

Titles of Special Projects & Theses in ILS at SCSU

Supervised by Dr. Soroya

Summer 2024

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Shelving Fictional Series Order: An Analysis of Best Practices for Accessibility". (May 2024 – August 2024)
Advised: Rachael Graves
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Reader Reporting: Podcasting Supports Intermediate Students Discourse Around Literature". (May 2024 – August 2024)
Advised: Kara Felegian
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "From Posts to Patrons: Evaluation Social Media Strategies in Public Libraries". (May 2024 – August 2024)
Advised: Julia Smith
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The Autistic child: Are public libraries offering enough?". (May 2024 – August 2024)
Advised: Rebecca Funaro
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Empowering Academic Achievement: Investigating Academic Library Programs for International Students". (May 2024 – August 2024)
Advised: Andrew M. Brenycz
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The Forgotten Patron: Teenage Library Patrons' Spaces and Programming". (May 2024 – August 2024)
Advised: Sarah P. Culver
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "School Libraries as Collaborators for Academic Excellence: Building a Community of Lifelong Learners". (May 2024 – August 2024)
Advised: Suzanne Silliman
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Reading Habits of Economically Disadvantaged Teens in Connecticut Summer Outreach Programs". (May 2024 – August 2024)
Advised: Gina Wise

Supervised Master's Special Project, "Social Seniors: An Analysis of Library Programming for Older Adults within Connecticut's Public Libraries". (May 2024 – August 2024)

Advised: Maggie Sanderson

Spring 2024

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Connecting Letters and Learners: Evaluating Pennsylvania Public Libraries for Collections and Services Aimed at Individuals with Dyslexia, Dysgraphia, & Dyscalculia". (January 2024 - May 2024)
Advised: Becky McTavish
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Borrowing Beyond Books: A Study of Nontraditional Collections in Public Libraries". (January 2024 - May 2024)
Advised: Madelyn Ludko
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The Mommy Librarian: Emotional Labor in Public Librarianship". (January 2024 - May 2024)
Advised: Tamara Kennedy
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Exploring the Relevance of the User Tagging System at Library Connection Inc: Analyzing Gender-related Tags on LibraryThing User Profiles". (January 2024 - May 2024)
Advised: Molly Aiudi
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "School and Public Library Partnerships: Current Status and Practices in Connecticut". (January 2024 - May 2024)
Advised: Kaylee Smith.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Redefining the goals of the library in the summer: Turning summer reading into summer learning". (January 2024 - May 2024)
Advised: Meaghan McKenney
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Investigating How City Public Libraries' Policies, Services, and Programs Contribute to Supporting the Homeless Population". (January 2024 - May 2024)
Advised: Ariss Tiu
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Assessing the Effectiveness and Impact of a Collaborative Initiative: Integrating Video Games for Teaching Driving Skills to Teenagers". (January 2024 - May 2024)
Advised: Manuel Iglesias Fernández

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Beyond the Rhetoric: Examining Book Ban Discourse". (January 2024 - May 2024)
Advised: Rachelle Langdon.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Exploring Digital Inclusivity: A Comprehensive Analysis of Web Accessibility on Connecticut Colleges Library Webpages in Accordance with WCAG 2.2 Guidelines". (January 2024 - May 2024)
Advised: Allison V. Wendt.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Charting New Territories: A Wayfinding & Design Odyssey in Sterling Memorial Library". (January 2024 - May 2024)
Advised: Ryan Keeler.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "AI in the Stacks & Stores – Standards for Regulating and Monitoring AI generated/Assisted Works in the Publishing Industry". (January 2024 - May 2024)
Advised: Steven James Jones Osier.

