



Congratulations . . .

Summer Internships

Haley Sheehy
Denise Farley
CNN Summer Interns

Meghan Crews
Kailyn Middleton
Library of Congress
Junior Fellows

Denise Farley
Georgia Health Sciences Library
Association Legacy Scholarship

Kate Mathews
SOLIS ALA Reimbursement

(one more ALA reimbursement remains—see lower right)

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Talk to Dr. Most . . .

The inaugural online student town hall meeting called “Talk to Dr. Most” was held using Blackboard Collaborate inside MLIS Village on the evening of April 13, 2016.

The new online town hall meetings are intended to replace the department’s face-to-face town hall events that have been held during the Georgia Library Association meeting at GaCOMO. Moving the town hall meetings online allows out-of-state students and those who can’t attend the GaCOMO conference a chance to share their thoughts with the department head. The online town hall offers a chance for students to chase down rumors, ask questions, offer suggestions, or simply share their thoughts about the MLIS degree program.

Seven students participated, some anonymously and some by name. The session was not recorded to protect the confidentiality of the process. Questions about department policy and resources were answered.

One student request led to a proposal brought to the MLIS faculty on the development of a for-credit Summer Internship course. Dr. Most envisions this as a summer-only opportunity that enables students to earn academic credit for structured internships secured during the summer such as those offered by CNN, the Smithsonian, and the Library of Congress. The MLIS Curriculum Committee will work out the details for this course in the 2016-2017 academic year.

Watch the MLIS Village and your BlazeVIEW course sites for an announcement of the next “Talk to Dr. Most” forum .

ALA Registration Reimbursement

There is still funding through SOLIS for one more student registration for full ALA registration which covers any and all conference dates between June 24 and June 28 and all sessions except for pre-conferences and optional ticketed events. Both Georgia residents and out-of-state students are eligible for all SOLIS awards. The first two students to apply receive the reimbursements. **Apply by sending an email to Dr. Ondrusek with your receipt for ALA registration attached by Friday, June 3rd.**



June MLIS Meet-up

The VSU MLIS program will be 15 years old this year! SOLIS has designated Monday June 6th as a summer meet-up day for VSU MLIS students and alumni across the country.

A live meet-up will be held in downtown Valdosta at the newly-opened café, Book & Table, from 6-8 pm. Free refreshments with coffee and wine bars will be available.

If you are a student or alum outside the Valdosta area, form a local group. Look for a library or restaurant or bookstore that will allow you to get together for an hour or so of camaraderie and catching up.

People attending are welcome to use the SOLIS social media accounts to converse live or to send and receive posts throughout the evening. See the article , right ->

Post pictures through Instagram or the MLIS Facebook



ALA Reunion and Booth

The celebration of the VSU MLIS 15th Anniversary will continue at the ALA Convention in Orlando! Join us at the ALA MLIS Reunions event on **Sunday, June 26th**. Time & Location: 5:30 - 7:30 pm in the Hilton Orlando Room, Lake Eola A.

This is a convocation of MLIS programs from across North America. Look for the Valdosta State University table to reunite with faculty, former classmates, and current students. Refreshments provided. Cash bar.

Visit us at booth #1150 in the Library School & Instruction Pavilion. Get a VSU MLIS ribbon - add it to your badge—wear it with pride!

SOLIS Twitter and SpeakEasy

SOLIS has a new Twitter account!!

To tag your messages to SOLIS from your Twitter account, on June 6th, use either (or both):
Our Twitter account name: @solisvsu
This hashtag: #solisjune6

Now open—The SOLIS SpeakEasy!!

SOLIS has a Web conference spot called the SpeakEasy.

If you or your local meetup group want to join the Valdosta crowd live at Book & Table on June 6th between the hours of 6 and 8 pm, copy and paste this link into your browser to connect to the SpeakEasy:

<http://tinyurl.com/zy8svtg>

You will be asked to provide your name in a guest login box.

