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## EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY	DEGREE	MAJOR
Sam Houston State University	Ed.D.	Educational Leadership, Library Cognate
Texas Woman's University	M.L.S.	Library Science, A.L.A. accredited
Sam Houston State University	36 hours	Texas EC12 School Principal Certification
Sam Houston State University	M.L.S.	Library Science, A.A.S.L. accredited, Texas EC12 School Librarian Certification
Texas A&M University, College Station	B.S.	Curriculum & Instruction, English Composite, Texas Gr.6-12 ELAR Teacher Certification

**Ed.D. Dissertation Title:** Social Capital Experiences of Solo Middle School Librarians at a Public School District in South Texas: A Phenomenological Study

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

EMPLOYER	POSITION	DATE
University of West Georgia, College of Education, EFT	Assistant Professor	2023 - present
University of Houston - Clear Lake	Adjunct Professor	Fall 2017 - present
Harris County Public Library	Branch Manager, Northwest Branch	Spring 2022 - Summer 2023
Eastern New Mexico University, Roswell	Director of Library Services	Spring 2021
Spring Branch ISD, Houston	Director of Library & Media Services	Spring 2017 - Summer 2020

Northside ISD, San Antonio	Lead Library Specialist	Fall 2012 - Spring 2017
Cypress-Fairbanks ISD, Houston	Substitute Assistant Principal & Head Librarian, Arnold Middle School	Summer 2011 - Fall 2012
Cypress-Fairbanks ISD, Houston	Coordinator of Library & Media Services	Summer 2002 - Summer 2011 (position eliminated due to financial crisis)
Heinemann Publishing	Part-Time Curriculum Editor	Spring 1999 - Spring 2001
Cypress-Fairbanks ISD, Houston	Head Librarian; opening day collection, Cypress Springs High School	Spring 1997 - Spring 2002
Houston Community College	Part-Time Academic Librarian, Katy Campus	Spring 1997 - Summer 2002
Cypress-Fairbanks ISD, Houston	Head Librarian, Horne Elementary	Summer 1994 - Spring 1997
Cypress-Fairbanks ISD, Houston	English Teacher, Cypress Creek H.S.	Fall 1990 - Spring 1994

## **PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION**

Texas Standard Principal Certification, EC12; Texas Provisional English Language Arts, Gr.6-12; Texas Provisional Learning Resources Endorsement, PK12.

## **PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATION**

**Spring 2022:** West Georgia Regional Library System, Secret Shopping in all branches for assessing customer service. Laid the foundation for library system's targeted customer service professional development.

## **UNIVERSITY TEACHING**

### **University of West Georgia (2023 - present)**

#### **Fall 2025**

- MEDT 7451 Administration of the School Library Program (online course; enrollment 53)
- MEDT 7452 Multiple Literacies of the School Library Media Center (online course; enrollment 28)

#### **Summer 2025**

- MEDT 7451 Administration of the School Library Media Center (key assessment - online course; enrollment 43)
- MEDT 7452 Multiple Literacies of the School Library Media Center (online course; enrollment 25)

#### **Spring 2025**

- MEDT 7451 Administration of the School Library Media Center (key assessment - online course; enrollment 55)

#### **Fall 2024**

- MEDT 7451 Administration of the School Library Media Center (key assessment - online course; enrollment 31)
- MEDT 7452 Multiple Literacies of the School Library Media Center (online course; enrollment 17)

#### **Summer 2024**

- MEDT 7451 Administration of the School Library Media Center (key assessment - online course; enrollment 47)
- MEDT 7452 Multiple Literacies of the School Library Media Center (online course; enrollment 12)

## Spring 2024

- MEDT 7451 Administration of the School Library Media Center (key assessment - online course; enrollment 38)
- MEDT 7452 Multiple Literacies of the School Library Media Center (online course; enrollment 18)

## Fall 2023

- MEDT 7451 Administration of the School Library Media Center (key assessment - online course; enrollment 50)

## University of Houston – Clear Lake (2017 – present)

**Adjunct Professor:** Teach graduate students fully online, asynchronously, for the Department of Literacy, Library, and Learning Technologies. Courses include: SLIS 6234 Librarians Empowering Learners; SLIS 6136 Librarians as Instructional Partners; SLIS 5532 Selecting Literature and Materials for Young Adults; SLIS 6430 Research in School Libraries; SLIS 6336 Media and Technology Selection Application.

## PUBLICATIONS

**Lilly, J. M.** (under review). Lonely but linked: Solo middle school librarians and the power and potential of social capital. *School Libraries Worldwide*.

**Lilly, J. M.** (under review). From isolation to influence: School librarians and social assets. *Knowledge Quest*.

## PRESENTATIONS

**Lilly, J. M.** (2025, October 21). Enhancing School Librarianship: Leveraging AI for Efficiency and Impact. AECT International Convention. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Thompson, J, Sheneman, L., & **Lilly, J.M.** (2025, June 16). Innovating Together: AI Tools for Transformative School Library Services. [PPT Slides and video]. Georgia Library Media Association Summer Institute. Savannah, GA, United States.

**Lilly, J. M.** (2024, October 26-28). Student satisfaction: User experience in school libraries. [Google Slides]. 2024 IASL Annual Conference. Virtual, United States.

**Lilly, J. M.** (2024, June 3). Connecting as connected connectors. [Google Slides]. Georgia Library Media Association Summer Institute. Peachtree City, GA.

**Lilly, J. M.,** Sheneman, L., & Thompson, J. (2024, May 14). From desks to success: Crafting career connections, authentic assessments, and empowering students' reflections [Google Slides]. Innovations in Pedagogy. Carrollton, GA, United States.

## **INVITED TALKS & PRESENTATIONS**

**Lilly, J. M.** (2024, October 8-11). Reflections as year one faculty at UWG [Teams meeting].  
New Faculty Academy, Carrollton, GA, United States.

## **SERVICE**

### **Service to the Institution: University of West Georgia**

#### **College-Level**

- American Association of School Librarians: Travel Grant Reviewer, 2025
- American Association of School Librarians Committee Appointment: AASL Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) Coordinating Committee, 2025 - 2027
- FDMR (2025 - present)
- Carroll Allied Libraries, 2023 – 2024
- CODIAC (2023-2025)
- Georgia Library Media Association Region 6 Chair for Membership, 2024 - present

#### **Department/Program-Level**

- UWG Edcamp planner, organizer, and facilitator for school library media specialists, 2023-present
- CODIAC: Book Study and Lunch and Learns
- Georgia Library Media Association, 2024 Summer Institute, Recruitment
- School Library Program Lead for MEDT 7451, 2024 - present
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- Cobb InTech & Academics Conference (2025, May 29), Recruitment
- New Hire Academy Mentoring, 2024

#### **Student Advisor**

- Advise graduate students in the school library media certification program, 2024 - present

#### **Search Committees**

- Limited Term Instructor in Instructional Technology, Media, and Design, Spring 2025