Fall 2023

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Research Readiness: Optimal instructional formats for college information literacy education". (August 2023 - December 2023)
Advised: Alexis Haakonsen.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Do Public Libraries in the State of Connecticut Provide Adequate Program Access for Disabled Youth Patrons?" (August 2023 - December 2023)
Advised: Paige Gardner.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Book Banning in CT Public Libraries". (August 2023 - December 2023)
Advised: Erin Maloney.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Free Speech and the Rise of Book Banning in America". (August 2023 - December 2023)
Advised: Nina Corbo.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Getting GLAM: An Examination of the Skill Expectations for Job Seekers in Galleries, Libraries, Archives, and Museums". (August 2023 - December 2023)
Advised: Elizabeth Dyer.

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Effects of User Experience Design (UX) on the Use of Technology Resources in Public Libraries". (August 2023 - December 2023)
Advised: Michelle Patnode.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Digital Bookworms: eBook Usage and Preferences of Connecticut Public Library Patrons Compared to Pre-Pandemic Usage". (August 2023 - December 2023)
Advised: Erin McGowan.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The Pro Bono Library: A Study of the Patrons and Questions Found in Massachusetts Public Law Libraries". (August 2023 - December 2023)
Advised: Mikolaj Nicolas Galazka.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Fairfield University Finding Aids Project: Increasing Access Through the Institutional Repository". (August 2023 - December 2023)
Advised: Jennifer Mottolese.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Story Time and Beyond: Exploring Services and Support for Preschoolers at the Public Library". (August 2023 - December 2023)
Advised: Erin Lynch.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Picture Book Organizational Methods and Classifications: A Study of Different Public Library Collections in Connecticut". (August 2023 - December 2023)
Advised: Sawyer G. Hanlon.
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Making the Most of Social Media: Facebook Best Practices for Library Makerspaces". (August 2023 - December 2023)
Advised: Daniel Robinson.

Supervised by Dr. Liu

2023

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "What Happens to Library Collections During Temporary Relocation? A Field Study of the Meriden Public Library," Information and Library Science. (January 2023 - May 2023).
Advised: Alexa Bosse
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Makerspaces in Connecticut: How public libraries are providing makerspace services for their patrons," Information and Library Science. (January 2023 - May 2023).
Advised: Allyson Bolton
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "What the People Want: Looking at Connecticut Public Library Programming and Services Interest through Social Media User Engagement," Information and Library Science. (January 2023 - May 2023).
Advised: Bogdana Faryna
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Print retention in the era of e-resources: the trends and impact of digitation on print usage as a case study of the University of Illinois Library System," Information and Library Science. (January 2023 - May 2023).
Advised: Christine Krom
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Impact of Ebook Pricing and Licensing Models on Public Libraries in Connecticut," Information and Library Science. (January 2023 - May 2023).
Advised: Lauren O'Neill
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Free to Read: Proactive Prevention of Censorship in Public Libraries," Information and Library Science. (January 2023 - May 2023).
Advised: Lyndsey Robinson
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Subscription box redesigning a young library user experience," Information and Library Science. (January 2023 - May 2023).
Advised: Melissa McGoldrick
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Do Students Have Access to Challenged Books in their School Libraries?," Information and Library Science. (January 2023 - May 2023).
Advised: Mikie Sturges

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Fine-Free Policies in Connecticut Public Libraries," Information and Library Science. (January 2023 - May 2023).
Advised: Nicolette Pavain
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Investigating Digital and Physical Collaboration Between Galleries, Libraries, Archives, And Museums in Connecticut Communities," Information and Library Science. (January 2023 - May 2023).
Advised: Rachel Szostek
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Moving Beyond Monolingual: Evaluating Print Multilingual Materials for Youth in Southern Maine Libraries," Information and Library Science. (January 2023 - May 2023).
Advised: Rose Gruszecki

