

St. Catherine University SAA Student Chapter

2019 Annual Report

December 30, 2019

Overview

In its sixth year, the St. Catherine University SAA Student Chapter continued the work of growing the organization by

- Coordinating archives-related events, including panels, tours, and community projects
- Promoting communication between students and local professional organizations
- Providing opportunities for professional development
- Encouraging participation in professional archival events and conferences
- Developing ideas for integration into the wider academic and local communities

The Chapter continues to regularly promote job listings, scholarship opportunities, and local professional events through email, social media, its website, on-campus marketing, and by encouraging its officers and members and MLIS faculty to promote Chapter events in their classes. In addition, the Chapter hosts a social hour at local eateries following monthly meetings, open to all MLIS students, as an informal forum to share experiences and build camaraderie.

In 2019, the Chapter completed work at the Ramsey County Historical Society archives in St. Paul, Minnesota. This project included processing six (6) boxes of materials from the St. Paul Opera and creating digital records for them. This activity allowed the Chapter members to engage with a local archive and provided an opportunity for professional skill development for students at all levels of experience.

Chapter members attended and presented at a number of conferences in 2019:

- Twin Cities Archives Round Table Spring Meeting (Northfield, MN)
- Society of American Archivists Archives*Records 2019 (Austin, TX)
- American Library Association Annual Conference (Washington D.C.)
- International Federation of Library Associations World Library and Information Congress (Athens, Greece)
- Information and Technology Educators of Minnesota Conference (Brooklyn Park, MN)
- Twin Cities Archives Round Table Annual Symposium (Blaine, MN)
 - Cydnee Peterson presented a poster on standards in business archive education
- Midwest Archives Conference Fall Symposium (Fargo, ND)
- St. Catherine University MLIS Summit (St. Paul, MN)

In addition to meeting minutes, more information about the Chapter and its activities can be found at <https://stkatessaa.wordpress.com>.

The Chapter can be further contacted directly by members, students, LIS professionals, and the public via the following means:

Email: saa@stkate.edu

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Membership

Current Officers

President: Ashley Walker (ajwalker764@stkate.edu)¹

Vice President: Rebecca Brown (rkbrown278@stkate.edu)²

Secretary: Daniel (Dan) Sustacek (djsustacek600@stkate.edu)³

Treasurer: Katelyn (Katie) Retterath (kmretterath537@stkate.edu)⁴

Media Relations: Thomas (TJ) Guiney (tjguiney768@stkate.edu)⁵

SGO Liaison: Rachel Farnham (rrfarnham933@stkate.edu)⁶

Faculty Advisor: Molly Hazelton (mdhazelton@stkate.edu)

Incoming Officer

Treasurer: Alyson Glass (akglass@stkate.edu)⁷

Student Members

Emily Ahern

Liz Anderson

Ann Arntson*⁸

Margo Barry*

Laura Bell

Rebecca Brown

Yharnet Browne

¹ Elected May 2019

² Elected May 2019

³ Elected December 2018

⁴ Elected May 2018

⁵ Elected May 2018

⁶ Elected March 2019

⁷ Elected December 2019

⁸ Vice President January-May 2018; President May 2018-May 2019

Laura Chandler
Deb Eschweiler
Rachel Farnham*
Erin Gingrich
Alyson Glass
Thomas (TJ) Guiney
Michele Hagen*
Debra Hager
Alexis HaleyBrown
Joanna Hunt
Kari Jagusch
Kathryn (Katie) Johnson
Marta Johnson
Madeline (Maddie) Kuncio
Aubrey Mullenix*
Louise Nemmers⁹
Karl Nycklemoe
Anna Olson
Kaori Otsubo
Cydnee Peterson*¹⁰
Siri Raasch
Katelyn (Katie) Retterath
Maria (Katie) Savala
Aly Skoglund
Daniel (Dan) Sustacek*
Ashley Walker*
Clare Wedrickas
Sara Williams
Kaitlin (Kait) Wolfe
Jessie Young

*(Students marked with an * are SAA Student Members)*

Faculty Support

Molly Hazelton
Deb Torres¹¹

⁹ Student with the University of St. Thomas Museum Studies program

¹⁰ Vice President May 2018-May 2019

¹¹ Assistant Program Director

Events and Activities

January 2019

- Officer meeting held via Google Hangouts due to cold weather. Conducted preliminary planning for spring semester.

February 2019

- New student orientation was cancelled due to the polar vortex. Instead, Chapter representatives went to the Introduction to Library and Information Science class on February 27th to promote SAA and Chapter events. Seven (7) new students signed up.

March 2019

- New officer Rachel Farnham was elected to serve as Student Governance Organization (SGO) Liaison.
- The Chapter hosted a tour at the Target Corporate archives on March 11th. Eighteen (18) students attended.

April 2019

- The Chapter hosted a tour of the University of Minnesota archives on April 12th. Six (6) students attended.
- An Archivist Meet & Greet Speed Networking event was held on April 27th. This event took place immediately before the Introduction to Archives class and archivists from academic, religious, museum, business, and historical society archives were in attendance. Fifteen (15) students attended.

May 2019

- The Chapter hosted a tour at the Minnesota Vikings archives on May 4th. Five (5) students attended.
- The Chapter hosted a tour at the Minnesota Historical Society archives on May 21st. Eight (8) students attended.
- Officers attended New Student Orientation on May 22nd to promote the SAA Student Chapter.
- The Chapter hosted an end of semester pub trivia event at Insight Brewing on May 28th. This event was cross-advertised with the other student groups. Seven (7) students attended.
- New officers were elected. The new officers are as follows:
 - President: Ashley Walker
 - Vice-President: Rebecca Brown

June 2019

- Officer meeting held to discuss transition on June 28th.

July 2019

- Officers met on July 20th to conduct preliminary planning for fall semester.

August 2019

- The Chapter partnered with the Special Libraries (SLA) group to host a summer social at Sociable Cider Werks. Six (6) students attended.
- Officers attended New Student Orientation on August 24th to promote the SAA Student Chapter.

September 2019

- The Chapter began a new community project with Ramsey County Historical Society. The first four-hour session took place on September 28th. Six (6) students attended.

October 2019

- The Chapter hosted a tour of the General Mills Corporate Archive on October 4th. Ten (10) students attended.
- The Ramsey County Historical Society community project continued. The second four-hour session was held on October 18th. Seven (7) students attended.
- The Chapter hosted a tour of the archive and library at the Minnesota Institute of Art on October 23rd. Eight (8) students attended.

November 2019

- A New Professionals Brown Bag Lunch was held on November 9th. The panel of new professionals was made up of archivists from the Minnesota Vikings, the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, and Target Corporation. Five (5) students attended.
- The Chapter hosted a tour of the Minnesota Public Radio archives. Eight (8) students attended.
- The community project with Ramsey County Historical Society continued. The third 4-hour session was held on November 16th. Five (5) students attended.

December 2019

- The final 4-hour session of the Ramsey County Historical Society community project took place on December 14th. Three (3) students attended.
- New officer Alyson Glass was elected to serve as Treasurer.
- The Chapter hosted an end-of-semester pub trivia night at Dual Citizen Brewing Company on December 17th. Four (4) students attended.