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MLS, University of Alabama, 1987.  
Major: Library Science

BA, University of South Alabama, 1985.  
Major: Communications

Information Services/Outreach Librarian, Associate Librarian, University of South Alabama.  
(March 1, 2016 - Present).

Librarian III (part-time, non-tenured position), University of the Virgin Islands, St. Croix campus.  
(October 1, 2008 - September 30, 2013).

Project Librarian, University of the Virgin Islands, St. Croix campus. (June 1, 2010 - April 30, 2011).

Librarian IV, Florence Williams Public Library. (November 13, 2007 - December 12, 2008).

Head Librarian, St. Joseph High School. (September 2005 - December 2006).

Librarian IV, Tenured Faculty, Instructional Services Coordinator/Reference Librarian, Eastern Washington University. (February 1995 - May 2005).

Reference Librarian, Associate Professor, Tenured Faculty, University of the Pacific. (January 1991 - January 1995).

Assistant Librarian, University of California, Berkeley. (January 1990 - December 1990).

Interlibrary Loan Department Head/Reference Librarian, Assistant Professor, University of the Pacific. (January 1988 - January 1990).

Alabama Virtual Library Task Force Member, Network of Alabama Academic Libraries. (October 2018 - Present).

Advisory Board Committee, Health InfoNet of Alabama. (August 2018 - Present).

Executive Committee, Member at Large, Alabama Health Libraries Association. (2018 - Present).

Member, Medical Library Association. (January 2017 - Present).

Member, Alabama Health Libraries Association. (April 2016 - Present).

Southern Chapter of Medical Library Association. (April 2016 - Present).

Conference Planning Committee Member, Alabama Health Libraries Association. (May 2021 - November 2021).

Database Review Committee, Network of Alabama Academic Libraries. (October 2019).

Member, American Library Association. (1987 - 2016).

Workshop, "LDI Workshop," Studer Education. (December 1, 2023).

Conference Attendance, "Alabama Health Libraries Association Annual Conference," Alabama Health Libraries Association, Birmingham, AL. (November 9, 2023 - November 10, 2023).

Continuing Education Program, "Toolkit for Evaluating AI Tools," Medical Library Association. (November 2, 2023).

Continuing Education Program, "The Future Will See You Now: AI for Healthcare, A Librarian's Perspective," Medical Library Association. (October 18, 2023).

Continuing Education Program, "ClinicalTrials.gov Modernized Website," NLM. (September 26, 2023).

Workshop, "LDI Workshop," Studer Education. (September 15, 2023).

Continuing Education Program, "Introduction to Rayyyan," Rayyan. (September 6, 2023).

Continuing Education Program, "Introducing Systematic Search Practice Sets," University of Michigan, Taubman Health Science Library. (July 27, 2023).

Continuing Education Program, "Anatomy of an Emmi Program: The Craft Behind Patient Engagement," Wolter Kluwers. (July 5, 2023).

Continuing Education Program, "Pubmed Proximity Searching," National Library of Medicine. (March 31, 2023).

Continuing Education Program, "Selecting and Using Data Extraction Tools for Systematic Reviews," Medical Library Association. (March 30, 2023).

Workshop, "LDI Workshop," Studer Education. (March 10, 2023).

Workshop, Studer Education. (November 17, 2022 - November 18, 2022).

Conference Attendance, "Alabama Health Libraries Association Annual Meeting," ALHeLA, Montgomery, AL. (October 21, 2022).

Conference Attendance, "Embrace, Explore, Evolve," Southern Chapter Medical Library Association, Montgomery, AL. (October 19, 2022 - October 21, 2022).

Workshop, Studer Education, Mobile, AL. (August 12, 2022).

Continuing Education Program, "TRS Retirement Seminar," Teacher's Retirement System of Alabama. (June 22, 2022).

Continuing Education Program, "PCI Credit Card Security," USA Human Resources. (May 31, 2022).



Continuing Education Program, "HIV 101," AIDS Education and Training Center Northeast and Caribbean Region. (July 6, 2021).

Continuing Education Program, "Intersectionality: Creating Social Identities," University of South Alabama Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Summer Series. (June 25, 2021).

Continuing Education Program, "All of Us," Med School Cafe!. (April 13, 2021).

