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Natalia Sucre is the Learning Commons Librarian for The College of New Rochelle's John Cardinal O'Connor Campus in the South Bronx. She earned her M.L.S. from Queens College, CUNY and her Ph.D. in Comparative Literature from Yale University. Before coming to The College of New Rochelle, she gained broad experience in liberal arts education while working as a reference and instruction librarian at Hofstra University and CUNY colleges and as a writing, Spanish language, and literature instructor in the CUNY system, Rutgers University, and Luther College (Iowa). She has published papers and given talks on Latin American 20th Century literature. Currently involved in community-based urban agriculture projects in Brooklyn, she is a member of ALA's Sustainability Round Table. She has remixed Chapter 4: Gather of the open textbook.

Naomi T.L. Toftness is currently the Acting First-Year Librarian at Western Connecticut State University and the Acting Public Services Librarian at Northwestern Connecticut Community College. Her favorite part of her day is when she gets to talk to first-year students about research. When she's not talking about research at a college or a university, she runs a small-scale permaculture farmstead in Harwinton, CT. Her penchant for permaculture has influenced many of her design choices as a librarian.

Julie Turley is the Learning Commons Librarian at The College of New Rochelle's Rosa Parks Campus in Harlem where she teaches a credit-bearing research and information literacy course. Previously, she was a Reference and Instruction Librarian in the City University of New York system. She has a chapter on the rock band Motley Crue in the ABC-CLIO encyclopedia The 100 Greatest Bands of All Time (2015) and has just co-authored a scholarly article arguing for the inclusion of "rock 'n' recovery" memoirs in academic libraries. She has remixed Chapter 5: Evaluate of the open textbook.

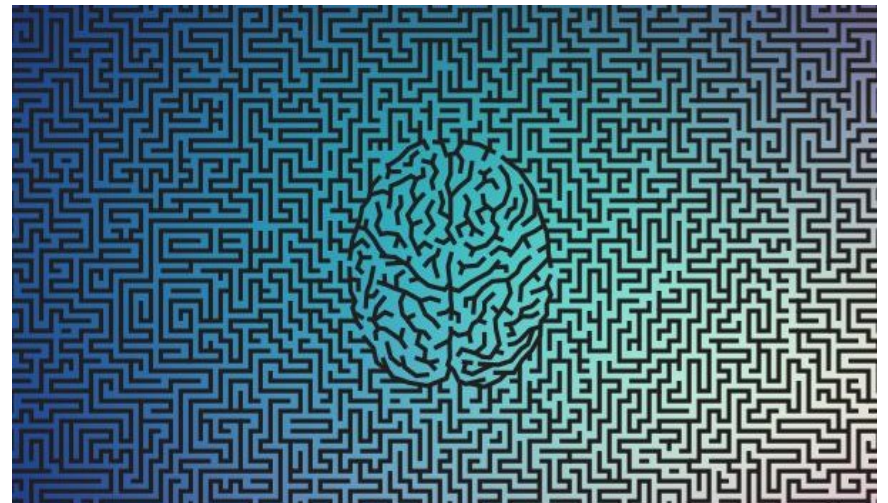
About the Speakers

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. G. Christian Jernstedt is Professor Emeritus of Psychological Brain Sciences at Dartmouth College, Adjunct Professor Emeritus of Community and Family Medicine at the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth, and Director Emeritus of the Center for Educational Outcomes at Dartmouth.

At Dartmouth, Dr. Jernstedt taught introductory psychology and undergraduate courses in learning, evaluation research, the brain and technology, and experimental methods. In the graduate program at Dartmouth, he taught courses in learning theory, teaching methods, philosophy of science, and experimental methodology and supervised Ph.D. students. He received national recognition for his teaching and received both of Dartmouth's awards for distinguished teaching. He received Dartmouth's Robert Fish Memorial Prize, which honors career achievement in teaching and scholarship.

Dr. Jernstedt's research is in the area of learning as it occurs both in formal classroom settings and in natural environments. This research is directed towards understanding the breadth of learning, including its cognitive, behavioral, and affective aspects. He examines what leads to learning, what happens during learning, and what outcomes emerge from the learning experiences. He has examined intentional learning, technologically enhanced learning, service learning, and experiential learning programs.



