



Student Chapter of the Society of American Archivists

2015-2016 Annual Report

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Introduction

The 2015-2016 academic year began with big changes for the Student Chapter of the Society of American Archivists (SCSAA) SUNY Albany chapter. Three of the professional organization student chapters decided to combine their interests and efforts under the title of the Information Studies Student Association (ISSA). The two professional organizations along with SCSAA are The Student Chapter of the American Libraries Association (SCALA) and the Student Chapter of the New York Library Association (SCNYLA). Three presidents and vice presidents were elected to represent each professional group, and all three of these presidents agreed to become ISSA co-presidents. Additionally, an ISSA secretary and treasurer were elected to help the three groups work together toward marketing and planning events, utilizing resources and maintaining records. In January of 2016 a webmaster was elected to the board of shared officers to increase all of the student chapters' digital presence.

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Activities and Events

Fall 2015

Students organized a Librarian Panel that took place on November 10th. This interdisciplinary event brought together librarians, archivists, and administrators for a night of questions and answers. The panel of information professionals included Melissa McMullen, Project Archivist from the M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections at the University of Albany and Gertrude Hutchinson, Archivist at the Foundation of New York State Nurses.

The fall book and bake sale took place from November 17th -19th. This year, the traditional book and bake sale was updated with the arrival of a custom button maker. Buyers could create custom buttons for a small donation.

ISSA students organized a food drive for the month of November. Students placed boxes in three areas of the Downtown Campus. The drive was promoted with a flyer designed by one of the student members. All donations were taken to the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York.

Spring 2016

Students organized a resume workshop that took place on April 2nd. Students were encouraged to bring copies of their resumes, curriculum vitae and sample cover letters for critique. A local archivist was in attendance among several other academic and public librarians.

The spring “Book, Bake and Button Sale that took place from April 11th -13th, student members contributed books and dessert donations. The first day of the sale took place at the University at Albany’s ASIS&T student chapter’s Open Source Festival.

Throughout the semester, guest speakers attended meetings and hosted special meetings on the alternative weeks when the student association did not meet. These guest lecturers spoke about academic libraries and copyright, grant writing, and young adult literature.

The spring semester concluded with a celebration at Camp Dippikill. Student members were invited to camp for the weekend and celebrate the end of the academic year with a barbeque. Camp Dippikill is a private 850-acre wilderness retreat owned by the Student Association of the University at Albany.

Social Media Statistics Spring 2015 – Spring 2016

HowtoLibrarySchool.wordpress.com visitors to site 318

Facebook SCSAA page likes 86

Twitter followers 38