

James L. Van Roekel

Education:

Master of Library Science
Emporia State University
Emporia, Kansas

May 1998

Master of Arts, History
University of South Dakota
Vermillion, South Dakota

August 1996

Bachelor of Arts, History; Religion
Sioux Falls College
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

May 1993

Professional Experience:

Director of Student Service Technology
Sam Houston State University
Huntsville, Texas

February 2014-present

- Serve as a technology resource person for the Division of Student Services staff in all departments.
- Provide guidance and expertise to departmental directors in developing a wide range of technology-enhanced services to engage students in complement to their academic experience including local and distance learning-based approaches.
- Consult in the identification and evaluation of equipment and software for potential utilization within the Division, consult in the identification training needs and training courses for staff to assist them in incorporating appropriate technology in their services that may extend the University's education mission.

Associate Director, Lowman Student Center
Sam Houston State University
Huntsville, Texas

July 2011-February 2014

- Serve as Chief Technology Officer for department and Center. Implemented new \$230,000 multi-media technology upgrade.
- Oversee on-going departmental assessment. Create training materials for professional and student staff.
- Design promotional materials. Serve as department webmaster.
- Assist the Director in the preparation, presentation, and administration of the departmental budget.
- Coordinate assessment tasks as related to assigned departmental responsibilities. Conduct long and short-range planning.
- Develop and recommend policies and procedures.
- Produce publications such as technology guides and promotional materials.
- Develop and coordinate ongoing student leader training programs.

Assistant Director, Lowman Student Center
Sam Houston State University
Huntsville, Texas

December 2010-July 2011

- Assist the Director in the preparation, presentation, and administration of the departmental budget.
- Coordinate assessment tasks as related to assigned departmental responsibilities. Conduct long and short-range planning.
- Develop and recommend policies and procedures. Produce publications such as technology guides and promotional materials.
- Develop and coordinate ongoing student leader training programs.

Director of Academic Instructional Technology and Distance Learning
Sam Houston State University
Huntsville, Texas

January 2001-December 2010

- Lead and administer campus-wide distance learning efforts; including the development of 6 current online master degree programs with a 5-year increase of 1004%.
- Consulting and instruction of distance learning and classroom-based technologies for faculty and staff (i.e., web-based, classroom technologies, multi-media broadcasting, and the like).
- Provide leadership in campus and system policy making for faculty compensation, intellectual property, and costs relating to university distance learning activities.
- Participate in faculty development and continuing education activities.

Assistant Professor/Coordinator of Instructional Technology

Newton Gresham Library

Sam Houston State University

Huntsville, Texas

- **Coordinate campus-wide distance education efforts.**
- **Consulting and instruction of distance education and classroom-based technologies for library and on-campus faculty (i.e., web-based, classroom technologies, multi-media broadcasting, and the like).**
- **Reference Desk service involving assisting patrons in the identification, location, procurement and use of information sources, in digital, paper, and other formats.**
- **Collection development in technology and world history.**

Assistant Professor/Electronic Resources Librarian

July 1998-December 1999

University Libraries

Western Illinois University

Macomb, Illinois

- **Coordinate the Electronic Resources Unit activities including supervising unit staff, prioritizing unit activity, short and long-range budget and equipment planning, preparing reports and evaluations, implementing and interpreting library policies, and keeping statistics dealing with library technology and application.**
- **Consulting and instruction of technology for library faculty and staff on electronic resources including the online catalog, government and bibliographic CD-ROMS, software packages, and other technologies.**
- **Reference Desk service involving assisting patrons in the identification, location, procurement and use of information sources, in various formats, whether at WIU or in other libraries.**
- **Managed six full-time staff members.**

Graduate Teaching Assistant and Manager

August 1996 -May 1998

Information Technology Laboratory

School of Library and Information Management

Emporia State University

Emporia, Kansas

- **Responsible for training staff and instructing students, and faculty on the use of: imaging, word-processing, and digital multimedia presentation software and hardware, specifically digital video and audio CD-ROM and internet streaming creation; On-line Database searching: Dialog and FirstSearch Databases, Internet protocols including HyperText Transfer Protocol and World Wide Web authoring in individualized and classroom settings.**
- **Responsible for troubleshooting software and hardware problems in PC and Macintosh environments.**
- **Compiled and Presented Computer Telephony Interface Project for the School of Library and Information Management.**
- **Served on SLIM's Technology Advisory Committee.**
- **Managed four graduate teaching assistants as well as several volunteer graduate research assistants.**

Selected Publications

Van Roekel, James L. "Thoughtware: Keeping Your Thinking System Updated." *The Bulletin*. ACUI (December 2017).

