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Education

Bachelor of Arts (Political Science), McMaster University, 1969

Master of Library Science, University of Western Ontario, 1973

Master of Arts (Political Science), University of Western Ontario, 1974

Professional Experience

- Director, Centre for Scholarly Communication, April 1, 2010
- Associate University Librarian for Information Technology and Scholarly Communication, January 2006 – March 2010
- Assistant Director, Technology, 1986 - 2006
- Awarded tenure, 1986
- 1981 - 1986 Librarian IV with various administrative appointments in Technical Services, University of Calgary Library
- 1980 - 1981 Librarian/Consultant, Calgary Public Library
- 1976 - 1980 Librarian IV, McMaster University Library with administrative responsibility for Interlibrary Loans and Library Systems
- 1978 - 1979 Lecturer in the Library Techniques Programs at Mohawk College (Hamilton, Ontario) and Sheridan College (Oakville, Ontario)
- 1975 - 1980 Librarian/Consultant, Casson-Oman Management Consultants, Etobicoke, Ontario
- 1975 - 1976 Librarian/Consultant, Hamilton Law Association Library, Hamilton, Ontario
- 1973 - 1975 Librarian, National Library of Canada, Ottawa, Ontario
- 1969 - 1971 Reference Assistant, Burlington Public Library, Burlington, Ontario

Peer Reviewed Competitive Support

- Principal Investigator, Synergies, the Canadian Information Network for Research in the Social Sciences and Humanities, Alberta Science & Research Investments Program and the Canada Foundation for Innovation, 2006-2011
- Co-investigator, Prairie Research Data Centre, annual infrastructure grants from SSHRC and CIHR, as well as CFI funding for the establishment and running of the Centre
- Bede, Gilbert and Mary Westell Alberta Learning Stakeholder Technology Branch, \$150,000, "Supernet shared-service technology solutions" in collaboration with Red Crow College, 2004.
- Alberta Community Initiatives Program \$25,000 - The Alberta heritage Online Aerial Photograph Collection, 2004
- University of Calgary Indirect Costs of Research - \$80,000 for DSpace Institutional Repository project, 2003
- Emerging Technologies Interest Group (Canadian Library Association) Workshop Award, \$1000, Fall, 2002
- Alberta Historical Airphoto Image Project, \$30,000 awarded by The Alberta Library (Knowledge Network Emerging Projects Grant), June 2001

- Our Future Our Past Proposal for digitizing historical resources of Alberta. Funding from The Alberta Library (TAL) \$12,000 ; Canada Millienium Foundation \$137,000 ; and the Alberta Historical Resources Foundation \$180,000, 3 years, beginning in 1998
- Learning Enhancement Envelope grant for Western Canada Virtual Library, for the year 1997 \$25,000
- Learning Enhancement Envelope grant for Electronic Reading Room, with Dr. William J. Reeves, Department of Sociology For the year 1997 \$187,394
- Learning Enhancement Envelope grant for the Western Canada Virtual Library projects, For the year 1996 \$52,000
- Neary, Sharon, Harold Esche and Mary Westell Grant for LANDRU enhancement Research Grant, Teaching Development Office For the year 1996 \$25,990
- Neary, Sharon, Harold Esche and Mary Westell LANDRU optimization: enhancing local access to data retrieval Research Grant, Teaching Development Office For the year 1995 \$37,900
- Neary, Sharon, Harold Esche, and Mary Westell The LANDRU initiative: local access to networked data retrieval utility Research Grant, Teaching Development Office. For the year 1995 \$30,000
- Proposal to acquire adapted technology workstations (with Leslie Barnes and Linda Pearce) for the Library Equipment Grant, National Library of Canada. For the year 1995 \$10,889 Matched by the Associate Vice President, Student Services.
- Proposal for funding to establish an Information Arcade to bring together electronic products in the MacKimmie Library. Equipment Grant, University Budget Committee for the year 1995 \$30,000