Continuing Education Program, "Grey (Literature) Matters," Southern Chapter Medical Library Association. (December 9, 2020).

Continuing Education Program, "Impacts of COVID-19 and the Outlook for an Economic Recovery in 2021--Insights from the OECD," ACRL/Choice. (December 1, 2020).

Continuing Education Program, "Evaluating Information During COVID-19: Preprints, retractions, rumors and more.," Medical Library Association. (November 16, 2020).

Continuing Education Program, "A New PubMed: Highlights for Information Professionals," Medical Library Association. (November 10, 2020).

Continuing Education Program, "Digital Commons," bepress. (October 3, 2020).

Continuing Education Program, "Sick of COVID-19? Listen in for the source on the latest research, drug development and treatments," Springer Nature. (September 29, 2020).

Continuing Education Program, "Fast Medicine and Fallibility: Philosophical Perspectives on the COVID-19 Pandemic," Temple University. (September 25, 2020).

Continuing Education Program, "PubMed Special Queries," Temple University. (September 23, 2020).

Continuing Education Program, "Systematic Reviews: What Are They? Where Are They? What do They Include?," OVID. (September 22, 2020).

Continuing Education Program, "Pharmaceutical Research Sources Availabletifact a



Continuing Education Program, "Teaching Nurses How to Manage Crisis During COVID-19," American Association of Colleges of Medicine. (March 30, 2020).

Course Attended, "Canvas Fundamentals," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, United States. (February 11, 2020).

Conference Attendance, "Alabama Health Libraries Annual Meeting," Alabama Health Libraries Association, Birmingham, AL, United States. (November 7, 2019 - November 8, 2019).

Continuing Education Program, "Caring for the Mind: Providing Mental Health at Your Library," Alabama Health Libraries Association, Birmingham, AL, United States. (November 7, 2019).

Continuing Education Program, "USA Payment Card Industry (PCI) Cybersecurity Training," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, United States. (July 2019).

Continuing Education Program, "An Introduction to Evidence Based Practice: A Librarian's Guide-Appraisal and Application," Medical Library Association, Bethesda. MD. (January 15, 2019).

Continuing Education Program, "An Introduction to Evidence-Based Practice: A Librarian's Guide -Searching," Medical Library Association. (December 12, 2018).

Conference Attendance, "Alabama Health Libraries Association Annual Meeting," Alabama Health Libraries Association, Birmingham, AL, United States. (November 8, 2018 - November 9, 2018).

Continuing Education Program, "Resources for Patrons with Disabilities: In the Library and In the Clinic," Alabama Health Libraries Association, Birmingham, AL, United States. (November 8, 2018).

Continuing Education Program, "Putting the Quality in Qualitative: Tips for Evaluating Qualitative Research," Medical Library Association. (September 13, 2018).

Continuing Education Program, "Critical Appraisal of Quantitative Research," Medical Library Association. (September 5, 2018).

Continuing Education Program, "USA Payment Card (PCI) Cybersecurity Training," University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL, United States. (July 9, 2018).

Conference Attendance, "Medical Library Association Annual Conference," Medical Library Association, Atlanta, GA, United States. (May 19, 2018 - May 23, 2018).

Continuing Education Program, "MeSH Changes and PubMed Searching," Medical Library Association. (January 19, 2018).

Continuing Education Program, "MeSH Highlights," Medical Library Association. (January 5, 2018).

Conference Attendance, "Alabama Health Libraries Association Annual Meeting," Alabama Health Libraries Association, Tuskegee, AL. (November 2, 2017 - November 3, 2017).

Continuing Education Program, "Introduction to Data Visualization," National Network of Libraries of Medicine Southeastern Atlantic Region. (November 2, 2017).

Conference Attendance, "Medical Library Association Annual Conference," Medical Library Association, Seattle, WA. (May 27, 2017 - May 31, 2017).

Continuing Education Program, "Campus SaVE Act," USA Office of Human Resources. (May 8, 2017).

Continuing Education Program, "Mosaic: Prevent Discrimination and Harassment Together," USA Office of Human Resources. (May 8, 2017).

Continuing Education Program, "Finding Grey Literature for Systematic Reviews: Can It Be More Black and White?," Medical Library Association. (March 22, 2017).