Van Roekel, James L. "International Students' Use of Social Media within Social Constructs." *The Bulletin*. ACUI (January 2017).

Van Roekel, James L. "Audio Mixing 101: or, What the Heck are all of these Buttons For." *ACUI The Commons*. (February 2015).

Van Roekel, James L. "How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Jack's Leatherman." *ACUI The Commons*. (January 2015).

Van Roekel, James L. "Time to Check Your Tech." *ACUI The Commons*. (July 2014).

Van Roekel, James L. "A Model of Student Development within a Project." *ACUI The Commons*. (January 2014).

Van Roekel, James L. "Play at Work: Let Them Improvise." *ACUI The Commons*. (August 2013).

Van Roekel, James L. "Using Technology for Orientation Programs." *ACUI The Commons*. (July 2013).

Van Roekel, James L. Mary Ann Bell, Holly Weimar. (2013) *School Librarians and the Technology Department*. Linworth Press.

Van Roekel, James L. "Beyond Daily Set-Up: Professional and student staff collaborate on technology upgrade." *The Bulletin*. ACUI (July 2012).

Van Roekel, James L. Mary Ann Bell, Bobby Ezell. (2007). *Cybersins and Electronic Good Deeds: A Book About Information Ethics*. Haworth Press.

Van Roekel, James L. "Translating Geek Speak and Exploring Tech Trends." *LMC: Library Media Connection* (May 2006).

Van Roekel, James L. Contributor. (2006). *The Routledge Guide to Music Technology*, edited by Thom Holmes. Routledge.

Van Roekel, James L. "Review of: Stephen Northcutt. (2004). *IT Ethics Handbook: Right and Wrong for IT Professionals*. Rockland, MA: Syngress Publishing, Inc. *Technology Electronic Reviews*. 12:2 (May 2005).

- Van Roekel, James L., "Van Halen" in Frank Hoffmann (ed.) (2004) Encyclopedia of Recorded Sound. 2d ed. Routledge: Taylor & Francis Group.
- Van Roekel, James L., Mary Ann Bell, Mary Berry (2004). *Internet and Personal Computing Fads*. Haworth Press.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Review of: Digital Creativity: Techniques for Digital Media and the Internet, by Bruce Wands." *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology*. 54:4 (2003).
- Jerabek, J. Ann, Lynn M. McMain, and James L. Van Roekel. "Using Needs Assessment to Determine Library Services for Distance Learning Programs." *Journal of Interlibrary Loan, Document Delivery & Information Supply*. 12:4 (2002).
- Van Roekel, James L. "Knowledge Management and Information Technology: Educating Users from Assessment to Implementation." *Perspectives in Higher Education Reform*. 11 (October 2002).
- Van Roekel, James L. "Review of: Thomas E. Stern and Krishna Bala. (1999). Multiwavelength Optical Networks: A Layered Approach. *Technology Electronic Reviews*. 9:3 (July 2002).
- Van Roekel, James L. "Electronic Texts in Distance Learning and Web-based Courses: a Definition of Electronic Books and Ideas for Utilization." *Communication Across the Curriculum*. 21 (Spring 2002).
- Van Roekel, James L. "Review of: Abbey, Beverly (Ed.). (2000). Instructional and Cognitive Impacts of Web-Based Education." *Technology Electronic Reviews*. 8:4 (September 2001).
- Van Roekel, James L. "Review of: Dejan Milojicic, Frederick Douglass, and Richard Wheeler (Eds.). (1999). Mobility: Processes, Computers, and Agents." *Technology Electronic Reviews*. 8:2 (June 2001).
- Van Roekel, James L. "Electronic Books: Portable Access to Digital Information" in Achleitner, H and A. Dimchev (Eds.) *Libraries in the Age of the Internet* (2000), Emporia State University.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Multimedia Technologies and Distance Learning: Global Conversations for Librarians." *Perspectives in Higher Education Reform*. 9 (October 1999).
- Van Roekel, James L. "Review of: Rudi Bekkers and Jan Smits. Mobile Telecommunications: Standards, Regulation, and Applications." *Telecommunications Electronic Reviews*. 6:7 (September 1999).

