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Employment

Systems & Digital Initiatives Librarian (October 2024 - Present) University of Colorado Law School, Boulder, Colorado

Technology & Web Services Librarian (September 2020 - September 2024) University of Colorado Law School, Boulder, Colorado

Discovery and Integrated Systems Librarian (July 2016 - August 2020) Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa

Education

Masters of Science, Library and Information Science (2016) Graduate School of Library and Information Science University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois

Bachelors of the Arts, English and Creative Writing (2014) Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio

Publications

Academic

- Ciota, R., & Hardesty, E. (January 2016). "Video Streaming in Academic Libraries: Enabling Participation in a Democratic Society." BOBCATSSS 2016. Lyon, France. January 27-29, 2016. In *BOBCATSSS LYON 2016: Proceedings & Abstracts* (pp. 403-407). Villeurbanne, France: ENSIBB. Peer-edited.
- Knight, R. C., Ciota, R., & Rodrigues, E. (2017). "Collaborating for metadata creation on digital projects: using Google Forms and Sheets." *Library Hi Tech News*. https://doi.org/10.1108/LHTN-08-2017-0056. Peer-edited.
- Ciota, R., Rodrigues, E., & Engel, K. (January 2019). "Grinnell Science Project: Motivating First Year Students to Persist in Scientific Inquiry." In S. Steiner & M. Rigby (Eds.), *Effective*

- Library Instruction: Inspiring Student Motivation. Chicago, Illinois: ACRL Press. Peer-reviewed.
- Ciota, R. (November 2019). "Alumni Oral Histories: A Collaboration Between the Libraries and Development and Alumni Relations." *Collaborative Librarianship*, 11. Peer-reviewed.
- Knight, R.C., Rodrigues, E., & Ciota, R. (February 2020). "Facilitating Collaborative Metadata Creation for Faculty-initiated Digital Projects." *Journal of Library Metadata*.

 Peer-reviewed.
- Ciota, R. & Knight, R.C. (2020). "The Challenges Facing Library Technical Services: A Dialogue." In *Technical Services: Adapting to the Changing Environment*. West Lafayette, Indiana: Purdue University Press. Peer-reviewed.
- Ciota, R. & Barber, E. (2021). "A Pandemic at the Library: Lessons from COVID-19 About Technology Needs for Remote Working During a Crisis." In *Handbook of Research on Library Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic*. Hershey, Pennsylvania: IGI Global. Peer-reviewed.
- Ciota, R., Sturgeon, J., & Suskin, B. (2022). "From Boo Radley to *My Cousin Vinny*: Popular Film in Academic Law Libraries and Legal Education." In *Integrating Pop Culture into the Academic Library*. Lanham, Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield. Peer-edited.
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- Ciota, R. (2025). *A History of Black Students at the University of Colorado Law School, 1892 1968*, University of Colorado Law School, https://www.colorado.edu/law/highlighting-black-students-colorado-law-1896-1968.
- Ciota, R. (Fall 2025). "Uncovering What Was Always There: Black History at Colorado Law School." *Amicus Magazine*.

Creative

Ciota, R. (2010). "How to catch a knight." FLASHSHOT.

Ciota, R. (2013). "Red numbers on polar curtains." Catfish Creek.

Ciota, R. (2015). "Giraffes are sociable, peaceful creatures." Dirty Chai Magazine, (Issue 8).

Ciota, R. (2015, June 1). "Rhino Horn is Not Medicine." *Citron Review*. Retrieved from https://citronreview.com/2015/06/01/rhino-horn-is-not-medicine/

Ciota, R. (2016, Mar 8). "The Bat Woman." Words Apart Magazine.

Ciota, R. (2019, Nov 24). "Too Blessed To Be Stressed." *Turnpike Magazine*, (Issue 8).

Ganesh, R. (2025). The Bone Doll. Independently Published.

Code & Oueries

Ciota, R. (2024). Colorado Session Laws Search [Python Script]. https://github.com/ciotarebecca/digital-commons/blob/main/colorado-session-laws-search.py

- Ciota, R. (2024). Annual Report Total Circulation [SQL Query].

 https://github.com/culibraries/library-reporting/blob/develop/metadb/law_queries/annual_report_total_Circulation.sql
- Ciota, R. (2024). Course Reserve Loans [SQL Query].

 https://github.com/culibraries/library-reporting/blob/develop/metadb/law_queries/course_reserve_loans.sql
- Ciota, R. (2024). Gifts [SQL Query]. https://github.com/culibraries/library-reporting/blob/develop/metadb/law_queries/gifts.sq
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- Ciota, R. (2024). New eResources [SQL Query]. https://github.com/culibraries/library-reporting/blob/develop/metadb/law_queries/new_eresources.sql
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 https://github.com/culibraries/library-reporting/blob/develop/metadb/law_queries/risk_m

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- Ciota, R. (2024). Serials Claiming [SQL Query].

 https://github.com/culibraries/library-reporting/blob/develop/metadb/law_queries/serials_claiming.sql
- Ciota, R. (2025). Webscrape <u>Leg.Colorado.Gov</u> [Python Script]. https://github.com/ciotarebecca/digital-commons/blob/main/webscrape_leg.colorado.gov.py

