

**University of Tennessee, Knoxville**  
**Society of American Archivists Student Chapter**  
**Annual Report for Academic Year 2020/2021**

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Officers, Fall 2020:

Chapter President- Julia Proctor  
Vice President- Taylor McPeake  
Secretary- Leah Valletta  
Public Relations- Drew Edwards  
Treasurer- Emily Duggan  
First Year Representative- Jenny Huffman

Officers, Spring 2021:

Chapter President- Jenny Huffman  
Vice President- Drew Edwards  
Secretary- Leah Valletta  
Public Relations- Sarah Stanley

Officers, Fall 2021:

Chapter President- Jenny Huffman  
Vice President- Roger Justus  
Secretary- Joanna Cole  
Public Relations- Karen Beal  
First Year Representative- To be determined

Members:

Alexandra Sabau	Jacob Edwards	Natasha Smith-Washington
Alvin Blount	Jenny Huffman	Nelia Koontz
Andy Sutthoff	Jessica Atkins	Nicole Stephens
Anna Young	Joanna Cole	Okland Scott
Ashley Smith	Joe McGuire	Roger Justus
Catherine Morfas	Johnny Goshen	Sarah Calise
Christina Stitt	Jordan Smith	Sarah Chisholm
Courtney Ferrell	Julia Proctor	Sarah Harrington
Courtney Wombles	Karen Beal	Sarah Stanley
Darnetha Myers	Krystal Miller	Sharon Osofsky
Edward Jones	Landin Lynd	Stephanie Garrett
Elizabeth Katz	Laura Chadwick	Taylor Mcpeake
Emily Duggan	Leah Valletta	Victoria Gilkeson
Emily Schilling	Lisa Curtin	Victoria Ogle
Gillian Ruland	Marla Nordstrom	
Heath Robinson	Morgan Dunwoody	

**Chapter Activities**

August 14, 2020

Julia Proctor, along with the presidents of other University of Tennessee Knoxville School of Information Sciences student organizations, spoke to students at the School of Information Sciences' new student orientation.

August 21, 2020

Officer orientation meeting for new First Year Representative.

September 26, 2020

First event of the semester: Voices Out Loud Project. Hosted guest speaker Donna Braquet, Co-Director of the Voices Out Loud Project, who spoke to her experience with archiving LGBT history in East Tennessee.

October 13, 2020

Officer meeting. Agenda: Event planning for this semester.

October 24, 2020

Second event of the semester: National Archives Through the Ages. Hosted a group discussion about archives and watched videos made available by the National Archives from the 1950s, 1990s, and today where they discuss who the National Archives are and what they do.

November 7, 2020

Third event of the semester: Manuscript Archivist. Hosted guest speaker Laura Romans, Manuscript Archivist at the Betsey B. Creekmore Special Collections and University Archives at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. She spoke about her career and experience working as a manuscript archivist at the University of Tennessee.

November 21, 2020

Fourth event of the semester: Archives Leadership. Hosted guest speaker Jennifer Beals, Director of the Betsey B. Creekmore Special Collections and University Archives at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. She spoke about her career and experience working as the director of special collections and the university archives at the University of Tennessee.

December 1, 2020

First meeting between all School of Information Sciences student organization officers. This meeting included officers of SAA, ALA, SLA, and ASIS&T at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. The result of this meeting includes collaboration of events, cross-club social hours, and creation of a shared calendar to better plan events.

December 2, 2020

First School of Information Sciences cross-club social hour.

January 27, 2021

Officer meeting. Agenda: Amend constitution, location of SAA documents, vacant officer positions, plan open meeting, set standing weekly meetings for officers.

February 10, 2021

Officer meeting. Agenda: Revise constitution, voting via email.

February 16, 2021

New constitution vote via email.

### February 17, 2021

Officer meeting. Agenda: Publish amended constitution, Black Men in LIS panel planning (co-sponsored by ALA), new officers elected via special vote, social media, multi-club calendar, schedule open meeting, Daughters of American Revolution and Genealogy speaker event planning.

### February 24, 2021

First event of the semester: Open Club Meeting. Agenda: Discuss amended constitution, recruit First-Year Representative and Public Relations officers, member introductions, share information about upcoming events.

### March 3, 2021

Officer meeting. Agenda: Create email promoting all SIS events, new Public Relations officer, promote virtual annual meeting of SAA, discuss SAA call for student chapter poster proposals, update member roster.

### March 7, 2021

Officer orientation meeting for new Public Relations officer.

### March 11, 2021

Second event of the semester: DAR and Genealogy. Hosted guest speaker Robin Gregg, a Registrar for the Old Walton Road Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, spoke about her role in helping potential DAR members to prove their lineage and shared helpful genealogy tips.

### March 22, 2021

Officer meeting. Agenda: Work on SAA student chapter poster proposal, due March 31.

### April 5, 2021

Officer meeting. Agenda: Black Men in LIS panel with ALA and SAA set for April 18<sup>th</sup>, recruit officers for next year, create election ballot, update on submitted SAA poster proposal, begin SAA annual report for submission to parent organization.

### April 18, 2021

Third event of the semester: Black Men in LIS Panel. Co-hosted a virtual panel discussion on the experiences of black men in library and information sciences with Kay P Maye and the student chapters of the American Library Association (ALA-UTK) and the Society of American Archivists (SAA-UTK). Featured on the panel were SIS alumni Marcellus Turner, CEO and chief librarian at Charlotte Mecklenberg Library, and Kashif A. Graham, outreach librarian for religion and theology at Vanderbilt Divinity Library; they were joined on the panel by Associate Professor Gerald Holmes, diversity coordinator at University of North Carolina, Greensboro.

### May 1-5, 2021

Officer elections.

### June 3, 2021

Submitted application to the University of Tennessee, Knoxville to renew SAA-UTK as a student organization.