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Fact Sheet: The Publications Office Founded 1949

Mission:

The Publications Office supports the mission of the Graduate School of Library and Information Science by producing a variety of scholarly and practical publications for LIS professionals around the globe.

Services:

Drawing on 50 years as non-profit publishing specialists, The Publications Office produces subject-specific publications that address current issues and also serve as historical archives. The unit provides editorial and publishing services for members of GSLIS and the LIS field at large, as well as varied communications programs for the School, including maintenance of the GSLIS Web site, media relations, and alumni and admission communications. Graduate student assistants hone research, editing, and order fulfillment skills, gaining additional perspective on the multidisciplinary nature of the LIS field.

Publications:

Library Trends, issued quarterly and edited by Professor Emeritus F. W. Lancaster, explores critical trends in professional librarianship, including practical applications, thorough analyses, and literature reviews.

Books—varied titles, including Untold Stories: Civil Rights, Libraries, and Black Librarians edited by John Mark Tucker (1998), Indexing and Abstracting in Theory and Practice, 2d ed., by F. W. Lancaster (1998), and Technology and Management in Library and Information Science by F. W. Lancaster and Beth Sandore (1997).

Monographs and collected essays—such as Music Publishing and Collecting: Essays in Honor of Donald W. Krummel.

Conference proceedings—from the annual Clinic on Library Applications of Data Processing and the Allerton Park Institute, each organized around a general theme and featuring speakers recognized as experts in their subject areas.

Occasional Papers—a series accommodating varied aspects of librarianship and consisting of scholarly papers generally of specialized or contemporary interest, or too detailed for publication in a periodical.

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