2022

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Is Fighting Disinformation Valuable? A Survey of Connecticut Public Libraries on Their Strategies Towards Information Literacy," Information and Library Science. (May 2022 - August 2022).
Advised: Andre Massa
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "A Survey of The Popularity of Graphic Novels In American Schools," Information and Library Science. (May 2022 - August 2022).
Advised: Anneliese Juergensen
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Are Booklists Worth It? A Case Study Comparing the Circulation Rates of A Curated Booklist Versus A Curated Display in The Russell Library Children's Department," Information and Library Science. (May 2022 - August 2022).
Advised: Briana Gagnon
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Is the popularity of a certain genre of adult library program influenced by the demography of cities and towns?" Information and Library Science. (May 2022 - August 2022).
Advised: Edith Chi
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Are Adolescents' Rights to Read being Restricted?," Information and Library Science. (May 2022 - August 2022).
Advised: Kimmie Stack
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "21st Century School Libraries: The Shift From Traditional Libraries to Library Learning Commons in Connecticut Public Schools," Information and Library Science. (May 2022 - August 2022).
Advised: Martha Hegley

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Growing and Tending a Horticultural Library: A Case Study," Information and Library Science. (May 2022 - August 2022).
Advised: Regan Avery, Janet Perlman
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Raising Funds: Community Fundraising for the Public Libraries of Fairfield County, Connecticut," Information and Library Science. (May 2022 - August 2022).
Advised: Richard Schroeder
- Master's Thesis Major Advisor, "Ergonomics in the Library: Surveying the Presence and Necessity of Ergonomics in Connecticut Public Libraries to Offset.," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022). Presented at New England Library Association (NELA) Annual Conference, October 23, 2022.
Advised: Elizabeth O'Connor
- Master's Thesis Major Advisor, "Growing community, one seed at a time. An exploration of seed movements and how they are incorporated into library lending models." Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022). Presented at US Agricultural Information Network (USAIN) Conference, April 3-6, 2022.
Advised: Rachel Koladis
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Beyond Books: The Addition of Bike Share Programs to Public Libraries' Collections to Promote Health and Wellness," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022).
Advised: Adrienne Gottlieb
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Beyond Books: Do Libraries Use Their Websites to Recognize and Help Patrons Living Below the Poverty Line?," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022).
Advised: Batol Nouh
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Health Programming in Libraries," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022).
Advised: Jacqui Sweeney
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Computer and Wi-Fi Usage: How both Patrons and Libraries Benefit," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022).
Advised: Janelle Gaudet

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Queer and Quiet: A Study of Resource Availability in Small Public Libraries Supporting the Needs and Privacy of Teenage," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022).
Advised: Joseph Russo
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "An Examination of Technology in Public Libraries and the Impact of Leveling the Economic Divide," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022).
Advised: Kyler Jones
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Genrefication Versus Dewey Decimal System," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022).
Advised: Lauren Milak
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The COVID-19 Pandemic and Its Effect on Patronage in Libraries," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022).
Advised: Meredith West
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The Organization of the Public Library's Juvenile Fiction Picture Book Collection and the Corresponding Effects on Circulation," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022).
Advised: Nicole Gaudreau
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Are Minority Groups Appropriately Represented? An Analysis of a School District's Fictional Collections," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022).
Advised: Raymond Brumleve
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Diversity in a Small Town's Libraries: A Case Study," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022).
Advised: Sarah Minor
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Evaluating the Success of Public Library Construction Projects," Information and Library Science. (January 2022 - May 2022).
Advised: Shianne Goodfield

