

# William F. Meehan III

## Education

Master of Library Science, Indiana University 2005  
Doctor of Arts, English, Middle Tennessee State University 1996  
Dissertation: Clause Structure and Prose Style in the Novels of William F. Buckley Jr.  
Dissertation Director: Michael J. Neth  
Master of Arts, English, University of Delaware 1988  
Bachelor of Arts, English, Hampden-Sydney College 1977

## Recognition

Center for Faculty Development and Instructional Improvement Grant, VSU Fall 2008  
Center for Faculty Development and Instructional Improvement Grant, VSU Spring 2009  
Faculty Research Grant, Valdosta State University, 2009  
Merit Scholarship, Indiana University, School of Library and Information Science 2005  
Historical Research Foundation Grant 1997, 2008  
The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi  
GTA, Department of English, Middle Tennessee State University 1995-1996  
GA, College of Graduate Studies, Middle Tennessee State University 1993-1995

## Current Position

Assistant Professor Since August 1, 2008  
School of Library and Information Science Valdosta State University

## Previous Teaching and Academic Appointments

Adjunct Lecturer 2006  
Indiana University School of Library and Information Science  
Courses taught: Library Public Relations; History of Libraries

Senior Fellow, Archives and Rare Books 2006-2007  
University of Louisville Ekstrom Library

Instructor, Capella University (online) 2002  
Instructor, University of Wisconsin-River Falls, Department of English Fall 2000, 2001  
Instructor, University of St. Thomas, Department of English 1999-2000  
Instructor, University of Delaware, Department of English Spring 1997; 1989-90  
Instructor, Eastern College, Department of English Fall 1996  
GTA, Middle Tennessee State University, Department of English 1995-1996  
Intern, Middle Tennessee State University, Department of English 1994-1995  
Instructor, Salem College, Humanities Division Spring, Summer 1993  
Instructor, Widener University, Department of English Fall 1992  
Instructor, West Chester University, Department of English 1989-1991  
Instructor, Drexel University, Department of Humanities & Communication 1987-1989

## Professional Positions

Registrar/Rare Book Cataloger/Collection Supervisor 2007-2008  
Arader Galleries New York

Intern 2005-2006  
Indiana University Lilly Library

Editor, *SLIS News*; Editorial Assistant, *SLIS Network* 2004-2005  
Indiana University School of Library and Information Science

## Exhibitions Curated

- "Books of the Founding Fathers." Ekstrom Library, University of Louisville Oct. 13-Nov. 15 2007  
"The Moderns." Ekstrom Library, University of Louisville February 22-April 13 2007  
"David A. Randall: A Bookman to the Last." Lilly Library, Indiana University July 1-29 2006  
"Ben Franklin, Printer." Lilly Library, Indiana University January 9-February 17 2006

## Selected Publications and Papers

### Books

- Conversations with William F. Buckley Jr.* University Press of Mississippi, 2009.  
*William F. Buckley Jr.: A Bibliography.* ISI Books, 2002.

### Contributions to Reference Books

- Contributor, *American Conservatism: An Encyclopedia.* ISI Books, 2006.  
Contributing Editor, *Choosing the Right College.* 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Eerdmans, 2001.

