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EDUCATION:

2011, Master of Library and Information Science

University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee (online)
Metadata & Information Architecture

2008, Bachelor of Arts

University of Minnesota – Twin Cities
German Studies, Global Studies, Cultural Studies, Cinema & Media Studies

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Consulting + Outreach Lead

March 2019 – current
University of California, Berkeley

- Leading the Berkeley Research Computing and Research Data Management consulting programs in order to provide researchers with a holistic approach to data and computation to advance their research.
- Facilitating and growing the Research IT community, partnerships, and outreach programs. This includes across campus, the UC campuses, as well as to national and international initiatives and organizations.
- Hiring and managing staff, graduate students, and undergraduate students in the areas of consulting, instruction, documentation, and outreach.

Research Data Management Program Manager

September 2017 – March 2019
University of California, Berkeley

- Worked across the Library and Research IT to provide Research Data Management services across the research lifecycle in order to disseminate and preserve scholarship.
- Led multi-departmental teams and responsible for Research Data Management and Research Computing consulting and training on a wide range of data-related activities and services.
- Served as campus resource on local, national, and international research data issues by providing instruction and research consultations to researchers and campus leaders.

- Collaborated with campus stakeholders including academic departments, campus administrators, campus IT, library staff, and the California Digital Library to develop educational materials, deploy technologies, and provide direct assistance to UC Berkeley scholars on a broad range of topics related to research data.

Research Data Curation Librarian

Associate Librarian (*tenured faculty position*)

August 2015 – August 2017

University of Michigan

- Worked with researchers across disciplines to identify, recruit, and deposit data in Deep Blue Data, the Library's data repository. Applied local policies, national and international standards, and best practices in research data management and data curation.
- Consulted with and collaborated with researchers at all stages of the research lifecycle including data management planning, discovery and access, organization, metadata and documentation, sharing and publication, and preservation.
- Led the Deep Blue Data and Research Data Services communications efforts, including writing the charge, recruiting partners, designing and implementing multiple communications campaigns, setting goals, and managing the group's work.
- Trained Library staff on Research Data Services and collaborating with librarians in outreach to their departments. Creating resources, documentation and instructional content about research data management and data curation.

Research Services & Plant Sciences Librarian

Assistant Librarian (*tenure track position*)

January 2014 – July 2015

University of Minnesota

- Coordinated research data management services, including training researchers and librarians in data management, curation, and funder mandates.
- Developed in-person and online workshops, an online course, and hands-on clinic.
- Worked with researchers to curate and deposit data in the institutional repository.
- Served as liaison librarian for the departments of Plant Biology, Plant Pathology, and Agronomy & Plant Genetics. This included engaging with students and researchers as well as managing the collections.
- Led the communications for Experts@Minnesota, the research networking and expertise system. Worked closely on data-intensive projects involving API work, data mining, visualization, and assessment.

Library Assistant, Physical Sciences & Engineering

January 2012 – 2014

University of Minnesota

- Provided in-person and electronic instruction and research consultations to STEM students, staff, and faculty.
- Taught and developed workshops in the areas of data and information management.
- Developed processes, evaluated user needs, and created training materials for the library's institutional repository.
- Designed and maintained a variety of web, electronic and print resources, including screencasts, learning objects, and digital publications.
- Co-launched the personal archiving initiative, developing and delivering online and in-person training materials and serving as the Google Analytics expert.
- Contributed to the Digital Humanities working group, University Libraries Personal Information Management group, and the University Libraries Communications Corps.

HONORS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS:

Chancellor's Outstanding Staff Award (2023), among the highest honors bestowed upon staff by the Chancellor, presented to individual staff members and teams who demonstrate exceptional initiative to create significant positive impact on the UC Berkeley campus community.

Larry L. Sautter Award for Innovation in Information Technology (2021) for Secure Research Data and Compute Platform and Service.

University of Minnesota International Travel Grant (2014) from the Global Programs & Strategy Alliance to attend the Digital Humanities 2014 conference in Lausanne, Switzerland, \$1,500.

University of Minnesota Friends of the Libraries Travel Grant (2014) to attend the Digital Humanities 2014 conference in Lausanne, Switzerland, \$1,000.

Rovelstad Scholarship in International Librarianship (2010) from the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) to attend the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) annual conference in Gothenburg, Sweden, \$2,500.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS:

Sackmann, A., Neeser, A., Teplitzky, S., Glusker, A., & Smith, E. (2022). [Expanding research data management to UC Berkeley researchers: a targeted approach to outreach and instruction](#). In J. Bauder (Eds.), *Teaching Research Data Management* (pp.177-192). ALA Editions.

