- Young, A. (2021, June 16). *Building Relationships and Extending Outreach: Using Discord to Connect with Faculty on Teaching, Scholarship, and More*. Virtual Presentation for the ACRL Distance and Online Learning Awards Ceremony. <https://bit.ly/3SbA7fV>
- Bogucka, R., Borchardt, R., Bowen, A., Dallas, L., Fong, B., Hamelers, R., Kispert, M., Lantz, C., Martinez, J., Putnam, S., Rempel, H., Thomas, E., **Young, A.** (2021, Jan 21). *About STS: An Introduction to ACRL's Science and Technology Section*. Virtual Presentation for the ACRL STS.  
<https://youtu.be/AneVi0UfhSI>

- Schubert, C., **Valcourt, A.**, Chenevey, L. (2020, Mar. 4). *Exploring the Use of Succession Planning to Improve Recruitment and On-boarding*. Virtual Presentation for LLAMA, American Library Association. <https://bit.ly/3Bo5wpD>
- Giles, K. & **Valcourt, A.** (2019). *Create Interactive presentations with Mentimeter*. Presentation for 16th Annual Teaching and Learning with Technology Conference, Harrisonburg, VA. <https://bit.ly/3oDkZub>
- Valcourt, A.** (2019). *Information literacy for chemistry in the real world*. Presentation for the American Association for the Advancement of Science Annual Meeting, Washington D.C. <https://bit.ly/3oFXWPy>
- Valcourt, A.**, Sapp, L., Hunt, C., & Shawgo, K. (2019). *Never gonna give you up: Critical collection maintenance and faculty engagement in the academic library*. Presentation for The Library Collective, Knoxville, TN. <https://bit.ly/3bdwy8i>
- Willey, M., Sullivan, B., Thompson, L., & **Valcourt A.** (2018). *Deep thoughts: Incorporating a self-reflection prompt for improved instructional practice*. Presentation for the Georgia International Conference on Information Literacy, Savannah, GA. <https://bit.ly/3cVGSm8>
- Ostermiller, H., Price, E., Vess, D., & **Valcourt A.** (2018). *Search boxes, ad spaces, and control-f: Learning from usability testing*. Presentation for SpringyCamp 2018. <https://bit.ly/3PMiyRU>
- Reisner, B.A, Shorish, Y.L., & **Valcourt, A.** (2018). *Embedding data management into the undergraduate chemistry curriculum at James Madison University*. Presentation for the 255<sup>th</sup> American Chemical Society (ACS) National Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- Giles, K. & **Valcourt, A.** (2017). *Getting started with Open Science Framework (OSF)*. Presentation for the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Teaching and Learning with Technology Conference, Harrisonburg, VA. <https://bit.ly/3zopaiK>
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## Posters

- Young, A.**, Willey, M., Sullivan, B., & Schubert, C. (2021, Oct. 27). *Sunset, Sunrise: Revolving Support to an Open Citation Manager*. [poster]. Virginia Libraries Association Annual Conference., Richmond, VA. <https://bit.ly/3SdfHTE>
- Young, A.** (2021, June 21). *Evaluating sources to open up conversation about systemic racism in an information literacy chemistry course*. [poster]. ACRL Science and Technology Section Research Forum and Poster Session. <https://bit.ly/3Bsivqm>
- Valcourt, A.** & Berndsen, C. (2020, Mar. 3). *Librarian in the biochemistry lecture: Effectively finding information with open resources*. Royal Society of Chemistry Twitter Poster Conference. <https://bit.ly/3Bs0DM5>
- Valcourt, A.** & Berndsen, C. (2020, Mar. 3). *Opening up biochemistry with course-embedded research projects*. Royal Society of Chemistry Twitter Poster Conference. <https://bit.ly/3cRuByM>
- Flota, B., Sapp, L., Thompson, L., & **Valcourt, A.** (2019). *Open educational resources talking points*. Presentation from JMU Libraries Showcase, Harrisonburg, VA. <https://bit.ly/3PKO5ns>

Calcagno-Roach, J., Chenevey, L., Stauffer, E., Thompson, L., Willey, M., & **Valcourt, A.** (2019). *The CommIns: Inspiring engaged learning*. Presentation from JMU Libraries Showcase, Harrisonburg, VA. <https://bit.ly/3zIm0rg>

Price, E., Gardner, S., Vess, D., Ostermiller, H., & **Valcourt, A.** (2018). *The gap between student and subject guide: Findings from a usability testing pilot*. Presentation from LET Showcase, Harrisonburg, VA. <https://bit.ly/3PN7aVW>

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## Other

Schubert, C., Willey, M., & **Young, A.** (2021). What's behind a web search? Bias and algorithms. CORA (Community of Online Research Assignments). <https://bit.ly/3cRiPog>

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## Honors & Awards

AAAS Annual Meeting Sponsored Registration	2023
PRIMO site of the month interview: January 2022- Interview with Carolyn Schubert, Malia Willey, and Alyssa Young. <a href="https://bit.ly/3vq42al">https://bit.ly/3vq42al</a>	2022
NNLM's Library Carpentry Workshop Sponsored Registration	2020
AAAS Annual Meeting Sponsored Registration	2019
New England Science Boot Camp Scholarship Recipient	2018

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## Non-Degree Courses and Certificates

Carpentries Workshop Instructor	2021
Feminist Pedagogy, Library Juice Academy	2019
Patent Searching for Librarians, Library Juice Academy	2018

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## Professional Service

### Department Service

Academic Software Review Committee, JMU Libraries	2020-2022
Council on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, JMU Libraries, chair	2019-2021
Council on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, JMU Libraries, vice-chair	2018-2019
Collection Development Committee, JMU Libraries	2022
Accelerating Creative Teaching (ACT) Grant Reviewer, JMU Libraries	2018-2020
Organizational Learning Committee, JMU Libraries	2017-2018

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## University Service

Diversity Chairs Council, James Madison University	2019-2021
MadiSTEM Conference, Volunteer Coordinator	2018-2022
IACUC Committee, James Madison University	2017-2022

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## National & International Service

MAC MLA, Research and Assessment Committee, co-chair	2024-
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ACRL/STS Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee	2022-2023
STEM Librarians Collaborative Conference Committee	2020-2022
ACRL/STS Professional Development Committee, co-chair	2020-2022
ACRL/STS Professional Development Committee	2018-2020
American Chemical Society Academic Roundtable	2017-2022
JoVE Library Advisory Board	2017-2022

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## Professional Affiliations

Mic-Atlantic Chapter of the Medical Library Association	2023-
Medical Library Association	2023-
Association of College and Research Libraries	2017-2024
American Library Association	2015-2024