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Work Experience

Professor of Library Administration, University of Toledo, 1986-2017
Tenure granted, 1991. Promoted to Full Professor, 1997
Director of Special Collections and University Archivist, University of Toledo, 2002-2017
University Archivist, University of Toledo, 1986-2017
Interim Director of University of Toledo Libraries, 2015-2017
Director of the University of Toledo Press, 2013-2017
Local Records Specialist, State Archives Department, Ohio Historical Society, 1984-1986
Archivist I, Manuscripts Department, Ohio Historical Society, 1982-1984

Summary Job Description

As director of the Ward M. Canaday Center and University Archivist, I was responsible for administration of the special collections department of the University of Toledo Libraries, including the rare book, manuscript, and University Archives collections. As University Archivist, I was also responsible for records management at UT.

As interim director of University Libraries, I was responsible for all operations of the William S. Carlson Library and Mulford Library.

As director of the University of Toledo Press, I oversaw all operations of the press, including business operations, and edited author manuscripts.

At the Ohio Historical Society, I was responsible for identifying and collecting records of historical value from individuals and organizations throughout the state, and for advising local governments on the appropriate management of their records.

Education

Master of Public Administration, University of Toledo, 1989
Master of Arts in American History, University of Toledo, 1982
Bachelor of Arts in Journalism, University of Toledo, 1980

Research and Scholarship

Selected Monographs/Articles/Chapters

An Institution for the Promoting of Knowledge: The University of Toledo at 150. The University of Toledo Press, 2023. Winner of the Bowling Green State University Local History Publications Award, Professional Division, 2023.

Campus History Series, *The University of Toledo.* Arcadia Press, 2017.

The Glass City: Toledo and the Industry That Built It. The University of Michigan Press, 2015. Winner of the Bowling Green State University Center for Archival Collections Local History Publications Award, Professional Division, 2015.

Editor and Principal Author, *From Institutions to Independence: A History of People with Disabilities in Northwest Ohio.* The University of Toledo Press, 2010. Winner of the Bowling Green State University Center for Archival Collections Local History Publications Award, Professional Division, 2010.

Legendary Locals of Toledo. Arcadia Press, 2016.

“The Boy Who Changed the World: Ohio and the Crippled Children’s Movement.” *Ohio History*, Vol. 118, 2011, pp. 72-90.

Images of America—*Toledo: The 20th Century*. Arcadia Press, 2005.

Images of America—*Toledo: The 19th Century*. Arcadia Press, 2004.

Co-author, with S. Amjad Hussain, *APPNA Qissa: History of the Association of Pakistani Physicians of North America, 1978-2003*. Published by the Association of Pakistani Physicians of North America, 2004.

Co-author, with Vicki Kroll, *The First 150 Years: A History of the Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas County*. Published by the Academy, 2001.

“Chewing Tobacco, Meat Packers, Hamburger Chains, and Automobile Dealerships: Early Professional Basketball in Toledo.” *Northwest Ohio History* 75 (1), 2003, pp. 59-74.

Co-author, with John Phillips. “A Question of Quality: How Authors and Editors Perceive Library Literature.” *College and Research Libraries* 58 (1), January 1997, pp. 81-93.

The Tower’s Lengthening Shadow: 125 Years of the University of Toledo. Toledo, OH: Friends of the University of Toledo Libraries, 1997. Available on-line at:
<www.history.utoledo.edu/att/tower2/ch1p1.htm>

Barbara Floyd and Richard Oram, "Learning by Doing: Undergraduates as Employees in Archives." *American Archivist* 55(3): 440-452 (Summer 1992).

Barbara Floyd, Richard Oram, and Nola Skousen, "A City Built of Glass." *Labor's Heritage* 2(4): 66-75 (October 1990).

"The Archivist as Public Administrator." *Midwestern Archivist* 15(1): 17-24 (1990).

"When Opportunity Knocked: UT's Opportunity School." *Northwest Ohio Quarterly*, (Spring 1988): 69-77.

Miscellaneous Professional Activities

Awarded the Daniel Saevig Blue T Award by the University of Toledo Alumni Association for outstanding service to the university and community, October 2023.

Consultant on archives projects for: Tiscornia Foundation (2025); Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur (2024); Boys and Girls Clubs of Toledo (2023-2024); Metroparks Toledo (2022); Toledo City Council (2018)

Organized over 20 exhibitions in the Ward M. Canaday Center for Archival Collections, and edited accompanying exhibition catalogs, 1986-2017.

Editor, *Archival Issues: The Journal of the Midwest Archives Conference*, 2010-2012.

Scholarly papers presented at the Society of Ohio Archivist (multiple times), the American Association for State and Local History, the Ohio Association of Historical Societies and Museums, the Michigan Archival Association, the Southern Association for the History of Medicine and Science, the Popular Culture Association, the Midwest Archives Conference (multiple times), and the Society of American Archivists (multiple times.)

Frequent lecturer to community groups on topics related to Toledo history.

Selected University and Professional Service

Member, Libbey House Foundation Board of Directors, 2017-2023. Wrote numerous successful grants to support educational programs and administrative needs of the Foundation and to preserve the Libbey House, a National Historic Landmark. Includes preparing a fully-funded Ohio Capital Appropriation request for a major restoration project.

Chair, Mark A Greene Emeritus Scholarship Committee, Midwest Archives Conference, 2023-2024.

Executive board member, University of Toledo Retirees Association. Served on scholarship committee, 2020-2022. Editor, *Tower Talk* newsletter, 2020-.

Member of numerous university and college committees, including representing the library on Faculty Senate.

Chair of the Faculty Senate, 2006-2007

Member, Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board, 1993-2015. Appointed by the governor. Board is the state arm of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission. Reviewed grant applications and conducted statewide planning for Ohio historical records projects.

Member, State Electronic Records Committee, 1999-2015. Committee developed best practices and guidelines for managing electronic records created by state offices and institutions.

Secretary, Midwest Archives Conference, 1996-2001. Responsible for taking minutes and maintaining membership database for largest regional archival organization in the country. Elected by membership to two terms.

President, Society of Ohio Archivists, 1990-93. Elected by members to two terms as president of organization representing 200 archivists in Ohio. Organized group's celebration of its 25th anniversary in 1993.

Member, Ohio Attorney General's Task Force on Open Government, 1993. Appointed by Attorney General. Task force studied Ohio's public records laws for one year and proposed changes to legislature.

University of Toledo representative to the Inter-University Council of Ohio's statewide task force on college and university records, 1989-2001. Chaired subcommittee on financial records. Task force produced *Records Retention for Public Colleges and Universities in Ohio: A Manual*.

Professional Memberships

Society of American Archivists, 1993-2017.

American Association of University Professors, 1992-2002.

Midwest Archives Conference, 1984-.2017. Granted emeritus status, 2017.

Society of Ohio Archivists, 1985-2015.