Christopher, J.; Fernsler, K.; Hoffman, C.; Locanas, J.; Lutz, K.; Neeser, A., et al. (2022). [Corralling sensitive data in the Wild West: supporting research with highly sensitive data](#). *Proceedings of the Practice and Experience in Advanced Research Computing*, No. 48.

Thielen, J. and Neeser, A. (2020). [Making Job Postings More Equitable: Evidence Based Recommendations from an Analysis of Data Professionals Job Postings Between 2013-2018](#). *Evidence Based Librarianship and Information Practices*, Vol 15 No 3.

Thielen, J. and Neeser, A. (2019). [How You can Write More Inclusive Data Practitioner Job Postings](#). *Journal of eScience Librarianship*, Vol 8, No 2.

Koshoffer, A., Neeser, A.E., Newman, L., Johnston, L.R. (2018). [Giving Datasets Context: A Comparison Study of Institutional Repositories That Apply Varying Degrees of Curation](#). *International Journal of Digital Curation*, Vol 13, No 1.

Christopher et al. (2018). [Research Facilitation on a Budget](#). *Proceedings of the Practice and Experience in Advanced Research Computing*, No. 72.

Farrell, S. L., Neeser, A. E., & Bishoff, C. (2017). [Academic Uses of Video Games: A Qualitative Assessment of Research and Teaching Needs at a Large Research University](#). *College & Research Libraries*, Vol 78, No. 5.

Bishoff, C., Neeser, A. E., and Farrell, S. L. (2015). [Outreach, Collaboration, Collegiality: Evolving Approaches to Library Video Game Services](#). *Journal of Library Innovation*, Vol 6, No. 1.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS:

Invited keynote, Practice and Experience in Advanced Research Computing, July 2024.

Invited keynote, Research Data Access and Preservation Summit 2023.

Invited speaker on IDEA: Improving Data Engagement and Advocacy podcast (2022). [A Targeted Approach to Outreach and Instruction at UC Berkeley](#).

Invited speaker on [The Librarian Linkover podcast](#) (2022).

Neeser, A., Sackmann, A., Harp, M., Anderson, J. (2020 March) "An interdisciplinary approach to research data and computation" Research Data Access and Preservation Summit, virtual.

Neeser, A., Mizumoto, C. (2019 July) "The Landscape of Regional and National Research IT Organizations" UC Tech, Santa Barbara, CA.

Neeser, A., Sackmann, A., Masover, S. (2019 July) "Working Across the UC Campuses to Understand How Researchers Use Virtual Machine and Container Images" UC Tech, Santa Barbara, CA.

Neeser, A., Thielen, J. (2019 May) "Advocating for Change: Understanding the Landscape of Academic Data Professionals" Research Data Access and Preservation Summit, Miami, FL.

Koshoffer, A. and Neeser, A.E. (2018 February) "Giving Datasets Context: A Comparison Study of Institutional Repositories That Apply Varying Degrees of Curation" International Digital Curation Conference, Barcelona, Spain.

Ensberg, V., Lin, E., Neeser, A., Yoo, H.J. (2018 February) "Demystifying Data Curation" University of California Digital Library Forum, Riverside, CA.

Neeser, A., Newman, L. (2017 June) "Does Curation Impact the Quality of Metadata in Data Repositories?" Open Repositories, Brisbane, Australia.

Neeser, A., Ottaviani, J. (2017 June) "Curating, But Still Not Mediating" Open Repositories, Brisbane, Australia.

Neeser, A., Carlson, J. (2016 November) "Building a Village: Developing a Library-Wide Research Data Services Program" DLF Forum. Milwaukee, WI.

Neeser, A., Ottaviani, J. (2016 June) "Stop Mediating Data Deposits!" Open Repositories, Dublin, Ireland.

Neeser, A., McCready, K. (2015 March) "Exploring Where the Library Fits in the Landscape of Research Information Management." Association of College and Research Libraries, Portland, OR.

Neeser, A.E., Kempf, J., Hendrickson, L. (2014 April) "Personal Archiving as a Gateway to Information Literacy." Personal Digital Archiving, Indianapolis, IN.

Neeser, A.E. (2013 June) "Personal Archiving: Helping Users Manage Digital Materials for Long-term Access." American Library Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.

SELECTED POSTERS:

Neeser, A., Sackmann, A., Masover, S. (July 2019) "Navigating an Ocean of Computational Environments: Understanding Researcher Needs in Selecting and Building Virtual Machine and Container Images." *Practice and Experience in Advanced Research Computing*, Chicago, IL.

Conte, M., Frederickson, L, Neeser, A. (May 2017) "[Implementing an Institutional Repository for Sharing, Archiving, and Accessing Research Data.](#)" *Medical Library Association*, Seattle, WA.