Publications, Papers, Conference Presentations

- Au Yeung, Tim and Mary Westell "The Canadian Information Network for Research in the Social Sciences and Humanities" Presented at
- "Bringing Local History to Life of the Web: Digital Collections" Paper presented at Alberta's Cultural Communities: a Diverse History, Calgary, May 2009
- Waller, Andrew and Mary Westell "Open Access initiatives at the University of Calgary" Letter of the LAA, 163, May 2009
- "Synergies: the Canadian Information Network for Research in the Social Sciences and Humanities" Paper presented at Netspeed 2008 Conference, Edmonton, October 2008
- "Synergies: the Canadian Information Network for Research in the Social Sciences and Humanities" Panel with Lynn Copeland and Rea Devakos, Access 2008 Conference, Hamilton, October 2008
- "Synergies: the Canadian Information Network for Research in the Social Sciences and Humanities" Paper presented at the Canheit 2008 conference, Calgary, June 2008
- "Institutional Repositories: proposed measures of success" Library Hi Tech, 24 (2). 2006 <http://www.emeraldinsight.com/0737-8831.htm>. Also available on DSpace <http://dl.handle/net01880.44043>. Refereed.
- Panel Reactor Presentation, TAL Federated Search Symposium, Calgary, February 2006
- "Digital Libraries" Invited lecture, University of Alberta Faculty of Library and Information Studies, Edmonton, November 2006
- "Community Spirit: Keeping it Alive: Our Roots and Our Future Our Past" Invited presentation, Multicultural Canada Conference, June 1, 2006
- "Institutional Repositories: Tools for Scholarship" Calgary, Association for Media in Technology in Education in Canada (AMTEC) Conference, May 26, 2005
- Westell, Mary and Zahina Iqbal "Perspectives from The Alberta Library: Best Practices from Libraries for Learning Object repositories" Edmonton, Alberta Online Learning Symposium, November 2004
- "Case studies for populating your Institutional Repository" Halifax, October 24, 2004, Invited paper for the CARL/Access PreConference on Institutional Repositories
- Beatty, Susan, Lachlan Bickley, Adrienne Canty and Mary Westell Managing Information

- Commons Presented at the Netspeed 2003 Conference, October 25, 2003
- Allectra: Web-based Access to Copyright cleared Course Readings Presented at the Netspeed 2000 Conference, Calgary, September 29, 2000
 - "Targeted Funding: Local Projects" Presented at the Canadian Library Association Conference, Edmonton, June 24, 2000
 - "University of Calgary Information Commons" Presented at the Interface 2000 Conference, Edmonton, June 8, 2000
 - "Allectra: Copyright Cleared Academic Course Readings" Presented at the Interface 2000 Conference, Edmonton, June 9, 2000
 - "The Information Commons at the University of Calgary" Invited presentation at Netspeed 99, Edmonton, September 23, 1999
 - Library Technology Plan, 1998 (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/lib-old/plans/techdev97.html>)
 - Leading effective meetings Invited course for University of Calgary Human Resources training series, 1998
 - "Our libraries: the net is not enough" videotaped presentation for the University of Calgary Alumni Association, text published in Infoserve, March 1998 Reprinted in Write Angles, the newsletter of the Calgary Writers Association
 - "Alberta Conference focuses on information technology" New currents in teaching and technology 4(5), 1997
 - Strategic Planning for library automated systems Invited paper, Netspeed 97 Conference, Edmonton, October 18, 1997
 - "Vital connections to our collections: the new library systems" Invited paper British Columbia Library Association Conference, Vancouver, May 10, 1997
 - SIRSI Project Update Infoserve 3(1) January 1996
 - "New workstations for students with disabilities" Infoserve 3(1) January 1996
 - The Sirsi System Calgary Libraries in Action Presentation, January 25, 1996
 - "Unicorn library system expected to be online by 1996" Infoserve 3(3), 1995
 - "CWIS: a grassroots development model" Feliciter 40(3) March 1994 pp.53-55
 - "Hyper-G, the Universal Hypermedia System" Currents 3(1) February 1993
 - "Campus Wide Information Systems" The Big Byte 26(1) January 1993
 - Pearce, Linda and Mary Westell "A cost effective local strategy for deriving MARC records" PNLA Quarterly 57(2) Winter 1992
 - Warren, Darlene and Mary Westell Intellectual Property Policy Review: Library Response to Request for submissions University Libraries submission to University of Calgary General Faculties Council Intellectual Property Policy Review Committee (unpublished), 1992
 - "Report from the Canadian Committee on MARC" TSIG Newsletter 3(2) Fall 1992 p. 4-5
 - "Stretching the library catalogue" Invited paper presented at the Canadian Library Association Conference, June 1992
 - "The informational front end system at the University of Calgary" PNLA Quarterly 53(4) Summer 1989 p. 20-23
 - Pearce, Linda and Mary Westell. "MARC online: immediate access to cataloguing copy through the DOBIS Bibliographic Pool" Technical Services Quarterly 6(1) Fall 1988
 - "Implementation of the Bibliographic Pool" NADUG Conference, April 1987
 - "Large Systems" Presented at Libraries in Action session, Library Association of Alberta Conference, May 1, 1987
 - "Database standards" Invited paper presented at the American Library Association Catalogue Management Discussion Group, New York, June 1986
 - "DOBIS/LIBIS at the University of Calgary Library" Paper presented at the Library Association of Alberta Conference, Jasper, April 23, 1982
 - Ready, William and Mary Westell "CODOC: a Canadian cooperative computerized scheme for published government documents" The Canadian journal for information science vol. 3, May 1978
 - Robertson, Carolynne and Mary Westell Guide to legislative libraries and public and school library agencies in Canada Ottawa: National Library of Canada November 1975
 - "Internship for Librarians: some alternatives" Paper presented at the Education Action Committee

