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Looking forward, there will be additional renovations to the Himmelfarb Library facility. Mobile device charging stations will be installed on the third floor. More study rooms will be sound proofed over spring break and plans are shaping up to overhaul HVAC capabilities so that the building can remain at a comfortable temperature year round. Be sure to check the [Library's home page](#) for possible closings and alternate study space over summer 2015.

Fun activities are also underway for 2015. As part of our [Healthy Living initiative](#), we are asking students and faculty to tell us how you maintain a healthy lifestyle by submitting photos that show how you exercise, eat nutritiously or relax. Simply post your photos to Instagram or Twitter and add the hashtag **#healthyhimmelfarb** to participate. Full contest details are at [Photo Contest Guidelines](#). During April, Himmelfarb Library will once again host the annual Art Show featuring the creativity of students and faculty in the School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Milken Institute School of Public Health, and School of Nursing. The Library will begin accepting entries for the show on March 9, 2015. Distance education students can participate in the [virtual portion of the art show](#) by submitting entries to the Reference Desk. Everyone, artist or not, is invited to celebrate the work of our colleagues at the Art Show's opening reception on April 2, 2015 from 4 until 5:30 pm!

Stay current with all of Himmelfarb Library's activities through social media. [Sign up](#) to follow us on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook! Have a great spring semester.



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An updated mission statement is now complete:

We support the information needs of the faculty, staff and students of SMHS, GWSPH, and SON by selecting, acquiring, and delivering information and by collaborating, educating, and building community.

The new mission reflects the ongoing traditional role of the academic library to provide the information resources needed by the community, and to educate students and staff in the best methods to find, assess, and organize these resources. It also looks forward to emerging roles that libraries and librarians are playing within the academic community to help produce and promote research, and to provide spaces and support for creativity and collaboration.

A few years back the importance of the library as a physical space was on the decline as print collections were replaced by electronic. But recently, libraries with spaces that allow people to work together, learn and use new technologies like 3-D printers, and build community through outreach programs like Healthy Living @ Himmelfarb, were recognized as valuable assets. At the same time, Himmelfarb needs to continue to build electronic collections and make services available beyond the Foggy Bottom campus as the schools it supports expand globally.

The strategic planning process will continue through the spring 2015 semester. A final plan should be available as part of the Library's 2014/2015 annual report.



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There is an artist in all of us! We are encouraging all our patrons to share their talents and participate in this year's Himmelfarb Art Show. Please join us on April 2nd at our [Art Show Reception](#) when we launch the official first day of the art show with food and refreshments to honor our artists and celebrate their talents.

**When will you begin accepting artwork?**

Monday, March 2, 2015

Where do I go to drop off my artwork?Himmelfarb Library Reference Desk
8:30am-8:00pm**What type of artwork do you accept?**

We accept all types of artwork. (i.e. photography, ceramics, jewelry, paintings, sculptures, crafts...)

Who can submit artwork?

Faculty, students and staff in the School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Milken Institute School of Public Health and School of Nursing.

What is the date of the Opening Reception?

Thursday, April 2, 2015 4:00PM-6:00PM

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- « [Medicine, Conflict & Survival](#)
- « [Molecular Psychiatry](#)
- « [Movement Disorders Clinical Practice](#)
- « [Neurology: Neuroimmunology & Neuroinflammation](#)
- « [Nitric Oxide](#)
- « [Research in Developmental Disabilities](#)

Cancelled Titles [Databases]

- « [BMJ Clinical Evidence](#)
- « [Health and Psychosocial Instruments \(HAPI\)](#)
- « [SMART Imagebase](#)

Cancelled Titles [Journals]

- « [Acta Cytologica](#)
- « [American Journal of Clinical Hypnosis](#)
- « [Evaluations of Drug Interactions \(discontinued by publisher\)](#)
- « [Gynecologic & Obstetric Investigation](#)
- « [Hormone Research in Paediatrics](#)
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- « [Nephron \(Clinical Practice; Physiology; Experimental Nephrology\)](#)
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- « [Annals of Global Health \(formerly Mount Sinai Journal of Medicine\)](#)
- « [Aerospace Medicine & Human Performance \(formerly Aviation Space & Environmental Medicine\)](#)
- « [Health Security \(formerly Biosecurity & Bioterrorism\)](#)
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**How long have you been at Himmelfarb Library/GW and how have your position and responsibilities evolved over the years?**

I started working at GW in 2007. When I began working at Himmelfarb my primary role was instructional, and I mostly interacted with faculty and students by conducting library sessions or being embedded in their courses. Through the years my involvement in supporting research has grown and now I find myself more integrated into providing research support for both students and faculty.

What about your job do you most enjoy?

Research! Whether it is a research paper, dissertation, IRB study or systematic review I absolutely enjoy the process of searching the literature finding the gaps and discovering what has been written on the topic. Give me a challenging research topic and I dig right in and enjoy every step of the way!

What led you to a career as a medical librarian?

Long story.... (This story should really be told over drinks). My background is broadcast journalism and straight after college I worked at both CBS and ABC in NYC. I loved it and enjoyed the excitement and fast pace. When I married and moved to the Scranton, PA area, I focused on starting a family and enjoying time with my husband and two boys. Returning to work I realized I needed to reinvent myself and explore other career opportunities. Library science was a good fit because it demands similar skills in searching for facts, research and delivering information. Through the years I have found many librarians with a journalism background...it is a good fit!