2021

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Responding to the COVID-19 Pandemic: Use of Outdoor Spaces at Public Libraries," Information and Library Science. (August 2021 - December 2021).
Advised: Benjamin Sodergren
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Connecticut Public Library Technology Education; Preparing Older Adults for Future Essential Digital Skills," Information and Library Science. (August 2021 - December 2021).
Advised: Carol Youle
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Mobile Making: Examining Online Service Offerings in Makerspaces," Information and Library Science. (August 2021 - December 2021).
Advised: David DiCostanzo
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Inclusion in Cataloging and Archival Description: A Study of Culturally Aware Language," Information and Library Science. (August 2021 - December 2021).
Advised: Emily Raymond
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Using a Collection Diversity Audit to Inform Collection Development in a High School Library," Information and Library Science. (August 2021 - December 2021).
Advised: Felice Russell
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Digitization as Preservation: Management, Benefits and Drawbacks as Seen by Digital Archivists," Information and Library Science. (August 2021 - December 2021).
Advised: Leah Smith
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Beyond Story Hour How early introduction to library services and programs affect individuals later in life," Information and Library Science. (August 2021 - December 2021).
Advised: Mary Jo Helchowski
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "A Survey of Law School Library Mindfulness Resources and Programing," Information and Library Science. (May 2021 - August 2021).
Advised: Brian Quigley

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "How Are Cultural Heritage Institutions Handling The Task of Digital Archival Information Management?," Information and Library Science. (May 2021 - August 2021).
Advised: Daniel Harpin
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Availability of Library Resources During the Covid-19 Pandemic: How Did Libraries Tailor Programs to The Communities They Service?," Information and Library Science. (May 2021 - August 2021).
Advised: Emily Beck
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Are Libraries Still Utilizing Virtual Programming as Pandemic Restrictions Are Lessened in the Summer of 2021?" Information and Library Science. (May 2021 - August 2021).
Advised: Josh LeBlanc
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Current Demands for Bioinformatics Librarians – A survey analyzing the job requirements, duties, training needs, and skills needed for success," Information and Library Science. (May 2021 - August 2021).
Advised: Kristina D'Agostino
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Are Libraries in The State of Connecticut Providing Educational Resources to Children With Disabilities?," Information and Library Science. (May 2021 - August 2021).
Advised: Rachel Leibiger
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Evaluation of the Search Bar for ARL Membership Libraries," Information and Library Science. (August 2019 - July 2021).
Advised: Lauren Johnson
- Master's Thesis Major Advisor, "Benefits of a Maker Space in a Library Media Center: The Academic and Curriculum Connection." Information and Library Science. (January 2021 - May 2021). Presented at SCSU Student Research and Creative Activity Conferences, May 3, 2021.
Advised: Deejae Maxwell
- Master's Thesis Major Advisor, "The Use of Mobile Services in Public Libraries Across the United States. Information and Library Science. (January 2021 - May 2021). Presented at SCSU Student Research and Creative Activity Conferences, May 3, 2021. Publication: Liu, Y. Q., & Lewis, S. (March 2023). Services to Mobile Users, The Best Practice from the Top-visited Public Libraries. Information Technology and Libraries (ITAL).
Advised: Sarah Lewis

- Master's Thesis Major Advisor, "Do the 100 most visited public libraries in the United States have accessible website homepages? Information and Library Science. (January 2021 - May 2021). Presented at SCSU Student Research and Creative Activity Conferences, May 3, 2021.
 Advised: Victoria Kiszka
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "A Library's Reach: How Public Libraries are Performing Outreach and Connecting with Black, Hispanic, Indigenous and Other Minority Communities Amid the Covid-19 Pandemic," Information and Library Science. (January 2021 - May 2021).
 Advised: Amanda Tierinni
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Libraries Support Vulnerable Patrons In Many Ways: Traditional Programming, Information Access, And Social Work In The Library," Information and Library Science. (January 2021 - May 2021).
 Advised: Bennie Finch
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The School Library Media Specialist in the 2020-2021 Academic Year: An Examination of how the Covid-19 Pandemic has Altered the Profession," Information and Library Science. (January 2021 - May 2021).
 Advised: Brendan McGovern
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Digital Resources: The Impact of COVID-19 on E-book and Audiobook Collection Development and Circulation in Connecticut Schools," Information and Library Science. (January 2021 - May 2021).
 Advised: Jennifer Melnick
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Libraries and Discord: An examination of library outreach via Social Media Platform Discord," Information and Library Science. (January 2021 - May 2021).
 Advised: Kelson Lucas
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Learning from a Crisis: What can the COVID-19 Epidemic Teach Us about Effectively Providing Remote Library Services?," Information and Library Science. (January 2021 - May 2021).
 Advised: Patricia Howard
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Why Are Think Tanks Important in Ivy League Schools?," Information and Library Science. (August 2020 - April 2021).
 Advised: Danastrel Salomon