Continuing Education Program, "Kernel of Knowledge: Genetics Home Reference," Medical Library Association. (February 22, 2017).

Continuing Education Program, "Best Practices for Building LibGuides.," ACRL-CHOICE. (December 6, 2016).

Conference Attendance, Alabama Health Libraries Association, Orange Beach, AL. (November 3, 2016 - November 4, 2016).

Continuing Education Program, "Activate, Collaborate and Educate: Health Outreach and Programming in Your Community," National Network of Libraries of Medicine, Southeastern Atlantic Region, Orange Beach, AL, United States. (November 3, 2016).

Continuing Education Program, "Grants and Proposal Writing," National Network of Libraries of Medicine, Southeastern Atlantic Region, Orange Beach, AL, United States. (November 3,

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Michael E. DeBakey Library Services Outreach Award, Friends of the National Library of Medicine. (September 10, 2019).

Lemley, L. T., Fenske, R. F. (2020). "Health Science Librarians Supporting Health and Nutrition Education in a Culinary Medicine Curriculum." *Journal of the Medical Library Association*, 108(4), 631-638. <http://jmla.mlanet.org/ojs/jmla/article/view/911>

Fenske, R. F. (2020). "Genetic and Rare Diseases Diagnoses: A Review of Resources for Patients and Health Care Professionals." *Medical Reference Services Quarterly*, 39(3), 254-268. <https://www.tandfonline.com/eprint/6BPIFKUC3QU2SKWBFRPC/full?target=10.1080/02763869.2020.1774264>

Fenske, R. F. (2020). "Validating Effective Interventions in Patient/Family Education Using Tablet Computers." *Journal of Hospital Librarianship*, 20(1), 38-55. <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/15323269.2020.1702842>

Fenske, R. F. (2019). "Tablet Computer Use at the Bedside in a New Patient/Family Education Program." *Journal of Hospital Librarianship/Taylor and Francis*, 19(2), 110-128. [www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/15323269.2019.1586286](http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/15323269.2019.1586286)

Fenske, R. F. (2022). *Rachel Fenske Presents at National Ryan White Conference on HIV Care and Treatment* (4/ Fall 2022 ed., vol. 38). Southern Expressions.

Fenske, R. F. (2022). *USA Biomedical Outreach Librarian and Students Present at the Indiana University National HIV Conference* (June 2022 ed.). USA Newsletter. <https://myemail.constantcontact.com/USA-Libraries-June-2022-Newsletter.html?soid=1131060185991&aid=gt8J5QdeoAE>

Fenske, R. F. (2022). *Breaking the Stigma -Using Podcasts to Initiate Conversation* (May 2022 ed.). USA Libraries Newsletter. [https://myemail.constantcontact.com/USA-Libraries-May-2022-Newsletter.html?soid=1131060185991&aid=\\_KYxzf9SUY](https://myemail.constantcontact.com/USA-Libraries-May-2022-Newsletter.html?soid=1131060185991&aid=_KYxzf9SUY)

Fenske, R. F. (2021). *HIV Peer Educators and Vodcast Series: Ending the HIV Epidemic* (September 2021 ed.). Mobile, AL/ USA Libraries: USA Libraries Newsletter. <https://myemail.constantcontact.com/USA-Libraries-September-2021-Newsletter.html?soid=1131060185991&aid=Lw6ylvcbh8A>

Fenske, R. F. (2020). *"Patient Education Takes on a New Look."* (May 2020 ed., pp. 1). Mobile, Alabama: USA Libraries Newsletter (online). <https://myemail.constantcontact.com/USA-Libraries-May-2020-Newsletter.html?soid=1131060185991&aid=ysxvAshidXA>

Fenske, R. F. (2019). *"Rachel F. Fenske Reflects on Receiving the 2019 Michael E. DeBakey Library Services Outreach Award."* (December 12, 2019 ed.). Chicago, IL: MLA Connect. <https://www.mlanet.org/mlanews>



Fenske, R. F. (2017). *"USA Biomedical Library Receives NNLM Technology Improvement Award."* (111 (Spring 2017) ed.). Mobile, AL: Biofeedback/ USA Biomedical Library. <https://usabiofeedback.blogspot.com/2017/05/bf-111.html>

