



# Health Sciences Library Newsletter

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*Message from Jessica Koos, Director, Health Sciences Library*



Dear Readers-

The spring semester is already in full swing, and so are our events!

On March 27th, we welcomed New York Times columnist and Princeton Professor Zeynep

Ufukci to campus, where she delivered a very engaging talk for the annual Antonija Prelec Memorial Lecture. Her lecture, "Everyone is Having the Wrong Nightmares: AI's True Threats" proved to be very engaging.

We are also continuing to expand our partnerships across the university. In April we co-hosted the student art exhibit STEM + A, which was a collaboration between Biomedical Engineering students and Art students to create 3D printed artwork.

In addition, we co-hosted an event with the Origami Club, in which students in the Health Sciences Center were able to create their own origami artwork. There is also currently a work on display that was created by club members.

One of the most exciting campus events is yet to come...graduation! All of us at the Health Sciences Library wish our graduating students the very best in their future endeavors.

Sincerely,

**Jessica Koos, MLS, MEd**

## *Student Spotlight*



**Rafael Santos**

Rafael, a Health Sciences major, is currently exploring career paths in the Clinical program, Radiology and the Physician Assistant program. A sophomore from Puerto Rico who lives in the Bronx, he has been an integral member of the Health Sciences Library (HSL) team since the fall of 2023. Throughout his time with the HSL, he has demonstrated a strong commitment while working to enhance his collaboration, communication and leadership skills, preparing him to succeed in future patient care and team settings. Rafael has gained invaluable hands-on experience as an overnight camp counselor for the Autism Society of North Carolina. He provided personalized care and support for campers on the autism spectrum employing behavioral strategies and visual aids to promote communication. Additionally, Rafael has also made meaningful contributions as a Teacher's Assistant for the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP), supporting students in their academic journey and fostering an inclusive environment. Outside of academics, Rafael enjoys reading, organizing, playing tennis, ice skating, and spending quality time with his family and three dogs. Thank you, Rafael, for your continued dedication and for being such a valuable part of Stony Brook University Libraries.

## *Space Update*

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A new water bottle filling station has been installed in the Health Sciences Library common area. Students requested that filtered water be made available within the library, and we were able to fulfill that request. Clearly it was a much-needed addition, as the total number of bottle-fills is already in the thousands!

Students also requested standing desks for the library as well. There are two standing desks now located in the back of the silent study area.

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## *Recent Faculty Publications & Presentations*

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### Publications

- Guo, Y., Hu, J., Huang, M.B., & Xiong, Y. (2025). An analysis of the practice of user services at Stony Brook University Libraries. *Inside and Outside of Lantai*, 4, 77-80.

### Presentations

- Brackett, A. Jasmin, H., Lane Walden, R., Chung, S. (2025, April 29-May 2) Unleashing Leadership Potential: Leading from Anywhere [Conference Session - Leadership Symposium] Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, In-person. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- Chung, S., Exner, N., Byun, M. (2025, April 29-May 2) Data Dilemma: Evolving Roles and Skills for Medical Librarians [Conference Session - Paper] Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, In-person. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- Murrell, A., Chung, S., Strahan, K., Mokonyama, J. (2025, April 29-May 2) Modern Time Capsule: Shaping the Future and Building a Better Tomorrow [Conference Session- Paper] Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, In-person. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- Chung, S., Scheinfeld, L. Koos, J, Huang, M. B. (2025, April 29-May 2) Bridging the Gap Between Student Needs and Library Services for a Health Sciences Writing Course [Conference Session - Lightning Talk] Medical Library Association Annual Meeting, In-person. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- Chung, S. Scheinfeld, L. Fena, C. Tran, C. Kretz, C., Reisman, M. (2025, May 21-23) Lessons in Cross-Disciplinary Collaboration: Building a Diversified Library Scoping Review Team [Conference Session - Lightning Talk] Empirical Librarians Conference, hybrid. Richmond, VA. <https://osf.io/gsdhc/>
- Chung, S., Murphy, M, Lau, N. (2025, April 11). *Early Career Burnout in Libraries: The Importance of Positive Workplace Practices for Retention*. [Lightning talk]. Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) Northeast Chapter Annual Meeting, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, United States.
- Chung, S. Scheinfeld, L. Fena, C. Tran, C. Kretz, C., Reisman, M. (2025, March 25-26) *Exploring Methods for Assessing Accuracy of APA Style Citations: A Scoping Review* [Conference Session] Empirical Studies in Libraries Summit, virtual.
- Huang, M. B. (2025, April 11). *CALA members participation in Chinese library annual conferences, 2013-2024* [Lightning talk]. Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) Northeast Chapter Annual Meeting, Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ, United States.

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## New Materials

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ENew Artificial Intelligence in the Health Sciences research guide  
<https://guides.library.stonybrook.edu/healthsciencesAI>

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## Events

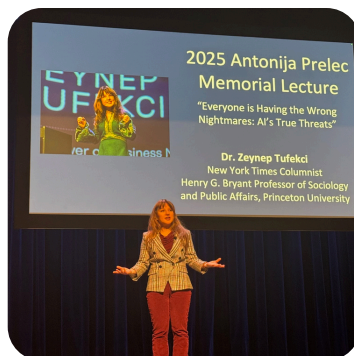
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### 2025 Antonija Prelec Memorial Lecture

The annual Antonija Prelec Memorial Lecture took place in the Wang Center Theater on March 27th, 2025. This event celebrates the life and accomplishments of the founding Director of the Stony Brook University Health Sciences Library, Antonija Prelec. The lecture is open to all, and typically features a high-profile speaker whose expertise is relevant to health sciences librarianship.

This year's speaker was Dr. Zeynep Tufekci, New York Times columnist and Henry G. Bryant Professor of Sociology at Princeton University. Her lecture, "Everyone is Having the Wrong Nightmares: AI's True Threats," highlighted some of the potential issues that may arise from utilizing artificial intelligence, primarily the reliance on large language models to replace essential cognitive processes. She also cautioned against viewing AI as a replacement for human intelligence, whereas it is its own entity unto itself. The lecture was engaging and well-received, with numerous audience members asking thought-provoking questions afterwards.

The Prelec Committee is currently planning next year's lecture, and is in the process of identifying another high impact speaker.



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## Opportunities

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Upcoming employment opportunities can be found on Handshake ([here](#)).

The Library employs both graduate and undergraduate students for federal work-study and student assistant positions. You can view current openings through [Handshake](#). The Library hires throughout the year on a need basis and keeps submitted applications until an opening becomes available. If no openings are listed on [Handshake](#), you can still submit an application for employment.

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