

Student Organization for Unique and Rare Collections Everywhere (SOURCE)

Society of American Archivists (SAA) Student Chapter

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Announcement Structure and Communication

Videos created by SOURCE are posted to our website and YouTube account.

- SOURCE website
 - <https://sites.cominfo.rutgers.edu/source/>
- PaperPeople (SOURCE) listserv:
 - https://email.rutgers.edu/mailman/listinfo/comminfo_paperpeople
- LISSA (Rutgers Library and Information Science Student Association) listserv:
 - https://email.rutgers.edu/mailman/listinfo/comminfo_lissa
- SOURCE Twitter
 - https://twitter.com/Rutgers_SOURCE
- SOURCE YouTube page:
 - https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyd-A6tr65uS_fjh-2uT6tA
- SOURCE Facebook page:
 - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/157111021017849/>

Chapter Activities Summary, Fall 2023 - Spring 2024

Fall 2023

In the fall semester, our executive board consisted of Victoria Bik as President, Jack Bednar as Vice President, and Riain Ross-Hager as Webmaster. Monthly meetings were held on Wednesdays based on board member's availability. Three meetings were held, one in each of October, November and December.

September 2023

September 27, 2023 (Virtual - Executive Board): September did not feature a SOURCE meeting for all members, but the executive board met with Marija Dalbello to discuss plans for the fall semester. The board discussed scheduling monthly meeting times that worked for all members, deciding on Wednesdays. Time was also dedicated to brainstorming ideas for future meetings.

October 2022

October 18, 2023 (Virtual - Monthly Meeting): The first meeting of the semester invited interested students to join and ask questions about the Archives & Preservation track with the executive board. Questions covered topics such as class recommendations, studying tips, job searching, and exhibits/events of interest across the NYC/NJ area. Victoria prepared a list of such events to share with participants.

November 2023

November 15, 2023 (Virtual - Monthly Meeting): This meeting had two guest speakers, Juber Ayala and Jacquelyn Oshman. Representing NJLA and the New Brunswick Public Library respectively, they discussed their careers, offerings by their organizations (internships, mentoring, etc.) and other resources. Students then had the opportunity to take part in a Q&A session with the speakers.

December 2023

December 13, 2023 (Virtual - Monthly Meeting): This meeting featured guest speaker Gilda Santana, the Director of the Architecture Research Center and Art & Art History Librarian at the

University of Miami. She spoke to attendees about the Art Libraries Society of North America (ARLIS/NA), and how to get involved. Attendees were also notified of the upcoming SOURCE board elections, with a form sent in the email invitation and reiterated during the meeting's conclusion.

Spring 2024

During the spring semester, we welcomed Nicholas Muller as President, Hilde Creager as Secretary and Natalie White as Webmaster, with only Jack Bednar returning for the latter half of the academic year. We moved our monthly meetings back to the second Tuesdays of each month, and also came into communication with the SC&I Alumni Association regarding opportunities to collaborate in the future. Four meetings were held, with two in February and one in March and April, respectively.

January 2024

January 9, 2024 (Virtual-Executive Board): January did not feature a SOURCE meeting with all of its members, but the Executive Board did meet to discuss plans for the spring semester. The board agreed to move monthly meetings back to the second Tuesdays of each month and discussed events for the coming months as well as ways to expand SOURCE's outreach.

February 2024

February 13, 2024 (Virtual - Monthly Meeting): Our first meeting of the spring semester was a discussion with the Chair of the SAA's Mentoring Subcommittee, Anastasia Karel. Anastasia talked to students about the Mentoring Program's history, current structure and how Archives & Preservation students can utilize it for career development.

February 27, 2024 (Virtual): Our second meeting of February was a discussion on *bloggERS!*, the blog of the SAA's Electronic Records Section, with James Truitt, a member of the *bloggERS!* Editorial Board. James introduced SOURCE to *bloggERS!*, provided examples of previous blog post submissions and instructed SOURCE students on how to submit their writing on digital archives to be published by the SAA.

March 2024

March 18, 2024 (Virtual - Monthly Meeting): For SOURCE's March 2024 monthly meeting, we hosted Adriana Cuervo, the Director of Special Collections & University Archives, for a presentation and Q&A on the Academy of Certified Archivists' (ACA) Certification Program. Adriana spoke about her experiences as a member of the ACA and how it can benefit students entering the job market and encourage them to stay involved in professional archival associations.

April 2024

April 9, 2024 (Virtual - Monthly Meeting): Our final meeting of the academic year was an alumni panel with the following guests: Annamarie Klose, Metadata Initiatives Librarian at The Ohio State University, Alisa Kraut, Artifact Registrar at the Drexel University's Atwater Kent Collection and Weatherly Stephan, Head of Archival Collections Management at New York University. Annamarie, Alisa and Weatherly spoke to students about how they've applied what they learned in the M.I. program throughout their careers and gave advice on finding work in archives after

graduation. SOURCE also held its elections for the Fall 2024 semester and selected Hilde Creager as President, Gail Lordi as Vice President and Jayashree Vangala as Webmaster.