Fenske, R. F. (2017). *"University of South Alabama Biomedical Library Receives NNLM Technology Improvement Award."* (2 (Spring 2017) ed., vol. 33, pp. 3-4). Southern Expressions/Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association. [https://southernchaptermla.wildapricot.org/resources/southernexpressions/SCMLA\\_Newsletter\\_spring17.pdf](https://southernchaptermla.wildapricot.org/resources/southernexpressions/SCMLA_Newsletter_spring17.pdf)

Fenske, R. F. (2016). *"Collaboration of Librarians and Health Professionals in Outreach Education."* (Fall 2016 ed., vol. 110). Mobile, AL: Biofeedback.

Fenske, R. F. (2016). *"Outreach Activities Throughout the Community."* (Summer 2016 ed., vol. 109). Mobile, AL: Biofeedback.

Fenske, R. F. (2016). *"Meet Rachel Fenske, Our Newest Librarian."* (Spring 2016 ed., vol. 108). Mobile, AL: Biofeedback.

Fenske, R. F. (Author & Presenter), Otts, J. (Author & Presenter), South Alabama Conference on Teach1 (or)-6 aoari.pressions/SCMLA\_NewF12.3 ng1 (or)-6 5ewF1w iovls in Outreach T s(S)2.3 ¶J0.002po3.2



Fenske, R. (Principal), "All of Us Exhibit Award," Sponsored by University of Maryland, Baltimore/  
National Network of Library of Medicine, Federal, \$1,963.00. (May 1, 2019 - April 30, 2020).  
Exhibitor at the Area Agency on Aging, Senior Lifestyles Expo. Oct 3, 2019 at the Greater Gulf  
States Fairground, Mobile, AL. There are over 1,200 seniors who attend this function. Health  
related brochures and information from the National Library of Medicine and the National  
Institutes of Health were distributed to create and an awareness of the rich and freely  
available resources for our elderly communi Nu.1 p91-6.3 (c)F5e3"-1.(ul)3.51.1 (n-3 (v)4.12Sk)-12.3 ( ( f)-13.1





Committee Member, USA Clinical Librarian Search Committee. (April 2023 - Present).

Committee Member, USA Libraries Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Council. (March 2021 - Present).

Committee Member, USA University Libraries Exhibits and Programs Committee. (October 2018 - Present).

Attendee, Meeting, USA Studer Education Leadership Development Institute. (August 2018 - Present).

Committee Member, USA Studer Education Steering Committee. (August 2018 - Present).

Committee Member, USA Biomedical Library NLM Exhibit Planning Committee. (April 2023 - October 31, 2023).

Committee Chair, USA Libraries Strategic Planning Committee. (October 2022 - September 2023).

Committee Member, USA Libraries Promotion and Tenure Committee. (January 2023).

Committee Member, USA Libraries Promotion and Tenure Committee. (September 2022 - January 2023).

Committee Member, USA Instruction Working Group. (May 2018 - June 2019).

Committee Member, USA Reference Working Group. (May 2018 - June 2019).

Committee Member, USA Marx Library Social Science Librarian Search Committee. (August 2017 - November 2017).

Secretary, USA Libraries Forum. (May 2016 - May 2017).

Committee Member, USA University Libraries Committee. (2017 - Present).

Committee Member, USA University Hospital Heart Care Team. (March 2016 - Present).

Committee Chair, USA University Library Committee. (January 2020 - October 2021).

Member at Large, Alabama Health Libraries Association. (October 21, 2018 - Present).

Member, Legacy Leadership Institute, Mobile, AL. (December 2019 - March 2020).

Task Force Member, Mobile United - Health Task Force Committee, Mobile, AL. (May 2016 - March 2020).



Raised Funds, Mobile Yacht Club Charity Regatta. (September 2023 - November 2023).

Raised Funds, American Heart Association. (October 8, 2017).

1st Place Most Educational Exhibit, Area Agency on Aging Senior Lifestyles Expo. (October 3, 2019).

1st Place Most Educational Exhibit, Area Agency on Aging Senior Lifestyles Expo. (November 28, 2018).

1st Place Most Educational Exhibit, Area Agency on Aging Senior Lifestyles Expo. (May 18, 2016).