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LEADERSHIP PROFILE

Strategic library leader with more than 23 years of experience in academic libraries and over a decade of administrative leadership within the California State University system. Proven ability to lead organizational change, advance strategic priorities, and strengthen communication, collaboration, and shared governance. Currently serving as Interim Dean, guiding institutional planning, operational improvement, and student-centered service transformation.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Interim Dean, J. Paul Leonard Library (Administrator IV)

San Francisco State University | October 2024-Present

- Lead strategic and operational direction for the Library during a period of institutional transition
- Completed operational and external reviews, translating findings into institutional priorities
- Directed the Library's first comprehensive strategic planning process in over 30 years
- Strengthened communication and shared governance through new leadership structures

Associate University Librarian (Administrator III)

San Francisco State University | 2018-2024

- Provided senior leadership in partnership with the University Librarian
- Oversaw core library divisions; supervised 50+ faculty and staff
- Led organizational planning, policy development, and cross-unit coordination
- Implemented teams-based liaison model and data-informed decision-making systems

Associate Dean, University Library (Administrator III)

California State University, Dominguez Hills (CSUDH) | 2016-2018

- Served as the Dean's primary administrative partner for library operations, personnel, and strategic planning
- Led development of mission, vision, and strategic goals aligned with campus priorities
- Directed hiring of key positions in digital initiatives, UX, and student success
- Strengthened assessment practices and accreditation-related reporting

ACADEMIC LIBRARIAN EXPERIENCE

Head of Reference and Instruction

Reference and Information Literacy Coordinator

Information Literacy Coordinator

California State Polytechnic University, Pomona | 2008-2016

Humanities and E-Learning Librarian

California State University, Sacramento | 2006-2007

Instruction Librarian

University of West Georgia | 2003-2006

EDUCATION

M.A., Library and Information Science

University of Iowa | 2003

M.A., English

University of California, Irvine | 2000

M.A., Women's Studies

San Diego State University | 1998

B.A., Literature

Point Loma Nazarene College | 1994