### Articles

- "In Praise of the Alexandrian Librarians: Pioneers in Literary Scholarship." *Indiana Libraries* 27 (2) 2008: 33-35.
- "The Harvard and Yale University Library Rowing Collections: A Checklist Evaluation and Semi-Availability Study." *Library Collections, Acquisitions, and Technical Services* 31 (3-4) 2007: 119-137. Coauthored with Thomas E. Nisonger.
- "Printing in Colonial America: An Annotated Bibliography of Reference Sources." *Endpapers* March 2008: 7-13.
- "On Loving the Book: Connoisseurship and the Archivist." *Indiana Libraries* 27 (1) 2008: 74-76.
- "A Pathfinder of Reference Sources for the Sport of Rowing." *The Sport Journal* Volume 10, Number 4. Fall 2007. Coauthored with Steven R. Murray.
- "Cool Things About Cool Books": Audubon's *Birds of America* (Color-Plate books). *The Owl* September 2007: 7.
- "The Rowing Collection in the Free Library of Philadelphia OPAC: A Checklist Evaluation." *Collection Management*, 30 (4): 2007: 85-104. Coauthored with Thomas E. Nisonger.
- "Towards a Philosophy of Librarianship." *Kentucky Libraries* 71 (2) 2007:6-7.
- "Cool Things About Cool Books": Tip Top Weekly (Dime Novels). *The Owl* Summer 2007: 11.
- "The Importance of Cosimo de Medici in Library History." *Indiana Libraries* 26 (3) 2007:15-17.
- "Cool Things About Cool Books": Divine Offices of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Medieval Manuscript Book of Hours) *The Owl* May 2007: 8.
- "Cool Things About Cool Books": *Studies of Chess* by Peter Pratt (Fore-edge paintings). *The Owl* April 2007: 4.
- "Cool Things About Cool Books": *Dubliners* by James Joyce (difficulties with publishers and textual changes). *The Owl* March 2007:11.
- "Ben Franklin, Printer: Selections from the Indiana University Lilly Library Collection." *Indiana Libraries* 26.1 (2007) 55-58.

"First Impression: An Interview with Author and Bibliophile Nicholas A. Basbanes." *Indiana Libraries* 25.3 (2006): 48-51.

"Going Digital." *SLIS Network* Fall 2005: 10-12.

### Conference Papers

"Sports Holdings at Major American Libraries: Rowing as a Case Study." Annual Meeting of the Popular Culture Association and the American Culture Association, Libraries, Archives, and Popular Research Area. New Orleans April 9-11, 2009.

"William F. Buckley Jr. As Literary Figure: A Consideration." Annual Meeting of the Popular Culture Association in the South and the American Culture Association in the South. Louisville, KY October 9-11.

"'There's a knowledge worth possessing'; Or, Why We'll Always Need the Library." Annual Meeting of the Popular Culture Association and the American Culture Association, Libraries, Archives, and Popular Research Area. San Francisco March 22, 2008.

"The Grandeur of Rowing." Annual Meeting of the Popular Culture Association in the South and American Culture Association of the South. Jacksonville, FL September 27-29, 2007.

"Prose Style in the Blackford Oakes Novels of William F. Buckley Jr." The Twentieth-Century Literature and Culture Conference. University of Louisville, February 24, 2007.

"The Archivist and Connoisseurship." Annual Meeting of the American Culture Association and Popular Culture Association, Libraries, Archives, and Museums Area. Boston, April 7, 2007.

"The Role of Monastic Scriptoria in the Development of the Book in Medieval Europe." The 18th Annual Medieval Studies Symposium. Indiana University, Bloomington April 8, 2006.

"Cosimo de Medici: Patron of the Humanists and Father of Libraries in Renaissance Florence." Tomlinson Library, Mesa State College. March 14, 2006.

"Why Special Collections Exhibition Curators Must Consider the Audience: A Tutorial." The 46<sup>th</sup> Annual RBMS Preconference. St. Louis June 22, 2005.

### Service

Valdosta State University Service

MLIS Outreach Committee 2008-

MLIS Assessment Committee 2008-

MLIS Textbook Committee (Chair) 2008-

MLIS Tenure-track Position Search Committee 2008

Articles Reviewer, *Southeastern Librarian* 2009-

Articles Reviewer, *Serial Review* 2007-Current

Reader, Teaching American History Grant Project, U.S. Department of Education 2001

Editorial Board, *Business Communications Quarterly* 1996-1997

Middle Tennessee State University Committee Appointments 1993-1996

College of Liberal Arts Grade Appeals

Athletics

Institutional Review Board

Graduate Council, Graduate Student Issues Subcommittee (Chairman)

SACS Accreditation, Committee on Institutional Effectiveness

Faculty Research Council (non-voting member)

Board Member, Friends of the Wilmington Library 1991-1993

Editor, *The Grapevine*, Friends of the Wilmington Library Newsletter 1992-1993