CONCURRENT SESSION SPEAKERS

Matt Bernstein has been a Reference & Instruction Librarian at Fairfield University's Dimenna-Nyselius Library since the summer of 2015. He holds a Master's Degree in Information Science from SUNY Albany as well as a Bachelor's degree in History from Castleton University. He primarily teaches information literacy courses in the first-year information literacy program at Fairfield University but also teaches heavily in his liaison areas, Nursing and Engineering.

Lusiella Fazzino is Assistant Professor and Scholarly Communications Librarian at The College of New Rochelle's (CNR) Gill Library. She holds a JD from Suffolk University Law School and an MLIS from Simmons College. She has developed the DigitalCommons@CNR, CNR's digital repository. Concerned with open educational resources, open access, licensing and copyright, she advises and educates the CNR community on these issues. She has been the recipient of several professional grants: Computer Services Special Interest Section (CS-SIS), American Association for Law Libraries (AALL) 2015, Southern New England Law Librarians Association (SNELLA) 2015, New Jersey Law Librarians Association (NJLLA) 2014 and the Law Librarians of New England (LLNE) 2014. She has remixed Chapter 7: Present, of the open textbook.

Dr. Yonty (Jonathan) Friesem is the Associate Director at the Media Education Lab & an Assistant Professor of Multimedia Production at the Department of Communication, Central Connecticut State University. He received his PhD from the joint doctoral program in education at the University of Rhode Island and Rhode Island College. Yonty is an award winning educator and filmmaker who advocates for media literacy education. For the past eighteen years, Yonty has worked with a number of youth media organizations, universities, and colleges in Israel. As part of his educational work, advocacy, and research, Yonty has presented at international conferences in Oxford, UK, Turku, Finland, and Guangzhou, China.

Barbara Ghilardi received her Masters degree in Library and Information Science from Simmons College in 2012. She joined the reference & instruction team at Fairfield University's DiMenna-Nyselius library in June of 2015. She assists students from all levels of the university with their research needs with an emphasis in the first-year information literacy program and as the liaison to the Graduate School of Education and Allied Professionals. In her free time, she likes to run, watch classic films, and read historical fiction.

Michael Kahn is the Learning Commons Librarian at The College of New Rochelle's Brooklyn Campus where he presently teaches multiple sections of Research and Information Literacy, a stand-alone credit bearing course required of all students. Prior to that, he taught Information Literacy as an Assistant Professor, Information Literacy at ASA College where he also chaired the LIB100 Curriculum Committee. Michael shared what he has learned from his many years of experience teaching information literacy as a panel member at the ACRL's most recent conference in 2015. He has remixed Chapter 2: Scope and Chapter 3: Plan of the open textbook.

KellyAnne McGuire, Instructional Technology & Collection Development Librarian, Alumni Library, Bard College at Simon's Rock (Great Barrington, MA) has worked in public, high school, and academic libraries, giving her a unique perspective on the information literacy needs of patrons at all ages and levels of education. She has taught information and digital literacy classes at the high school and undergraduate level both in person and online, as well as numerous workshops fostering transliteracy skills.

Jeremiah Mercurio is Senior Reference Librarian & Instruction Coordinator at Fairfield University and previously served as Research & Instruction Librarian and Visiting Assistant Professor of Writing at Haverford College. He holds a Ph.D. in English literature from the University of St Andrews and Master's degrees in library science (Simmons College) and creative writing (Temple University). His research and teaching interests include book studies, fin-de-siècle literature and illustration, critical information literacy, and collaborative librarianship.

Brian Mikesell, Director, Alumni Library, Bard College at Simon's Rock (Great Barrington, MA) has worked in libraries since his first year in college more than 25 years ago. Prior to coming to Simon's Rock, he was Associate University Librarian at the St. John's University Libraries and held positions at New York University's Bobst Library and Indiana University's Lilly Library and Main Library. His teaching experience includes courses taught at graduate and undergraduate levels, both in person and online.