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The Information-Seeking Behavior of Undergraduate Students: Bridging Gaps in Students' Lack of Information Literacy," Information and Library Science. (August 2020 - January 2021).
Advised: Diana Newman
- Master's Thesis Major Advisor, "Not So Fast: The Utilization of Quick Response (QR) Codes By Public Libraries in Connecticut – A Survey Report. Presented at CLA 2021 Virtual Conference, May 12, 2021," Information and Library Science. (August 2020 - December 2020).
Advised: Laurie Prichard

2020

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Graphic Medicine and Where to Find it: An Analysis of Graphic Medicine in Different Types of Libraries," Information and Library Science. (August 2020 - December 2020).
Advised: Jacqueline Fonseca-Ramos
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Makerspaces in Connecticut Schools: Who Has Them, What They Offer and How They Are Managed," Information and Library Science. (August 2020 - December 2020).
Advised: Jennifer Segalla
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "We're All in This Together: A Study on the Effects of the 2020 Covid-19 Pandemic On Public Library Services in the State of Connecticut," Information and Library Science. (August 2020 - December 2020).
Advised: Melissa Tullo
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The Impact of District Socioeconomic Status on Cuts in Public School Library Staffing in Connecticut," Information and Library Science. (August 2020 - December 2020).
Advised: Paul Deal
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "A Content Analysis of the Gender Representation in Children's Nonfiction Stem Career Books," Information and Library Science. (May 2020 - August 2020).
Advised: Amanda Draizen
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Shedding Light on Teen Summer Slide: Connecticut Public Library Summer Reading Programs and Their Engagement of Teens," Information and Library Science. (May 2020 - August 2020).
Advised: Ashley Ewert

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Copyright in The Time of Covid: Connecticut School Librarians' Self-Reported Copyright Knowledge and the Impact of Distance Learning," Information and Library Science. (May 2020 - August 2020).
Advised: Christine Zeiser
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "An Investigation into the State of Digitization and Online Access of Local History Resources in Connecticut Public Libraries," Information and Library Science. (January 2020 - May 2020).
Advised: Benjamin Cruson
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Genrefication, Fact and Fiction?: A Survey Research Study Examining Genrefication and The Inclusion Of Narrative Nonfiction," Information and Library Science. (January 2020 - May 2020).
Advised: Jessica Ritacco
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Public Library Events: Who, What, Where, When, and Why?" Information and Library Science. (August 2019 - January 2020). Publication: Kukiolczynski, K. T., & Liu, Y. Q. (2021). Public Library Events: Who, What, Where, When, and Why?. Public Library Quarterly, 1-22.
Advised: Katie Kukiolczynski

2019

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Barriers Connecticut Public Libraries are Facing with Mobile Services," Information and Library Science. (June 2019 - January 2020).
Advised: Michael Grater
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Empower from Within: Library Staffing and Professional Development Opportunities in CT School Libraries," Information and Library Science. (August 2019 - December 2019).
Advised: Audra Good
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "How Connecticut Public Libraries Are Responding To The Needs Of Patrons With Disabilities," Information and Library Science. (August 2019 - December 2019).
Advised: Dana Calash
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Library Anxiety: The Impact of Reference Librarian Demographics on Patron Perceptions of Librarian Approachability," Information and Library Science. (August 2019 - December 2019).
Advised: Samantha Bailey