Neeser, A. (May 2016) "[Expanding Research Data Services with Deep Blue Data.](#)" *Research Access and Preservation (RDAP) Summit*, Atlanta, GA.

Neeser, A., Farrell, S., Bakker, C. (April 2015) "[Exploring Disciplinary Differences in Data Management Practices.](#)" *Research Access and Preservation (RDAP) Summit*, Minneapolis, MN.

Neeser, A., Schell, J., Braun, S., Lafferty, M. (2014 October) "[Expanding Conventional Collection Boundaries Through Visualization.](#)" *Digital Library Federation Forum*, Atlanta, GA. Poster was voted best at the forum.

SELECTED WORKSHOPS:

Neeser et al. (2019 July) "Supporting Computational and Data-intensive Research through Research Computing and Library Collaboration" Practice and Experience in Advanced Research Computing, virtual.

Morrell et al. (2018 July) "Library and Research Computing Efforts and Tools to Improve Data Sharing and Archiving" Practice and Experience in Advanced Research Computing, Pittsburgh, PA.

Neeser, A. (2016, November) "Metadata in Research Data Management." Research Data Management: a window to visualization, metadata, storage options, sharing/reuse, Columbus, OH

Neeser, A., Hswe, P., Ramsey, E. (October 2016) "Hands on Service Management." Hydra Connect, Boston, MA

Neeser, A. (2016 May) "DIY Pop-Up Personal Digital Archiving Clinic." Personal Digital Archiving Conference, Ann Arbor, MI

Neeser, A., McCready, K. (2015 April) "Dive Into the Sea of Research Information Management." Advancing Research Communication & Scholarship, Philadelphia, PA

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION:

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| 2021 – present: | Advisory Committee, Campus Research Computing Consortium |
| 2019 – 2021: | Steering committee member, Campus Research Computing Consortium Researcher-Facing Track |
| 2019 – 2021: | Reviewer, Practice and Experience in Advanced Research Computing Conference |
| 2018 – 2021: | Member, Elsevier Research Data Management International Advisory Board |
| 2020 – 2021: | Chair, Research Data Access and Preservation Membership Committee |
| 2017 – 2019: | President and Past President, Research Data Access & Preservation Association |
| 2017 – 2019: | Chair & Co-Chair, University of California Data Curation Common Knowledge Group |

- 2019 – 2020: Reviewer, Women in High Performance Computing Fellowships
- 2014 – 2018: Selection committee for the Council on Library and Information Resources Rovelstad Scholarship
- 2016 – 2017: Committee member, 2017 Research Data Access & Preservation Summit
- 2015 – 2017: Founding member, Love Your Data Week planning committee
- 2015 – 2016: Chair, 2016 Midwest Data Librarian Symposium
- 2014 – 2016: Committee member, American Library Association Library Information Technology Association Publication Committee
- 2014 – 2015: Committee member, Association of College & Research Libraries Science and Technology Section's Assessment Committee
- 2014 – 2015: Committee member, Association of College and Research Libraries 75th Anniversary Celebration and President's Program
- 2012 – 2013: Chair, American Library Association New Member Round Table Web Committee
- 2011 – 2012: Committee member, American Library Association New Member Round Table Web Committee
- 2010 – 2011: Committee member, American Library Association Content Management Task Force to oversee site-wide migration to Drupal

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

- Dec 2024: Cyber Ambassador certificate (communication, teamwork & leadership)
- Dec 2020: UC Berkeley Multicultural Education Program certificate
- Apr 2020: Extreme Science and Engineering Discovery Environment (XSEDE) Big Data on high performance computing workshop
- Jan 2020: University of California Managing Implicit Bias certificate
- Jan 2020: UC Berkeley People Management Grow Today certificate
- Dec 2019: Completed Lead From Where You Are MOR Associates IT Leadership Program

May 2016: Data Carpentry training: Open Refine, R, and SQL

Aug 2015: Software Carpentry training: Bash, MySQL, R, and Git

May 2015: Software Carpentry training: Open Refine, SQLite, and R

Jul 2014: Sound and Moving Images in Focus Alliance of Digital Humanities Organizations

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT:

- 10+ years of experience with various forms of yoga including Vinyasa, Hatha, Yin, Kundalini, Bikram, and restorative
- 8+ years of experience with boxing, and kickboxing, trained primarily at TITLE Boxing through individual and group instruction
- 10+ years of experience with martial arts including Muay Thai, karate, tai chi, qigong, kung fu, MMA, and self-defense
- Languages: German (fluent in speaking and writing) and Turkish (currently learning)

Curriculum Vitae last updated: Nov 2024