Selected Presentations

- Van Roekel, James L. "Virtual Student Center" presented at the Division of Student Affairs Staff Development November 2017.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Technology Community of Practice" presented at ACUI's 2017 National Conference.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Magical Media Tour." James Van Roekel's portion of an invited presentation at the Project LEAD: Workshop for Professional Librarians, The Woodlands, TX, July 15, 2003.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Tech@Sam: Satellites, the Internet, and more." An invited keynote presentation at the 23rd Annual RTV (Radio and Television) Leadership Conference, Huntsville, TX, February 28, 2003.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Web-based Digital Video: an Introduction for Distance Learning Librarians." James Van Roekel's portion of an invited presentation at the Project LEAD: Workshop for Professional Librarians, The Woodlands, TX, July 23, 2002.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Introduction to Streaming Video." Part IV of an invited lecture series for the Across-the-University Writing Program. Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX, September 24, October 8, October 15, 2001.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Preparing for Online Courses." Part III of an invited lecture series for the Across-the-University Writing Program. Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX, July 25, 2001.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Using Technology in the Classroom." Part II of an invited lecture series for the Across-the-University Writing Program. Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX, March 8, 2001.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Electronic Books: Portable Access to Digital Information" paper presented at the Sophia 2000: Libraries in the Age of the Internet Conference, Sophia, Bulgaria, November 8-10, 2000.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Knowledge Management and Information Technology: Educating Users from Assessment to Implementation" paper presented at the Alliance of Universities for Democracy Conference, Sophia, Bulgaria, November 5-8, 2000.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Using Technology in the Classroom." Part I of an invited lecture series for the Across-the-University Writing Program. Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX, October 11, 2000.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Instructional Technology@Sam: An Overview." Invited presentation at the Seventh Annual Conference Linguistically and Culturally Diverse Populations: Technology-Odyssey into the Classroom," Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX, September 23, 2000.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Electronic Books: Fad or Future." James Van Roekel's portion of a panel discussion sponsored by the Illinois Library Association, presented at the 1999 Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, October 19, 1999.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Internet Streaming Video: A Digital Multimedia Experiment." Poster session presented at the Illinois Library Association 1999 Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, October 18, 1999.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Managing the Library Computer Network." James Van Roekel's portion of a panel discussion sponsored by the Illinois Library Association, presented at the 1999 Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, October 18, 1999.

- Van Roekel, James L. "Multimedia Technologies and Distance Learning: Global Conversations for Librarians" paper presented at the Alliance of Universities for Democracy Conference, Nitra, Slovakia, November 8-11, 1998.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Conversations from Warsaw: A Digital Documentary." Poster session presented at the Research and Creativity Forum, Emporia State University, April 8, 1998.
- Van Roekel, James L. "Beyond Surfaces, or Having Fun with Hardware." Invited presentation at the Eastern Kansas Technology Conference, March 13-14, 1997.

Awards

- SHSU E-sports Foster Award, Presented to a faculty or staff member in recognition of encouragement and support above and beyond the call of duty, April 2017
- Vice President's Bearkat Spirit Award, For working beyond his office bringing recognition to the division and the university. This award was determined by Mr. Frank Parker, Vice President for Student Services, December 2013
- Projector Director, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Grant partner with Lonestar College, \$75,000.00
Awarded Fall 2009
- Sammy Award, in recognition of contributions "above and beyond the call of duty" to the quality of university life and campus service from the Division of Student Services, 2004
- Project Director, Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Higher Education 4 Grant, \$301,400.00
Awarded August 30, 2002
- Project Director, Texas Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Higher Education 3 Grant, \$362,636.00
Awarded August 31, 2001
- Certificate of Recognition, For outstanding graduate work in history, University of South Dakota History Department, May 1995
- Purple Feather Award, For excellence in academics, service, and leadership, University of Sioux Falls, May 1993

Associations

- Association of College Unions International
3-time Regional Leadership Committee member
Technology Community of Practice Leader
Continuing Contributor, The Bulletin
- AVIXA (formerly Infocomm)
- EDUCAUSE
- TACUSPA