

Society of American Archivists, University of Washington Chapter
Annual Report
2016-2017

Mission

It shall be the purpose of this organization to explore and promote archives and archival preservation under the guidelines put forth by the Society of American Archivists.

Goals and Achievements

Following the work of the previous year's officers, SAA-UW's main goal was to raise awareness of the organization through hosting events, promoting connections, and providing resources. As our MLIS program is increasingly skewed towards online students, we worked to increase our presence online and use social media to connect distance students with resources and opportunities in areas outside of Seattle, while still hosting tours and events on campus.

The incoming officers will continue to connect with residential and online students by engaging students during orientation as well as the iSchool Fair, hosting formal and informal online chats with professors and professionals in the field, continuing the weeding and sorting project with Government Documents librarians at UW (which will be in-person only), and organizing a new event centered around a film from the archives. They will continue to contribute to the student organization's blog and social media accounts.

Programming

September 2016

All iSchool Fair

SAA-UW hosted a table at the All iSchool Fair during orientation week to welcome new students and provide them information about our organization.

October 2016

Welcome Week Scavenger Hunt

SAA-UW organized a scavenger hunt around campus, to help acquaint new iSchool students to campus and the different archives and library branches.

January 2017

SAA-UW Mixer

SAA-UW organized a mixer following the school career fair for students to network and discuss archives and special collections opportunities in Seattle.

February 2017

#ArchivesValentines

SAA-UW held an arts and crafts event to create paper or digital valentines using scanned archival photos and images, participating in the trending social media hashtag.

March 2017

Microsoft Library and Archives Tour

Co-sponsoring with UW's Special Libraries Association chapter, SAA-UW hosted a tour and panel with the librarians at the Microsoft Library and Archives where we discussed dealing with born-digital materials and their unique retrieval needs.

April 2017

Museum of History and Industry Tour

SAA-UW hosted a tour of the MOHAI library and special collections, including their refrigerated vault and extensive photo and ephemera collections. (rescheduled from January)

National Treasure 2

For the third year, SAA-UW hosted an event to help the UW Libraries' Government Documents Librarian Cass Hartnett appraise materials in boxes of government publications received from Seattle Public Library.

Elections

Outgoing officers of 2015-2017:

Co-Chairs: Leah Culpin and Emily Pearson

Distance Liaison: Abigail Pruss

Secretary: Alyson Sharp

Publicity Officer: Marie Andrews

Incoming officers of 2016-2017

Co-Chairs: Marie Andrews and Alyson Sharp

Vice Chair: Ben Riesenberg

Treasurer: Victoria Comer

Distance Liaison: Candice Larson