

## ALA Student Chapter Meeting

Tuesday, April 14, 2009  
4:30-5:30 p.m.

### “Marketing & Grant Writing: Partners for Increasing Resources in Tough Times”

Join us to learn about grant writing from our own expert in the field, Dr. Christine Koontz. She will be providing useful tips and examples on how to write a successful grant proposal. We will also be hosting an end of the semester/ graduation celebration.

*Visit us in person at the Goldstein Library, or view the webcast any time from our **Blackboard** site. Have a question during the meeting?*

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## Meet Your Professors!

Many of our Chapters members are distance learners and do not have the privilege of getting to know the College of Information faculty personally. As a way for our members, both local and distance, to get to know the faculty better we are featuring brief bios of the faculty in our newsletter. In this issue we are featuring Dr. Lynn Hinnant and Dr. Chris Hinnant, both new to the College of Information family.

### Dr. Lynn Hinnant

1) A little bit about myself:

I am currently an Assistant in Information Studies at the College of Information, as well as a Senior Research Associate with the Information Use Management & Policy Institute. I am also a musician by avocation and I enjoy gardening.



2) My Background:

Academically, I come out of the Maxwell School at Syracuse University with a Master in Public Administration and a Ph.D. in Social Science. Professionally, my background is in management, within the fields of hospitality and student affairs. My teaching/research interests include: leadership, civic society and conflict management, as well as the development of social science research methodologies.

3) What I teach:

I am currently teaching Management of Information Organizations. We are also developing a course to assist librarians in becoming better advocates for libraries within the realm of public administration; a skill we deem to be critical in the current political/economic environment and one that will more than likely remain so for some time to come.

4) What I've liked most so far about FSU and the College of Information:

Everyone at the College of Information has been incredibly welcoming, which is wonderful when you're new to an area. The faculty represents a large spectrum of diverse interests, making CI an invigorating place to both teach and do research.

Originally hailing from Upstate New York, I imagined moving to Florida would mean moving to a topography similar to central/south Florida: bright and sandy, wide open expanses. You can imagine my surprise when we arrived in Tallahassee for the first time and saw all these beautiful trees!

# Celebrate National Library Week

## April 12-18, 2009

National Library Week was created to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians: academic, public, school, and special. This year's theme is "Worlds connect @ your library." To learn more about how you can participate, check out ALA's official National Library Week: <http://www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/offices/pio/natlibraryweek/nlw.cfm>

### *Deadlines*

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- April 1** SLA P&HT travel awards  
Details: [http://units.sla.org/division/dpht/division\\_info/awards-travwin.shtml](http://units.sla.org/division/dpht/division_info/awards-travwin.shtml)
- April 16** FLA Annual Conference  
Details: [http://www.flalib.org/conference\\_2009.php](http://www.flalib.org/conference_2009.php)



### *College of Information and Communication to Merge!*

It's official! The College of Information and the College of Communications are moving forward with their plans to merge the two colleges. According to Dean Dennis, the process should be completed by April 10, 2009. To learn more check out the Dean's blog at <http://ldennis.ispace.ci.fsu.edu/cidean/>



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY  
College of Communication

### *Upcoming Events*

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- April 2** *Real-IT Bytes: An open source with College of Information IT alumni*  
2-3 pm @ Goldstein Library
- April 11** *Feed Your Brain III*  
11-2:30 pm in the Shores Building
- April 18** *AITP Game Day*  
1-5 pm @ Goldstein Library  
Free Event!
- April 20-22** *Society of Florida Archivists Annual Meeting*  
Gainesville, FL
- April 28** *Library & Education Expo*  
9-1 pm Oglesby Union Ballroom  
To learn more check out: <http://www.career.fsu.edu/expos/education/>

# Meet Your Professors

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## Dr. Chris Hinnant

1) A little bit about myself:

I am an Assistant Professor of Information Studies and Assistant Director of the Information Use Management and Policy Institute.

I enjoy ACC sports...especially basketball. I grew up in North Carolina where I was brought up to be a big N.C. State fan. I also follow Syracuse basketball when possible.



2) My Background:

I have a Ph.D. in Public Administration from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University. My Masters in Public Administration (MPA) and my bachelors is from N.C. State University.

Most recently, I was a Fellow and Assistant Director in the IT Team at the U.S. Government Accountability Office in Washington, D.C. My research interests include social and organizational informatics, digital government, information management and policy, public management, social science research methods, and applied statistics. I am particularly interested in how public organizations employ Information and Communication Technology (ICT) to alter organizational processes and structures and how the use of ICT ultimately impacts institutional governance mechanisms. I am also very interested in state and federal information policy.

3) What I teach:

Currently, I am teaching LIS 5271 Research Methods for Information Studies.

4) What I've liked most so far about FSU and the College of Information:

The people at the College of Information have been great. Everyone has done their best to make the transition to FSU work out well. The faculty have a broad set of interests and all bring important perspectives to their respective research and teaching duties. The students all seemed very engaged in both their coursework and research activities. I've enjoyed Tallahassee quite a bit.

## Join the CI ALA Chapter!

- Sign into Blackboard
- Click the Organizations tab
- In the Organization Catalog link on the right hand side, click Student Organization / Other
- In the Name - Contains field, enter ALA Student Chapter
- The ALA Student Chapter should come up as a search result
- Click Enroll

*Congratulations!*

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**Goldstein Spring Semester Hours, Jan. 4-May:**

Mon-Thurs: 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.  
Fri: 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Sat: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.  
Sun: 1-10 p.m.

*Newsletter items and ideas are welcome! Please e-mail Karen Doster, [kcd04d@fsu.edu](mailto:kcd04d@fsu.edu)*