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Current Trends of Censorship in Connecticut Elementary Schools: An inside look at how self-censorship and administrative pressure impacts book selection," Information and Library Science. (August 2019 - December 2019).
 Advised: Sarah Brihan
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Library Collection Development for Students with Disabilities: What Connecticut School Libraries Tell Us," Information and Library Science. (June 2019 - October 2019).
 Advised: Shannon Angelone
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The Impact of School Library Media Specialists on Student Achievement; A Connecticut Analysis," Information and Library Science. (June 2019 - August 2019).
 Advised: Amanda Vibert
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "ADA Accessibility on Academic Library Websites at Public Universities," Information and Library Science. (June 2019 - August 2019). Publication: Liu, Y. Q., Bielefield, A., & Beckwith, J. (March 2023). ADA Accessibility at Public University Academic Libraries. College & Research Libraries Journal (C&RL). [Scheduled for publishing]
 Advised: Jennifer Beckwith
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "School Library Media Specialists' Perceived Degree of Effectiveness as an Instructional Partner," Information and Library Science. (June 2019 - August 2019).
 Advised: Stephanie Goldberg
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The right book for everyone: An analysis of the current status of high school library LGBTQ+ collections in Connecticut," Information and Library Science. (June 2019 - August 2019).
 Advised: Victoria Barrette
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Use of Social Networking in Academic Libraries to Promote Student Foot Traffic," Information and Library Science. (January 2019 - May 2019).
 Advised: Frommer Meghan

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Impact of 3D Printing Program on Student Development of 21st-Century Skills," Information and Library Science. (January 2019 - May 2019).
Advised: Laura Hedenberg
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Do libraries have adequate materials and services for the older adult and elderly population?" Information and Library Science. (January 2019 - May 2019).
Advised: Marissa Calabro
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Technicians, Librarians, or Both? Core Competencies of Digital Humanities Librarianship in College and University Libraries," Information and Library Science. (June 2018 - May 2019).
Advised: Matthew Rhoades'

2018

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Investigating Methods and Practices of Radio Archives, Commercial and Non-Profit." Information and Library Science. (September 2018 - February 2019). Publication: Falcone, M., Real, B., & Liu, Y. Q. (2020). Behind the Transmitter: Differences in Archival Practices Between Nonprofit and Commercial Radio Stations. *Journal of Archival Organization*, 17(1-2), 66-94.
Advised: Michael Falcone
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Collection diversity in rural elementary libraries: A case study," Information and Library Science. (September 2018 - January 2019).
Advised: Lauren O'Brien
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Using the AASL Standards Crosswalks to Increase Student Achievement on Smarter Balanced Test," Information and Library Science. (September 2018 - December 2018).
Advised: Amanda Perillo
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The awareness and use of makerspaces in the children's departments of public libraries," Information and Library Science. (September 2018 - December 2018).
Advised: Beth Martin
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Improving Children's Competence as Decision Makers: Contrasting Effects of Collaborative Interaction and Direct Instruction," Information and Library Science. (September 2018 - December 2018).
Advised: Graham Ashleeann

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Diversity in rural elementary library collections: A case study," Information and Library Science. (September 2018 - December 2018).
Advised: Katelyn Radano
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The Importance of Accessibility of Public, School and Tribal Libraries within Native American Communities," Information and Library Science. (September 2018 - December 2018).
Advised: RaeAnne Cordova
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The effects of cutting school library services in New Haven public schools," Information and Library Science. (August 2018 - December 2018).
Advised: Lauren Morris
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "The School Librarian's Potential Role in Supporting School Climate Reform," Information and Library Science. (June 2018 - September 2018).
Advised: Brendan Eckert
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Identifying how elementary school library media specialists implement makerspaces within their library media centers: An analysis of School Library Media Specialist Facebook site posts," Information and Library Science. (June 2018 - September 2018).
Advised: Christine Breen
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Can Curriculum Aligned Makerspace Activities in the School Library Support Student Learning in the Sciences?," Information and Library Science. (January 2018 - September 2018).
Advised: Rebecca Deotte
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Supporting Creativity and Innovation in the Elementary Library Using STEAM," Information and Library Science. (January 2018 - July 2018).
Advised: Karen Pfeffer
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Trends in library services to incarcerated juveniles," Information and Library Science. (January 2018 - June 2018).
Advised: Jean Myles