Programme, Ontario Library Association Conference, Ottawa, May 1974

Selected Professional Service Activities

- Canadian Library Association (CACUL, TSIG, ETIG, CASLIS)
- Library Association of Alberta
- Foothills Library Association
- Canadian Association of Public Data Users
- Interim Chair, COPPUL Working Group on Digital Preservation, 2009-2010
- Chair, Lois Hole Campus Alberta Digital Library Technology/Infrastructure Team, 2005
- Member, CIDL Steering Committee, 2005- 2008
- Chair, Council of Prairie and Pacific University Libraries, Digitization Group, 2004 - 2007
- Member, ReSearcher Steering Committee, 2003, 2005
- Member, RDC National Network Steering Committee Member 2003-2005
- Member, The Alberta Library, Netspeed Conference Planning Committee, 2003
- Chair, COPPUL Systems Group, 1999-2001
- Convenor, Internet Room, Pacific Northwest Library Association Conference, Calgary, August 1999
- Member, Access 97 Conference Planning Committee
- Convenor, Internet Room, Canadian Library Association Conference, Calgary, June 1995
- Member (appointed by Canadian Library Association) Canadian Committee on MARC, 1990 - 1993
- Certificate of Recognition, Library Association of Alberta, 1989
- Director, Library Association of Alberta, 1987-89
- Chair, Government Relations Committee, Library Association of Alberta, 1987-89
- Executive Member, Foothills Library Association, 1988-89

Selected University / Library Service Activities

- Member, Associate Deans Research Council, 2007 - 2010
- Vice-Provost Designate, Research Development Policy Committee (RDPC), 2007 - 2010
- Member, Information Technologies Action Group (ITAG), 2004-
- Member, Research Data Centre Management Committee, 2003-
- Member, University Portal Steering Committee - Mary Westell 2003- 2006
- Chair, Information Resources Revenue Generation and Production Team, 2003 -2004
- Chair, Information Resources Scholarly Communications Group, 2002 -
- Co-Chair, Program Committee, Information Resources Planning Day (Scholarly Communications and the Academy), May 2003
- Member, Calgary Education CEO Smart City subcommittee, 1999 - 2001
- Advisor, Library of the Future Task Force, 1998 - 1999
- Member, Library Task Force (appointed by the President), 1997 - 1998
- Member, Search Committee, Directors of Information Services and Information Resources, 1997
- Member, University Research Development Policy Committee (RDPC) 1999 - 2001
- Member, Technology Task Force, 1995 - 1997
- Member, Information Resources and Technology Committee, 1997 - 1999
- Member, University of Calgary Teaching and Technology Interest Group (Access and Adaptive Technology subcommittees), 1994 - 1995
- Member, General Faculties Council Library Committee, 1994 – 1998, 2007-
- Member, Health Knowledge Network Management Group, 1994
- Advisor, New Student Orientation Programme, 1994 - 1996
- Chair, Library Systems Selection Committee, 1991 - 1993
- Chair, Campus Wide Information Systems Committee, 1993 -2001

- Member, Calgary Libraries Working Group
- Member, Calgary Higher Education Networked Information Sources Committee, 1991 - 1993
- Member, numerous Library Council Advisory Committees for selection/reappointment over 30 years
- Member, many Library Council Committees, including Committee on Professional Conditions for two terms

April 1, 2010