SpeakEasy uses the Collaborate web conferencing product. If you have used it previously, you can click into the session using the collab mtg button (lower left of screen). If you do not use Collaborate, download the Collaborate Installer—it's one click and takes a few seconds. After the download completes, follow the prompts, then click Join.

Current students may enter Collaborate through the MLIS Village. Simply join the SpeakEasy.

We're on Facebook



Use our QR for quick access . . .



VSU Graduate Research Symposium

Ashley Hoffman represented the research efforts of the MLIS program in this year's 8th Annual Graduate Research Symposium held on the VSU campus on April 22nd. Ashley (a December 2015 graduate) presented her Capstone research project entitled "The New Face of Resource Sharing: A Survey of Academic Library Direct Borrowing Consortia."



SOLIS Financial Report 2015-2016

SOLIS has an account managed by the VSU Foundation, Inc.

Our source of income is from T-shirt sales and donations.

In Fall 2014, our opening balance was \$655.95.

We earned \$300.00 in T-shirt sales.

That left us with a balance of \$955.95 that carried into the 2015 year.

Accounting of income and expenditures from 2/15 to 5/16.

INCOME

955.95	Opening balance 2/2015
384.00	T-shirt sales
<u>389.10</u>	Faculty donations
1656.95	

EXPENDITURES

150.00	2015 ALA Registration reimbursement #1
150.00	2015 ALA Registration reimbursement #2
58.89	RemnantTrust reception refreshments
765.00	Purchase of 125 T-shirts
<u>2.10</u>	2% Admin. Service Charge
1165.99	

BALANCE (5/6/2016): \$ 562.96.

Summer-Fall 2016 Registration Guide

Please bookmark this site as your link to the VSU Summer-Fall 2016 Registration guide-> <http://www.valdosta.edu/academics/registrar/documents/sumfall-registration-guide-2016.pdf>

This 15-page guide includes calendars for both semesters; deadlines for paying fees; instructions on how to register for classes online; and explanations of procedures such as pro-rated tuition reimbursement, drop/add, and withdrawal from classes.

Over the summer, there are two dates that apply to MLIS students in the case you wish to withdraw from a summer course. If you are taking an 11-week core course, the last day to withdraw without academic penalty is June 17th. For the 7-week courses, the last day to withdraw without academic penalty is July 5th.

Note: Applications to withdraw after midterm must now go through VSU's Centralized Advising (<http://www.valdosta.edu/student/centralized-advising/>). This includes requests for medical or hardship withdrawals (the form is found at <http://www.valdosta.edu/student/centralized-advising/forms/application-for-medical-or-hardship-withdrawal-form.pdf>).



SOLIS T-Shirt Campaign!

Support the Student Organization of Library and Information Science (SOLIS) by ordering your own T-shirt with the VSU and MLIS insignias!

The 2016-2017 year marks the 15^h anniversary of the MLIS program, and the T-shirt shows our founding date of 2001 as an open entry.

Proceeds from sales have funded student registrations to the ALA convention, expenses for the new student peer advising panels (when needed), a breakfast reunion at GaCOMO, and a reception for the travelling rare books exhibit on loan from the RemnantTrust.

SOLIS T-Shirt Order Form

Yes, I want to support SOLIS! Please send me _____ (number) of shirts.

Please indicate the quantity for each size:

Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ X-Large _____ XX-Large _____ XXX-Large _____

Order of one (1) shirt is \$20 (includes processing and shipping via USPS)

Order of 2 or more shirts is \$15 per shirt (processing and shipping included).

Total enclosed: _____

Check payment only.

Make check payable to MLIS Foundation and write . Allow two to four weeks to receive your t-shirt(s).

Please mail this form with your check to :

Dr. Anita Ondrusek
 Department of Library and Information Studies
 Valdosta State University
 Valdosta, GA 31698

Your shipping address:

Name: _____

Complete ailing Address: _____