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Are Connecticut Middle School Libraries Providing Books for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersexed, Asexuality, and Ally Community (LGBTQIA+) Students?," Information and Library Science. (January 2018 - June 2018).
Advised: Nicole Herget
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Do school library collections offer adequate or equitable materials in native languages for students who are English Language Learners (ELL)?," Information and Library Science. (January 2018 - June 2018).
Advised: Stephanie Carvin
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Giving Adolescent Students Audiobook Access: A Survey on Reader Motivations and Attitudes During Silent Sustained Reading," Information and Library Science. (January 2018 - May 2018).
Advised: Kaitlyn Rivera
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Students' Technology Choices And Proficiency At A Connecticut High School," Information and Library Science. (January 2018 - May 2018).
Advised: Marisa Tassinari
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Faculty Awareness and Use of Library Resources and Services at an Urban Connecticut High School," Information and Library Science. (January 2018 - May 2018).
Advised: Mary Martorelli

2015

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Public Library Support of Massive Open Online Courses," Information and Library Science. (September 2015 - June 2017).
Advised: Sarah Gaines
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Assessing I-School Programs For Courses That Prepare Students for Corporate, Academic And Public Librarian Jobs," Information and Library Science. (October 2015 - December 2015).
Advised: Laura Tarkowski
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Are All Mobile Library Services Created Equally?: A Look into Connecticut's Larger Public Libraries," Information and Library Science. (September 2015 - December 2015).
Advised: Erika Carlson

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Library Support is Overdue: The Prevalence of Library Support for MOOCs in Academic and Public Libraries," Information and Library Science. (September 2015 - December 2015).
 Advised: Joaquin Rodriguez
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "What Are the Best Practices of eBook Lending and Downloading Services in Connecticut Public Libraries?," Information and Library Science. (March 2015 - December 2015).
 Advised: Gina DiMatteo
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Researching library terminology, are service language used in Connecticut public library websites easy to comprehend?," Information and Library Science. (January 2015 - December 2015).
 Advised: Juyeon Cho
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Web accessibility and the top United States preparatory school libraries," Information and Library Science. (January 2015 - December 2015).
 Advised: Victoria Waimon
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Is Children's Intellectual Freedom Being Restricted In Connecticut Public Libraries?," Information and Library Science. (January 2013 - December 2015).
 Advised: Jennifer Yantosh
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Social Media Tools in Connecticut High School Media Centers: A Survey on Their Use and Effectiveness," Information and Library Science. (May 2015 - November 2015).
 Advised: Kelly Roman
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Building Bridges: how public libraries are using community partnerships to strengthen their public services," Information and Library Science. (January 2015 - October 2015).
 Advised: Jodi Papazian
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Mobile Librarianship: A Concept Revisited," Information and Library Science. (January 2015 - October 2015).
 Advised: Michael Berube
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Website Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities in the Rural Public Libraries of Connecticut," Information and Library

Science. (January 2015 - October 2015).
Advised: Neil Beilman

- Supervised Master's Special Project, "An Exploratory Study of Service Quality at the Cyrenius H. Booth Library Circulation Desks in Newtown, Connecticut.," Information and Library Science. (September 2012 - October 2015).
Advised: Kimberley Weber
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "Identifying important skills and competencies for recent Master's-level Information and Library Science graduates in entry-level positions at an academic library.," Information and Library Science. (August 2012 - October 2015).
Advised: Michael Riordan
- Supervised Master's Special Project, "A Survey of Urban Public Library Mobile Applications," Information and Library Science. (January 2015 - September 2015).
Advised: Andrew Lindgren-Robertson
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