Presentations

International

- Ciota, R. & Hardesty, E. "Video Streaming in Academic Libraries: Enabling Participation in a Democratic Society." BOBCATSSS 2016. Lyon, France. January 27-29, 2016. Poster Presentation.
- Ciota, R. "The Library Graduate Assistantship: A Crucial Supplement to an LIS Education." Association for Library and Information Science Educators, Atlanta, Georgia. January 17, 2017. Poster Presentation.
- Ciota, R. "A Pandemic at the Library: Lessons from COVID-19 About Technology Needs For Remote Working During a Crisis." Koc Universitesi Suna Kirac Library Virtual Poster Session, Istanbul, Turkey. June 10-12, 2020. Poster Presentation.
- Seney, L., Ciota, R., and Dell, M. "The Buds in the Bouquet: The Experiences of a Small, Special Library in a Shared Tenant LSP." WOLFcon 2024, London, September 26, 2024. Presentation.

National

- Knight, R.C., Rodrigues, E. & Ciota, R. "Setting a Course: Using Google Forms for Navigating Metadata for Digital Projects." Association of College and Research Libraries National Conference, 2017, Baltimore, MD. Refereed, 35% acceptance rate. March 23, 2017. Poster Session.
- Ciota, R. "The Digital Potential: Making Digital Objects More Than a TIFF image and a MODS Record." Electronic Resources & Libraries (ER&L) 2017. Austin, TX. April 2-5, 2017. Presentation.
- Knight, R.C. & Ciota. "Metadata for Digital Scholarship." American Library Association Midwinter: Role of the Professional Librarian in Technical Services 2018. February 10, 2018. Presentation.

- Ciota, R. & Knight, R.C. "Let's Talk about Collections and Space." American Library Association Midwinter: Association for Library Collections and Technical Services 2018. February 11, 2018. Presentation.
- Ciota, R., McFate, M., & Rodrigues, L. "Digital Oral Histories." Digital Library Federation 2018. October 16, 2018. Presentation.
- Ciota, R. "Using Primo Analytics to Understand Patron Search Strategies." ELUNA Annual Meeting 2020. May 7, 2020. Presentation. [Cancelled due to COVID-19]
- Lawless-Collins, A., Robble, J., Spraker, C., Chapel, J., Ciota, R., Abdullah, A., & Evans, S.A. "Beyond Scholarship: Innovative Institutional Repository Collections." AALL Annual Meeting 2021. July 20, 2021. Presentation.
- Ciota, R., Sturgeon, J., & Suskin, B. "Gangsters, Goons, and Gambini: Using Popular Culture Films to Teach Legal Research." Southwest Popular/American Culture Association Conference. February 26, 2022. Paper presentation.
- Abdullah, A., Ciota, R., & Suskins, B. "All Aboard! Your "First-Class" Seat to the Annotated Laws: the Implications of Georgia v. Public.Resources.Org." The Kraemer Copyright Conference 2023. June 13, 2023. Presentation.
- Ciota, R. & Wherren, A.K. "Are Body Parts Consideration: The Validity of Contracts in *An Unkindness of Magicians*." Southwest Popular/American Culture Association Summer Salon. June 20, 2024. Work in Progress Presentation.

Regional

- Ciota, R. "What We Wish We Knew Before We Migrated." SUNYLA Midwinter Virtual Conference. February 1, 2019. Presentation.
- Ciota, R. & Kalwara, J. "Law Technical Services Librarians as Teacher Librarians and Change Agents." NELLCO Symposium 2024. March 22, 2024. Presentation.
- Ciota, R. "Libraries as Entry Points to Justice." Colorado Library Consortium Virtual Winter Workshop 2025. February 6, 2025. Presentation.

Grants

Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust - Professional Development Grant, granted by Grinnell College, (June - December 2018).

Council on Library and Information Resources' Digitizing Hidden Special Collections and Archives, Finalist (March 2019).

Grinnell College Innovation Fund Grant, granted by Grinnell College (July 2020 - June 2021).

Professional Service

FOLIO Reporting & Business Intelligence Guild (January 2024 - Present) University of Colorado Boulder - Libraries

Technology Oversight Committee (August 2023 - Present) University of Colorado Law School

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and Public Service Committee (August 2022 - May 2024) University of Colorado Law School

Web Administrator (November 2020 - July 2024) Colorado Association of Law Librarians

FOLIO Reporting Pod (September 2022 - August 2023) University of Colorado Boulder - Libraries

FOLIO Discovery Pod (March 2021 - August 2023) University of Colorado Boulder - Libraries

ALL-SIS Local Arrangements Committee (November 2021 - July 2022) American Association of Law Librarians

Web Governance Committee (September 2017 - August 2020) Grinnell College

IACUC (June 2018 - August 2020) Grinnell College

Academic Conference: Co-organizer (January - October 2017)
2017 Iowa Library Association. Association of College and Research Libraries

Professional Development

California Rare Books School: History of the Book, 200-1820

Certificate of Completion, 2013

California Rare Books School: Rare Books for Scholars & Archivists Certificate of Completion, 2013

University of California Davis & Coursera: Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Specialization
Certificate of Completion, 2018

ACM Fostering Humanistic Tools for Digital Mapping 2019

Library Juice Academy: Legal Materials for Information Professionals Certificate of Completion, 2020