What is your most memorable moment at Himmelfarb?

I have many memorable moments and they always revolve around students taking the initiative to go beyond their academic experience here at GW and take the challenge to participate in a research study. I love it when a student I have helped contacts me to tell me the study they have worked on has been published. It doesn't get better than that!

What do you like to do in your time away from work?

Two places that are heaven-on-earth to me are NYC for the excitement and, to relax, Topsail Island, NC. I am a very proud Jersey girl who grew up outside of NYC and to me it has always been an exciting, magical place. I went there for Christmas this year and had a blast going to China Town, Little Italy and soaking up the electricity of the city. When I want to relax I go with my family to North Carolina's Topsail Island. Topsail is a barrier island near Jacksonville, famous for its sea turtle rescue. We enjoy surfing, fishing, and just

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Tell us a little bit about your current position or research/projects.

In September 2013, Dean Akman asked me to take charge of our curricular revision, in which I currently serve as Interim Assistant Dean for MD Program Curriculum. This past fall, our new Senior Associate Dean for MD Programs, Dr. Richard Simons, asked me to stay in the Dean's office to take leadership of the Pre-Clinical curriculum, and I await my appointment as Assistant Dean for Pre-Clinical Curriculum. There is an active search for an Assistant Dean for Clinical Curriculum who I will be working with, who will hopefully be named by the time this faculty profile is published. In addition to my roles in the Dean's office, I remain course director of our Practice of Medicine III (POM3) course and I also see patients with the Medical Faculty Associates in the Department of Medicine.

**How did you become interested in your field?**

After completing medical school here at GW, I stayed to do a residency in Primary Care/Internal Medicine. Close to my 3rd and final year of residency, I was asked to stay on as Chief Medical Resident, which is a junior faculty appointment. At some point during my time as chief, I was bitten by the academic "bug." I really liked the ability to see patients, teach and do research all at the same time. I also found that the academic environment allowed me to interact with some of the top professionals in their fields, and that the students and residents challenged me to be at my best. While my initial interests were clinical research, I was offered to take over the Primary Care Clerkship soon after joining the faculty full time. I jumped at the opportunity, and found that I really enjoyed working with students as a course director, as well as the challenges of running a successful medical school course. Since then, I have directed a variety of courses and clerkships, all of which prepared me well to lead our curricular revision.

What has been your biggest professional challenge?

The biggest professional challenge is trying to maintain balance while simultaneously not falling behind. One of the joys of academics is wearing multiple hats, but one of the difficulties is trying to juggle all of these responsibilities at the same time.

What has been your most memorable moment at GW?

I have been at GW since I was a medical student, so I fortunately have too many memorable GW moments to count. My oldest memorable moment was hearing then First Lady Hillary Clinton, who had been controversially appointed as "health care czar" by her husband, give one of her very first speeches on health care reform in Ross 101. My most

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recent memorable moment was hearing [Dr. Anthony Fauci](#) speak to our first year medical students at the beginning of our first intersession. Dr. Fauci used his own personal story about his work in HIV to discuss both the history and current challenges of treating AIDS. He integrated basic science, clinical sciences, ethics, public policy and humanities into his talk; which felt (to me) like our entire first semester of the revised curriculum had led up to that very moment.

What library resources or services have you found to be the most useful?

The most useful library resources are the librarians. They are extremely knowledgeable in the right tools to use and how to use them to find information.

Whom do you admire?

There are so many people here at The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences that I admire, and I feel so privileged to call many of them my colleagues and friends. I admire our students who come to GW. They are so eager to learn and to help people, and have accomplished so much already, even before their arrival. If I have to pick one faculty that I admire, it would be [Dr. Frank Slaby](#). As a student I remember Dr. Slaby as one of the students' favorite anatomy teachers. More recently, I have worked with Dr. Slaby in enhancing our curriculum. I am not only impressed by Dr. Slaby's commitment to excellence in education, but also amazed by his willingness to change the way he has taught and organized his courses, even after teaching here at GW for so many years.

How do you spend your free time? (or What do you do to relax?)

I am not sure if I ever get to relax, but any free time I have, I spend with my family. Both of my daughters (Allison, 13; Natalie, 10) are into musical theater, so there is a lot of time spent carpooling to rehearsals and seeing them perform.

What advice would you give to a new faculty member just starting at GW?

Take advantages of all the opportunities GW has to offer. Have a 5 year career plan in mind, but don't be surprised if it veers significantly in a different direction. Almost every job I have held here came as an opportunity and was not necessarily planned in advance.



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Meditation

Every Thursday from 12:30-1:00 pm (Himmelfarb 305H)

Ice Skating at Washington Harbour

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Explore Art Therapy (hands-on session with Professor Tally Tripp)

Feb. 20th from 12-1:00 pm

Annual Basketball Tournament to benefit the Healing Clinic

Feb. 25th from 11-4:00 pm

John Albertson & The GW Gypsy Guitars Concert

March 24th from 11-1:00 pm

And more activities are being planned! Check the [Healthy Living](#) webpage for the latest and to register for designated activities.

Interested in collaborating with us? We are always looking for new faculty partners. If you have an idea for a Healthy Living@Himmelfarb activity, please contact Alexandra Gomes at gomesa@gwu.edu or (202) 994-1825. Focus areas include exercise, stress reduction, and healthy diets.

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