Message from Jessica Koos, Interim Head of the Health Sciences Library

Dear Readers-

The weather is getting warmer, and summer is just around the corner!

We have had a busy semester at the Health Sciences Library. We welcomed a new staff member Joan Delgado, Instructional Support Associate, as noted below. The Health Sciences Librarians have taught several workshops, hosted multiple successful events, and of course, provided numerous research consultations. Our wonderful work study students have been assisting with special projects, event planning, and assisting our patrons.

In March, medical students participated in “Match Day,” a very suspenseful event in which they discover where they will be continuing their education, either in residencies or fellowships. Congratulations to all who successfully matched! We look forward to continuing to serve those of you remaining at Stony Brook, and best wishes to those who will be moving on.

With the semester coming to a close soon, we are now in conference season. Many of our librarians will be attending both national and international conferences in order to further our education and present research findings. The premier event for our profession is the Medical Library Association Annual Conference, which is taking place in May in Portland, Oregon this year. This event has been long anticipated, as it was originally planned for 2020, but was canceled due to health concerns.

Wherever your summer plans take you, whether vacationing or working hard at your studies, be sure to take time for yourself, and be well.

Sincerely,
Jessica Koos, MLS, MSEd, AHIP

General Updates

Staff Update

- Stony Brook University Libraries welcomes Joan (pronounced Joe-on) Delgado (1st picture). Joan is an Instructional Support Associate at the Health Sciences Library. Joan has been with Softheon as a Senior Client Operations Analyst for the past 2 years and is a graduate Research Assistant for the University of North Carolina. Joan holds a bachelor’s degree in communication from the CUNY School of Professional Studies and is currently working on obtaining his MLIS from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

- Health Sciences Librarian Laurel Scheinfeld (2nd picture) has successfully completed all of the necessary activities to obtain a Level II Systematic Review Services Specialization (SRSS) certificate from the Medical Library Association. Earning the SRSS demonstrates Laurel’s use of a range of information retrieval and management knowledge and skills to support researchers.

- Health Sciences Librarian Sunny Chung (3rd picture) has been chosen to join the upcoming cohort of the Medical Library Association’s Rising Stars. This initiative is designed to equip emerging librarians with the skills and knowledge necessary for future leadership roles within the association.
Student Spotlight

Student assistant Jay Chan shines bright. Jay has been with Stony Brook University Libraries since August of 2023. She warmly welcomes all to the Health Sciences Library and is always willing to help by answering questions, checking out items, and providing supplies to patrons. In a short time Jay was able to navigate her way around the library and picked up all the intricacies of the service desk.

From New York City, Jay is a freshman majoring in biology with a specialization in quantitative biology and bioinformatics. She plans on minoring in computer science and possibly pursuing a master’s degree in bioinformatics. Jay has a big interest in genetics and DNA. Some of her hobbies include crocheting, drawing, and gaming.

Thank you, Jay for all you do for Stony Brook University Libraries.

May Events

- **Feeling Well with HSL: Yoga**
  5/06/2024 @ 12:00-12:30 PM
  HSC 3-171
  Please bring your yoga mat!

- **Cookies for Finals**
  5/08/2024 @ 7:00 PM
  Health Sciences Library
  Free cookies!

- **Pet Away Life Stress (in collaboration with CAPS)**
  5/13/2024 @ 12:00-2:00 PM
  Health Science Library

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The combined language of words and pictures that is the comic medium gives approachability and emotional impact to these personal stories, and even to the clinical data they sometimes include. (NNLM)”

Check out these new ebooks available through an NNLM Collection Equity Grant. The Graphic Medicine guide includes information on how to use graphic medicine books in your class, ebooks, print books, online resources, and blog/zines.
Publications
- Scheinfeld, L. & Chung, S. Medline citation tool accuracy: An analysis in two platforms. *Journal of the Medical Library Association* (accepted manuscript)

Presentations
- Huang, M., (2024, April 5). *Collaborating for Success: Celebrating 10 Years of Global Library Initiatives at Stony Brook University* [Conference Session] Chinese American Librarians Association Northeast Chapter Meeting, In-person, Bobst Library, NYU, Manhattan, New York.
- Saragossi, J. (2024, March 8). Leveraging the Academic Library’s Neutrality to Further Medical Humanities. NeMLA. Boston, MA

Resource Highlight

**VisualDx**

VisualDx is a clinical decision support tool. It is the leading skin of color atlas. It has over 22,000 medical images presenting 1,200 conditions. The system will build a custom differential diagnosis for the clinical staff as they enter specific findings about the patient (patient age, sex, findings, etc).

VisualDx includes medical images, patient handouts, and medication-diagnosis relationships. You may earn CME through VisualDx. It is also available as a mobile app.

VisualDx has a [YouTube channel](#) that includes a medical education series, web tutorials, and a highlight of key features.

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